

EXECUTIVE MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
February 10, 1958

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. Those present: Councilmen Forehand, Forshee, Kozel, McKenzie, Sidell and Councilwoman Monitor. Absent: Councilman Collison.

Councilman McKenzie moved that the minutes of January 27th, 1958, be accepted as correct. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

The financial statement for the month of January was read as follows:

Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-General Fund		Suburban Trust Company - General Fund	
Bank Balance 12-31-57	25095.10	Bank Balance 12-31-57	38486.90
January 1958-Receipts	18067.55	January 1958-Receipts	310.05
	<u>43162.65</u>		<u>38796.95</u>
Transferred from Sub.Tr.Co.	35000.00	Transferred to Citizens Bk.	35000.00
	<u>78162.65</u>	Bank Balance 1-31-58	<u>3796.95</u>
January 1958-Disbursements	58709.99		
Bank Balance 1-31-58	<u>19452.66</u>		

Special Improvement Account - Citizens Bank of Takoma Park		
Bank Balance 12-31-57		15787.48
Receipts - Jan. 1958		<u>4865.56*</u>
Bank Balance 1-31-58		<u>20653.04</u>

* \$2730.72 of above amount represents transfer of funds from General Account to Special Improvement Account. For complete statement see pages 236 & 237.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM:

1. Herbert J. Bingham, Exec.-Sec'y., Tennessee Municipal League, Municipal League Technical Advisory Committee Survey Trip. Referred to Council Files.
2. John A. Derr, Mayor, City of Frederick, Md., Municipal League Technical Advisory Committee Survey Trip. Referred to Council Files.
3. Morris G. Sahr, 7620 Maple Avenue, City, Appreciation for prompt action concerning Niagara & Ritchie Avenues hazardous condition. Referred to Council Files.
4. William B. McKinney, Clerk County Council & Ass't. to County Mgr., Montgomery County, Regarding request for support of renovation and modernization of Takoma Park Elementary School. Referred to Council Files.
5. Edwin S. Turner, President, Takoma Park Elementary PTA, Appreciation for support of renovation and modernization of Takoma Park Elementary School. Referred to Council Files.
6. Karl A. Lundberg, 8212 Houston Court, City, Request for directional signs and a street light, Houston Court Area. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
7. Lloyd C. McClellan, President, C.A.V.F.D., Request for portion of Special Fire Tax Collections in 17th Chillum District. Referred to the Finance Committee.
8. Jack I. Resnicoff, Vice-Pres., Religious & Education Services, Invitation to attend "Brotherhood Week" Service. Referred to Council Files. Mayor Miller stated that the Public is very welcome at this service, and that the world is very much in need of Brotherhood.

9. R. E. MacDonald, Chairman, House Committee, Board of Trustees, Takoma Park Presbyterian Church, The erection of church signs. Referred to Law and Ordinance and Public Safety Committees.

10. Mrs. Etta Mae Davis, Secretary, Community League, Route 240 Locations. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Sidell reported on the request for an opinion on the zoning of rest home 207 Hudson Avenue, that no action would be taken until official application has been received from the County, because it is a policy of the Mayor and Council not to make a decision on such matters prior to receipt of the official petition; also that Item 2 under Matters Pending - Complaint of loss of ten cent store & Laurel Avenue Shopping Center conditions can be deleted from the agenda.

2. Councilman Sidell reported that concerning the request by the Sligo Temperance Society for a bridge on Long Branch Creek Parkway, that same letter sent to Park and Planning should be sent to the Montgomery County Council; also that the request for change of street name to "Linden Circle", has to be negotiated through the MNCP&PC, which has been done.

3. Councilman Sidell reported on the request for asphalt walkway - Takoma Park Junior High School PTA - It is the opinion of the Committee that Mr. Remsen should prepare an estimate as to the cost of a blacktop sidewalk in the area of properties involved, and that a letter should be written to the property owners, as it has not been the policy of the Council to install blacktop sidewalks in front of improved properties, however, the owners involved could request this be done. Councilman McKenzie was in agreement that the property owners be contacted.

Mr. Edwin S. Turner, Pres., of the PTA, stated his opinion on the above, he being a resident in the area, that he is quite sure the owners would be against the placing of a blacktop sidewalk on their properties.

Councilman Sidell moved that a letter be sent to the PTA explaining the situation, however, that no letter be sent to the property owners as yet, by the City, however, the PTA could initiate the project by contacting the owners of the properties involved. Upon being seconded by Councilman Forshee, and put to question, the motion was carried.

4. Councilman Sidell reported on the Appeal of Mrs. Lillian I. Ralls, to the County Board of Appeals, to permit an increase of patients in her nursing home at 7420 Maple Avenue, from 10 to 12 - the committee does not approve this request as it would mean a complete change of the zoning ordinance governing nursing homes. The hearing before the Board of Appeals will be on February 13th, therefore, Councilman Sidell moved that Mr. Pridgen, Clerk-Treasurer, be authorized to attend this hearing, and explain the Council's views in opposing this request. Upon being seconded by Councilman McKenzie, and put to question, the motion was carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Councilman Sidell reported in the absence of Councilman Collison:

1. Councilman Sidell stated that the storm drainage, Block 85, South of Philadelphia Ave., Cedar to Park Aves., is being constructed by W.S.S.C. at no cost to the City; that Item 2 request for asphalt walkway-Takoma Park Junior High School PTA and Item 5 long-leaf pine trees- infected by fungus growth, be removed from the Public Works Committee as reports have been or will be reported on under other committees.

2. Councilman Sidell moved that a Public Hearing be held on the request for paving of street in front of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5, Block 8, and Lots 1, 2, 3, Block 7, N. H. Avenue Highlands Subdivision, on February 20th, at 8 p.m., #8 Columbia Avenue. Also that Mr. Remsen will have an approximate set of figures as to cost of the paving project. Upon being seconded by Councilman Forehand, and put to question, the motion was carried. The date for this Hearing was cancelled subsequent to the Council Meeting.

3. Councilman Sidell requested that Mr. Remsen bring the bids up to date for the fencing of parking area opposite #8 Columbia so that action might be taken on the matter.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forehand moved that the parking meters of the City be turned over to Lt. Bell of the Police Department for immediate maintenance, at a flat salary of \$60.00 per month. Also that \$80.00 be paid in back salary. Seconded by Councilman Sidell.

Councilman Kozel moved that the above motion be amended in that the \$80.00 be held in abeyance until a study can be made. Seconded by Councilman Forshee.

After considerable discussion concerning the above, also in regard to collection of the parking meter monies, as it was the opinion of some members of the Council, that the above should include collection too. Therefore, Mayor Miller suggested that the above motion as amended be tabled, and the following motion submitted in its place:

Councilman Forehand moved that the meter service and maintenance and collection be turned over to Lt. Bell of the Police Department, at a salary of \$60.00, for immediate servicing, and the \$80.00 back pay item be brought up in two weeks for recommendation. Seconded by Councilman Forshee.

Councilman Sidell moved that the "collection" part of the above motion be deleted. Seconded by Councilwoman Monitor. Upon being put to question, the motion as amended was voted as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Kozel and Sidell and Councilwoman Monitor. Nays: Councilmen Forshee, Forehand and McKenzie. The vote being a tie, Mayor Miller cast his vote as Yea.

Mr. Remsen, Director of Public Works stated that when his department was in charge of repair of parking meters, that as much as four hours has been spent a week on repair of the meters. After considerable discussion, it was the opinion of all that the above salary was well in line with the work to be done. With further reference to the collections, it was stated that this part of the parking meter work will be left up to the discretion of the Police Department.

2. Councilman Forehand moved that the City purchase 26 new parking meters, list price \$62.00, with trade-in value of \$12.50 on old meters. However, it was decided that this purchase be held up until Lt. Bell has taken over the repair of the present meters, in order to determine the actual need for new ones.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilwoman Monitor reported that she plans to attend the 7th Annual Governor's Conference on Recreation & Parks, and that she would like to have Mrs. Alice Myers attend with her. There is \$155.00 in the proper Budget account to cover the expense, however, that the entire amount would not be needed. Councilman Forshee moved that the ladies be authorized to attend the Conference. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

2. Councilwoman Monitor reported that there would be a future report on the Summer Playground Program.

3. Councilwoman Monitor reported that a representative of the State Forestry Division on trees, has investigated the long-leaf pines infected by a fungus growth, known as pine bark afid, and suggested that the trees be washed down by the fire department hoses, after which they should be sprayed by a tree spraying expert. Councilwoman Monitor moved that the above be done in order to save the trees, also that Budget A/C #19.302A contained enough money to take care of the job. Upon being seconded by Councilman McKenzie, and put to question, the motion was carried. Councilwoman Monitor mentioned that the Bartlett Tree Expert Company had written the City on tree spraying, therefore, they will be given consideration. Fire Chief Carter stated that it would be just as well to attach the fire hose on a hydrant as the fire engines are not designed for this type function, also that should the truck pumper be used, there is a chemical that mixes with the water, that might be dangerous to the trees. The situation will be studied.
4. Councilwoman Monitor reported that Captain Cissel of the Police Department is in need of a dark room for police work, therefore, moved that the room, on the second floor of #8 Sherman, formerly used as a kitchen, be used for this purpose. Upon being seconded by Councilman McKenzie, and put to question, the motion was carried. Councilwoman Monitor further stated that the gear for Civil Defense had never been removed from its present location to the room provided for it some time ago; also that there was need for space to store bicycles taken into police custody. Councilwoman Monitor requested that Mr. Remsen, Capt. Cissel, Councilman Sidell meet with her at the gymnasium on Saturday morning to discuss possibility of storage places for the above mentioned equipment. Mr. Gair, Civil Defense Director is to be notified concerning the gear stored at the gym, also of the scheduled meeting, should he like to meet with the committee.
5. Councilwoman Monitor moved that permission be granted to the Montgomery County Board of Elections, to use the Fire Department Building for the Primary Election on May 20th, 1958, and that the Clerk-Treasurer take care of the proper notification. Upon being seconded by Councilman McKenzie, and put to question, the motion was carried.
6. Councilwoman Monitor reported that a meeting had been held with Lee Jordan, and Mr. Remsen to determine the proper building for a recreation site for his group, and it was decided that Mr. Remsen draw up plans for a building and submit the estimate to the Council. The building would be of a simple cinder block structure, and fire proof.
7. There will be a meeting on February 11th, at the Library of the "Founder's Day" Committee on the 75th anniversary of the City.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee moved that the bills for the month of January be approved in the amount of \$58,709.99. Upon being seconded by Councilman Kozel, and put to question, the motion was carried.
2. Councilman Forshee announced that Budget Statements have been sent out to all departments, and that the Committee would like to have them back by March 5th.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Kozel moved that Zoning Amendment Petition B-629, Alger Y. Barbee, Attorney for the Estate of Katherine C. King, Lots 5, 6, 7, Section 1 of Carroll's Subdivision, R-60 to R-20 Zone be approved. Upon being seconded by Councilman Sidell, and put to question, the motion was carried. Councilman Sidell stated that originally, the Council had decided to hold in abeyance all zoning change requests, until the new zoning map for the city is ready, however, the map is taking longer than expected, and there seems no need to hold up some requests, especially where the majority of the area is zoned in accordance.

2. Councilman Kozel moved that Zoning Amendment Petition B-602, Roger R. Milam, Applicant, Lot 26, Block 54, B.F.G., Subdivision, R-60 to R-20 Zone be approved. Upon being seconded by Councilmen Forshee and Forehand, and put to question, the motion was carried.

3. Councilman Kozel reported on the off-street parking in the case of Takoma Motor Company, in that, he thought the County should be notified of the action taken in the laying of a sidewalk and curb. Mayor Miller stated that the City was concerned mainly with the liability to the City in the above, therefore, in view of information submitted by the Corporation Counsel, that the matter be studied more thoroughly.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman McKenzie reported on the request for abandonment of Brashears Ave., - North Takoma Park, Md.; The committee's opinion is that Brashears Ave., should not be abandoned, but remain City property, as the parcel contains a storm sewer. There was also discussion on abandoning the property and then offering it to the two owners on either side, thus enabling the City to obtain taxes; it was then decided that the property not be abandoned, however, that the request be granted to build a driveway, to which the property owner would never hold a title. This was seconded by Councilwoman Monitor. After considerable controversy, it was decided to withdraw the above motion and study the matter further.

2. Councilman McKenzie stated that the recommendations concerning City Elections by the North Takoma Citizens Association, also the Community League's resolution concerning the City Charter, would require considerable study and will be reported on in the future.

3. Councilman McKenzie reported on the request by the House Committee, Board of Trustees, Takoma Park Presbyterian Church and moved to grant permission to erect church signs within the City, also that the Public Works Department and the Public Safety Committee be consulted in their placement. Upon being seconded by Councilman Forshee, and put to question, the motion was carried.

4. Councilman McKenzie requested that the Ordinance concerning the removal of snow from private properties be supplied to the residents of the City, and that the mimeographed copies be distributed by the trash collectors for the City.

5. Councilman McKenzie moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1481

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

Section 1. THAT due to the increase in number of cases handled by the Justice of the Peace in Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties respectively;

Section 2. AND THAT due to the ratio of cases handled being 2 to 1 in Montgomery County, the following increases in annual salaries are approved:

- (1) Montgomery County Justice of the Peace - \$400 thus increasing salary to \$1200 annually.
- (2) Prince Georges County Justice of the Peace - \$200 thus increasing salary to \$600 annually.

Section 3. AND FURTHER THAT the above increases become effective, retroactive to February 1st, 1958.

Upon being seconded by Councilman Forehand, and put to question, the above Ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Forshee, Forehand, Kozel, Sidell, McKenzie and Councilwoman Monitor. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Collison. Councilman McKenzie reported that he was aware that the Prince Georges Justice of the Peace refuses to collect collateral after midnight, however, that he had been informed by the Corporation Counsel that this refusal is legal.

6. Councilman McKenzie reported that the City Fire Board had returned their suggested addition to the disciplinary section of the Merit Plan involving the Fire Department, for the codification. The City Fire Board approved the changes made by the committee.

Councilman Kozel reported that the sign-Langley Park-N. H. Avenue-South of Emory's Barbecue has been removed, also that Mr. Remsen has acknowledged the removal by a letter to the State Roads Commission, even though it is not known who removed the sign.

Director Remsen reported that the rear springs of Sanitation Trucks 10, 11 & 12 are in need of repair, and that if the Council approved they would have the work done which would amount to approximately \$215.00. There is money in the Budget to cover this expense, therefore, the work will be done. Director Remsen also reported that the request for directional signs in the Houston Court Area have been taken care of.

Mayor Miller stated that Councilman Forshee has been appointed on the Board of Trustees for the Takoma Park-Maryland Library Association, Inc.

Mr. Ferry, Buildings Inspector for the City reported that 92½% of the Apartment Registrations have been collected.

Fire Chief Carter stated that he is looking forward to his trip to Memphis, Tenn., to attend the 30th Annual Fire Department Instruction Course.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

George M. Miller

Mayor

Haynes M. Bridger

Clerk-Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
February 24, 1958

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Those present: Councilmen Collison, Forehand, Forshee, Kozel, McKenzie, Sidell and Councilwoman Monitor.

The Invocation was given by Rev. Wm. L. Montgomery of the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church.

Councilman McKenzie moved that the minutes of February 10th, 1958, be accepted as correct. Upon being seconded by Councilman Collison, and put to question, the motion was carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM:

1. Robert W. Hamilton, Recording Secretary, Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., honorable mention in a national NFPA Bulletin. Referred to Council Files.
2. Robert W. Hamilton, Recording Secretary, Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., letter of appreciation for Christmas Candy. Referred to Council Files.
3. T. M. Woodall, Manor Apartments, Inc., City, alleged injury - Mrs. Essie Weakley, 7515 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park. Referred to Public Safety and Public Welfare Committees.
4. L. E. McCarl, District Engineer, State Roads Commission, Laurel, Md., Route 193, Four Corners to Prince George's County Line. Referred to Public Works Committee.
5. Margaret G. Comulada, 407 Boston Avenue, City, request for street sign on Boston Avenue where it intersects with Philadelphia Avenue. Referred to Public Works Committee.
6. Ivy H. Morrison, 7218 Maple Avenue, City, request for Special Hearing. Referred to Public Welfare Committee.
7. Karl A. Lundberg 8212 Houston Court, City, letter of appreciation on prompt action in installing directional signs for Houston Court. Referred to Council Files, with copy to Public Works.
8. Newton F. Butts, Budget Officer, Montgomery County, Md., Fire Tax Rate - Special Fire Tax Area, 22nd Precinct. Referred to Finance Committee.
9. Lloyd C. McClellan, President, Chillum-Adelphi Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., letter of appreciation for check of portion of 1957 Fire Tax of Pinecrest Section of 17th Election District. Referred to Council Files.
10. Ellery Denison, 7207 - 13th Place, City, remains of unsightly Texaco service station. Referred to Civic Improvements & Law and Ordinances Committees, also Deputy Chief LaScola.
11. Eric Fischer, 301 Philadelphia Ave., City, appreciation for trash removal during snow emergency. Mayor Miller directed that this letter be discussed with Mr. Remsen and further action taken.
12. The Clerk-Treasurer informed the Mayor and Council that the second and third issue of Legislative Bulletins had been received from the Maryland Municipal League, and that copies had been sent to the Mayor and Council, also Corporation Counsel Gingerich.

13. The Clerk-Treasurer reported that a notice had been received from Montgomery County Board of Appeals on Case No. 596, Bowden & Bainum, wherein the permission had been granted to use the abandoned school building on Geneva Avenue for a child care home, and that he understood that the building was destroyed by fire at the time the appeal was granted.

OPEN MEETING:

Mayor Miller expressed his sincere appreciation to the employees of the City, including the Public Works, Fire Department, Police Department and the City Office, for the faithful services rendered during the snow emergency. The efforts of all were very much appreciated by everyone.

Mayor Miller spoke to the Members of Council, Press and Citizens present, concerning Mr. J. Bond Smith, who is retiring from the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and moved the adoption of a Resolution to be presented to Mr. Smith. Upon being seconded by Councilwoman Monitor, and put to question, the Resolution was adopted as follows:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Mr. J. Bond Smith, is a life-long resident and Civic Leader of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland;

AND WHEREAS, Mr. J. Bond Smith served the City of Takoma Park, as Corporation Counsel from May 6th, 1918 to May 1st, 1922, with wisdom and faithfulness;

AND WHEREAS, Mr. J. Bond Smith in his capacity as General Counsel for the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, served the Metropolitan Area of Maryland with untiring effort and on numerous occasions displayed particular interest and assistance in the solution of many planning and zoning problems of the City of Takoma Park;

AND WHEREAS, Mr. J. Bond Smith having announced his retirement from Governmental service, effective January 31st, 1958;

THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, do hereby adopt this Resolution in recognition of the devotion to duty of a faithful public servant and especial friend to the City of Takoma Park;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and City Council wish for Mr. J. Bond Smith many, many future years of enjoyable retirement from Public Service.

Signed and Sealed this 24th day of February in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty Eight.

/s/ George M. Miller, Mayor
 City of Takoma Park, Maryland
 Robert W. Collison, Councilman
 Oscar J. Forehand, Councilman
 Clayton D. Forshee, Councilman
 John F. Kozel, Councilman
 Gibson E. McKenzie, Councilman
 Emily P. Monitor, Councilwoman
 Ralph F. Sidell, Councilman

Mayor Miller presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Rev. David Watterworth, of the Takoma Park Christian Church, thus making him an Honorary Citizen of the City of Takoma Park. Rev. Watterworth thanked the Mayor for the honor bestowed upon him.

Mr. Walter B. McClenon, 7211 Cedar Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council, bringing to their attention the Community League's resolution of January 10th, requesting that the City Charter be amended in Sec. 1427(b) - thereby reducing the 10% reserve to 5%.

Mr. C. Douglas Lampe, 517 Elm Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council, asking if any thought had been given to the tie-up of telephone lines during the snow emergency, in the event of fire. Mr. Lampe suggested the City consider putting a Fire Alarm System. Mayor Miller referred Mr. Lampe's suggestion to the Public Safety Committee.

Deputy Chief LaScola stated that he had contacted the local radio station and had them make a periodic announcement to the citizens to place their garden hoses on outside water faucets, so that should a fire occur, and they not be able to reach the fire department immediately, that it might be of some help.

There was considerable discussion on the advisability of the above, also that the expense would be quite large. The matter will be considered further.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman McKenzie stated that the Committee is studying the Resolution submitted by the Community League, with reference to the City Charter.
2. Councilman McKenzie stated that he had been informed by the Corporation Counsel that the City should not abandon Brashears Avenue, therefore, he so moved. Upon being seconded by Councilman Collison, and put to question, the motion was carried. The property owners adjacent will be permitted to use area for parking and for planting purposes.
3. Councilman McKenzie stated that the Sidewalk - Takoma Motor Company can be removed from his Committee.
4. Councilman McKenzie reported that there were many violations to the City Snow Ordinance, and that about 1/4 of the sidewalks in the City were not cleared during the emergency. He further requested that the snow ordinance be sent out before the next Fall Season begins, and that the City should definitely enforce the Ordinance, in the future.

Corporation Counsel Gingerich stated that the City can enforce the snow ordinance, thus making property owners responsible for the City sidewalks, in front of their properties.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Sidell reported that he and Mr. Remsen had investigated the area near Manor Apartments, as to the water freezing on the sidewalk, and believed that they had visited at the right time, as the ice had thawed and the water was running, however, when traced to source, the origin was an adjacent lot, the water rising from either a natural spring or a broken water pipe which was not definitely determined.
2. Councilman Sidell also reported that he had been advised by Mr. Remsen that he will submit prices for a fence on lot across from #8 Columbia in the near future; also that a communication has been received from PEPCO concerning the Sligo Temperance Society request for placement of signs, however, there are a few details to be cleared up before a decision is reached; Councilman Sidell also commented on the Fire Alarm Boxes previously discussed, that previous consideration had been given to the placement of one in the area of the banks on Carroll Avenue.

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Haynes M. Pridgen
City Clerk, Treasurer.

Original Loges # 231 + # 232
Revised by Micrograph Machine
Haynes M. Pidgeon
City Clerk - Treasurer

3. Councilman Sidell moved that a Special Hearing be granted to Mrs. Ivy Morrison on March 17th, at 8 p.m., #8 Columbia Avenue. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried. Mrs. Morrison will be notified.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilwoman Monitor reported that the Bartlett Tree Expert Company has been contacted concerning the long-leaf pines to be sprayed on Takoma Avenue, also the two pines in front of the Library, and that work will be begun on them in May, and that it will take two sprayings to complete the job.
2. Councilwoman Monitor reported that Prince George's County will sponsor a workshop on recreation in March, and that anyone interested in the course should contact the Recreation Department in Riverdale, Maryland.
3. Councilwoman Monitor reported that the "Founder's Day" Committee will hold another meeting on February 25th. Mr. Edwin S. Turner has accepted the Chairmanship for the program and Councilwoman Monitor is Co-Chairman.
4. Councilwoman Monitor commented on a luncheon she had attended with members of the Health Center, at the home of Mrs. Etta Mae Davis. Dr. Peebles, Medical Director for Montgomery County, and Montgomery County Councilwoman Stella B. Werner were there, Dr. Peebles being the speaker. Dr. Peebles expressed sincere thanks to the City for providing the Health and Welfare Center at #8 Sherman Avenue, and that a considerable amount of work has been carried on since it was opened. Also that a survey is being made in the County as to the communicable diseases, and that the report will be ready by end of summer. Councilwoman Monitor further stated that Mayor Miller had made such an impressive speech during the luncheon at Montgomery Junior College recently, that Councilwoman Stella B. Werner is going to make a special trip to investigate the conditions at the Takoma Park Elementary School.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forehand stated that the request for street light - Houston Court Area is under study by Mr. Remsen along with other illumination projects for the City; also that the Social Security Act Amendment for Police & Firemen can be removed from the Public Safety Committee, as it is being handled by the Finance Committee; also that the Public Welfare Committee is handling the Sligo Temperance Society Safety Program.
2. Councilman Forehand upon the recommendation of Chief of Police Samuel A. Foster, moved that Edward J. Campana be appointed as Private to the Takoma Park Police Department, effective March 1, 1958, for a six-months probationary period, at the salary of \$3,800 per annum, under the Merit Plan. Upon being seconded by Councilman Collison, and put to question, the motion was carried.
3. Councilman Forehand reported that Chief Foster will attend the FBI School at Quantico, Va., to begin on March 17th, for a period of 14 weeks.
4. Councilman Forehand moved that the City sponsor the Girls and Boys School Safety Patrol Dinner, to be held in March, at the gymnasium, not to exceed \$250.00. Upon being seconded by Councilwoman Monitor, and put to question, the motion was carried.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Kozel moved that the Mayor and Council take no stand at this time on the Community League's suggestions on the Route 240 location. The motion was seconded by Councilman Forehand. However, after considerable discussion, it is the opinion of the Council that a vote should not be taken at this time, therefore the above motion was withdrawn. A more definite stand will be taken at such time as all the important facts are available concerning Route 240.

2. Councilman Kozel stated that the problems created by growth and expansion of District of Columbia & Metropolitan Area can be removed from the Agenda as it is being handled by the Bible Committee; also that he had received further information concerning the affiliation with a Foreign City, and has forwarded the information to the Women's Club of Takoma Park.

3. Councilman Kozel stated that due to a telephone call, and after investigation by Mr. Remsen, it seems that trees are being removed from the lot owned by the Temple Corporation adjacent to their building now being used as a Masonic Lodge, in order to enlarge their parking area. Councilman Kozel moved that the Clerk-Treasurer write to Mr. Nusbaum, that the City expects them to apply for a special exception if they plan to use the property for a parking lot. Councilman Kozel reported that the property is also being used for rental purposes and instructed the Clerk-Treasurer to ascertain from County authorities if this use is proper, since some of the property is tax exempt. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the above motion was carried.

4. Councilman Kozel brought to attention that Senate Bill 13, Maryland Port Authority Bill, and Senate Bill 117, proposed deduction of $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ administrative charge from Income Tax Money, as stated in Legislative Bulletins received from the Maryland Municipal League, are due to be acted upon soon by the General Assembly in Annapolis; therefore, moved that the Clerk-Treasurer write the State Senators and Members of the House of Delegates, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Takoma Park oppose the passage of these Bills, in an attempt to cause their defeat. Upon being seconded by Councilman Collison, and put to question, the motion was carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Collison reported that as soon as the weather permits, further consideration will be given to paving Glenside Drive, and a date set for a Public Hearing.

2. Councilman Collison reported that there would be a definite answer by next Council Meeting on the request of Mr. Painter of 710 Devonshire Road, concerning drainage on his property.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee reported on a letter received from Montgomery County requesting the Fire Tax Rate for the 22nd Precinct, and moved that the Special Fire Tax Rate remain at 12¢ per hundred assessed valuation, the same as for several years past. Upon being seconded by Councilwoman Monitor, and put to question, the motion was carried.

2. Councilman Forshee discussed the HR8755 Social Security Amendment providing coverage for Police & Firemen. It was decided that a survey be made of all City Employees to ascertain their attitude concerning Social Security.

Councilman Sidell moved that \$80.00 back pay for parking meter maintenance and collections due Lt. Bell be paid. Upon being seconded by Councilman Forehand, and put to question, the motion was carried with a vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forehand, McKenzie, Sidell and Councilwoman Monitor. Councilmen Forshee and Kozel passed.

Councilman Forehand moved the adoption of an Ordinance to purchase 26 parking meters for the City, at a cost of \$1,274.00. Upon being seconded by Councilman Sidell, and after considerable discussion the following vote was taken: Yeas: Councilmen Forehand and Sidell. Nays: Councilmen Forshee, Collison, McKenzie, Kozel & Councilwoman Monitor. The Ordinance was defeated.

Councilman Forehand then moved the adoption of the following Ordinance which was voted on unanimously:

ORDINANCE NO. 1482

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

Section 1. THAT the City Clerk and Treasurer is hereby authorized to purchase 15 Autom-A-Ton Automatic Parking Meters from the Koontz Equipment Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa., at a net cost of \$49.00 each, price includes a trade-in allowance of \$12.50 per meter.

Section 2. AND THAT the sum of SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$735.00) for the purchase of meters as stipulated in Section 1 of this Ordinance, be transferred from the Reserve Fund.

Upon being seconded by Councilman Sidell, and put to question, the above Ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Forehand, Kozel, McKenzie, Sidell and Councilwoman Monitor. Nays: None.

Mr. Remsen, Director of Public Works, reported that twelve of his men were on duty from Saturday night until Wednesday of this past week, working untiringly to correct the conditions created by the heavy snow. Also that the City was the first in the area to start trash collections.

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

George M. Miller
Mayor

Haynes M. Pridgen
Clerk-Treasurer

GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS
January 1958

	Cash Ac- counts and Balances		Cash Bal- ances at end of Month		
12-31-57 Bal. Citizens Bank-General Funds	25095.10	1-31-58	19452.66		
12-31-57 Bal. Citizens Bank-Payroll Fund	629.09	"	2591.57		
12-31-57 Bal. Sub. Tr. Co.-General Fund	38486.90	"	3796.95		
12-31-57 Petty Cash Fund - City Office	125.00	"	125.00		
1-1-58 Total Cash in Banks and on Hand	64336.09		25966.18		
	January 1958 Receipts	Total Budgeted Revenues To 1-31-58	Budget Balances as of 1-31-58	1957-58 Adopted Budget Total	Percen- tage Rev. To Budget
<u>REVENUES:</u>					
Taxes, Local-Gross	4882.35				
Penalties	144.92				
1.0 Net Collections	5027.27	344684.50	14185.92	358870.42	96.1
1.5 Taxes, State Shared	4532.44	58698.40	19651.60	78350.00	74.9
2.0 Licenses & Permits	876.75	16369.93	7500.07	23870.00	68.6
3.0 Fines - Forfeitures	119.00	756.94	2363.06	3120.00	24.3
4.0 Use of Money & Property	295.00	1638.76	451.24	2090.00	78.4
5.0 Revenues: Other Sources	-	-	33500.00	33500.00	-
6.0 Service Charges & Fees	7317.43	8303.13	2661.87	10965.00	75.7
Total Budgeted Revenues	18167.89	430451.66	80313.76	510765.42	84.3
Non Budgeted Receipts	459.71				
	18627.60				
Less Accrued & Deferred Rev.	250.00	18377.60			
Total Cash & Receipts	82713.69				
			This Month's Percentage Figure 58 1/3%		
	January 1958	Expended Budget To 1-31-58	Budget Bal- ance As At 9-30-57	1957-58 Adopted Budget Total	
<u>DISBURSED & ACCRUED:</u>					
10.0 General Government	4010.49	28041.91 (A)	26447.09	52720.00	51.5
11.1 Police Department	9360.35	60504.64 (B)	44816.46	102577.10	57.5
11.2 Fire Department	8282.95	44136.52 (C)	26342.48	70305.00	62.6
11.3 Protective Inspection	388.34	3839.24 (D)	3500.72	7339.96	85.3
11.9 Other Protection	75.28	1550.43 (E)	265.97	500.00	85.3
12.1 Public Works-Office	1978.08	10539.83 (F)	8475.13	19014.96	55.4
12.2 Public Works-Highways	4277.40	30430.67 (G)	32989.33	63420.00	47.9
12.9 Public Works-Repair Shop	2560.15	17670.03 (H)	5189.92	22610.00	77.3
13.0 Public Works-Sanitation	6230.82	34166.28 (I)	24394.72	58561.00	58.4
19.1 Recreation Division	12629.82	29261.89 (J)	9805.93	35357.82	74.9
21.0 Miscellaneous	2411.67	16901.60 (K)	10879.50	26710.10	60.8
22.1 Council Appropriations	-	100.00 (L)	472.94	572.94	17.4
4th of July Expense	-	1271.92 (M)	-	-	100.0
Legal Reserve Fund	-		38770.27	51076.54	24.1
	52205.35	278414.96	232350.46	510765.42	53.2
Non Budgeted Accounts	3329.76		1769.00 (A)		
	55535.11		2744.00 (B)	Reserve Fund	
Less Cash Discount	26.57		174.00 (C)	Appropriation	
	55508.54		1316.40 (E)		
Plus Expired Assets, Payables & Accruals	1238.97	56747.51	249.95 (H)		
Cash to be accounted for	25966.18		3710.00 (J)		
			1071.00 (K)		
			1271.92 (M)		
			12306.27		

GENERAL FUND
BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS COMPARISON
December 31, 1957 and January 31, 1958

<u>ASSETS</u>	Balance 12-31-57	Balance 1-31-58	Changes During Month
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-General A/C	25095.10	19452.66	-5642.44
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-Payroll A/C	629.09	2591.57	+1962.48
Suburban Trust Company - General A/C	38486.90	3796.95	-34689.95
Petty Cash Fund - City Office	125.00	125.00	-
Taxes Receivable - 1957 Levy	14679.88	9806.15	-4873.73
Taxes Receivable - 1956 Levy	156.90	156.90	-
Taxes - Delinquent	572.49	572.49	-
Interest Receivable on 1956 Levy	2.64	2.64	-
Due from Special Assessments Fund	58135.88	58235.88	+100.00
Due from Uniform A/C Policemen	720.92	710.72	-10.20
Towing Charges Receivable	27.00	38.50	+11.50
Prepaid Insurance	4172.81	3622.40	-550.41
Certificate of Deposit	150000.00	150000.00	-
Accrued Rent & Interest Receivable	1065.76	1315.76	+250.00
Prepaid State Retirement	-	2731.42	+2731.42
 Total Assets Accounts	 <u>293870.37</u>	 <u>253159.04</u>	 <u>-40711.33</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Accounts - Commitments Payable	11896.23	11002.91	-893.32
Certificate of Indebtedness	74500.00	74500.00	-
Escrow Deposits & Refundables	3465.72	925.00	-2540.72
Accrued Interest Payable	750.57	889.35	+138.78
Accrued Payroll	1176.88	710.55	-466.33
Maryland Income Tax Withheld	498.80	171.62	-327.18
D. C. Income Tax Withheld	105.99	39.29	-66.70
Group Hospitalization Withheld	21.60	23.76	+2.16
Federal Tax Withheld	2.70	2356.90	+2354.20
 Total Liability Accounts	 <u>92418.49</u>	 <u>90619.38</u>	 <u>-1799.11</u>
Unappropriated Surplus from Previous Year	4321.59	4321.59	-
Appropriated Unexpended - Net Asset Value	249079.51	210067.18	-39012.33
Unappropriated Reserve Fund Balance	40469.27	38770.27	-1699.00
	<u>293870.37</u>	<u>253159.04</u>	<u>-40711.33</u>
Special Improvement Account: 12-31-57	15787.48		
January Receipts	4865.56		
	<u>20653.04</u>		
Disbursements-None	-		
	<u>20653.04</u>		