

EXECUTIVE MEETING
 Mayor and Council
 September 14, 1959

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

Councilman McKenzie moved that the minutes of August 24th, 1959 be accepted as correct. Upon being seconded by Councilman Forshee, and put to question, the motion was carried.

The bank statement for the month of August was read as follows:

Citizens Bank - General Account:		Suburban Trust Company:	
7-31-59 Balance	227,153.53	7-31-59 Balance	9,317.65
August Receipts	44,198.89	August Receipts	1,452.05
	<u>271,352.42</u>		<u>10,769.70</u>
August Disbursements	253,063.05	August - Transfer	5,000.00
8-31-59 Balance	<u>18,289.37</u>	8-31-59	<u>5,769.70</u>

Special Improvement Account -	7-31-59 Balance	15,002.08
	August Receipts	613.62
(For complete statement see	8-31-59	<u>15,615.70</u>
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CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM:

1. Joseph M. Mathias, Judge, Maryland Tax Court, Appreciation of Certificate as Honorary Citizen of Takoma Park. Referred to Council Files.
2. Mr. Howard S. Fisk, 1515 Ogden Street, N. W., D. C., Appreciation for courtesies extended by Mayor and Council and City Departments to him as reporter for The Evening Star Newspaper. Referred to Council Files.
3. E. Michael Roll, Chairman, Prince George's County Municipal Association, Notice of Meeting, September 17th, at Town Hall, Capital Heights, Maryland. Referred to Council Files. Mayor Miller urged each Councilman to attend.
4. D. Leonard Dyer, Clerk, County Commissioners, Prince George's County, Notice of Application for Special Exception for permission to use for purposes of a Private Swimming Pool, premises Lot 1, Block A, Section 2, Hampshire Knolls, Subdivision known as 6805 Woodland Avenue - Hearing, September 16th, 10 a.m. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
5. County Board of Appeals, Montgomery - Notice of Case No. 820, Petition of Potomac Electric Power Company for Special Exception to permit use as a public utility building (residential type, electric substation) part of Lots 41 and 26, Block 37, B.F. Gilbert's Subdivision in an R-60 Zone, Hearing September 24th, 11 a.m. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
6. County Board of Appeals, Montgomery County, Notice of Case No. 815, Petition of Takoma Motor Company, Inc., for Special Exception to permit use as an outdoor automobile sales lot, Lot 1, Block F, Gilbert and Woods Subdivision, Carroll and Westmoreland Avenue in a C-2 Zone, Hearing September 24th, 10:30 a.m. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
7. County Board of Appeals, Montgomery County, Notice of Denial in Case No. 805, Petition and Appeal of Mrs. Beulah Young, Denial to permit use as care home, Lot 7, Block 39, Glazes Addition, 7417 Carroll Avenue. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
8. S. W. Parrish, Acting Director, Dept. of Inspection and Licenses, Montgomery County, Notice of limitation of time allotted for hearing evidence concerning Zoning Applications before County Council to one-half hour to each the applicant and to opponents. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.

9. Copy of letter by Ted C. Cowher, President, Takoma-Langley Junior Chamber of Commerce to Chief of Police, Montgomery County, requesting survey to ascertain if the lack of a pedestrian bridge on Carroll Avenue at Long Branch Parkway is a safe condition or an unsafe one. Referred to Public Safety and Parks and Recreation Committees.
10. Mr. & Mrs. Curtis J. Baird, 7100 Central Avenue, request for two new large and luminous "Dead End Street" signs at corner of Garland Avenue and on Central Avenue. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
11. T. Stanley Holland, Jr., H. G. Smithy Company, Request for street lights along Holton Lane, East of New Hampshire Avenue. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
12. Francis E. Twiss, Deputy Director for Traffic Engineering and Operations, District of Columbia, Report on survey. Referred to Council Files.
13. Walter Prichard, Secretary, North Takoma Citizens Association, reply to City's letter concerning use of City Triangle for College Parking. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.
14. Roderic F. Davis, President, North Takoma Citizens Association, invitation to Mayor and Council to attend first meeting of Association. Referred to Council Files.
15. Mrs. Paul M. Bodner, 708 Chaney Drive, Notice to Council of lot for sale. Referred to Finance Committee and Civic Improvements Committee.
16. Darl R. McBride, Recording Secretary, letter and copy of financial statement of Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. Referred to Finance Committee.

OPEN MEETING:

Mayor Miller issued a Proclamation designating the week of October 4th through October 10th as Fire Prevention Week, asking all citizens to cooperate with the Fire Department at this time and all other times. He said that the Fire Department would prepare a program for the public to emphasize the week.

Mayor Miller at this time recognized the services rendered by Mr. Howard Fisk, Star Reporter who recently retired after 66 years of service. Mayor Miller commended Mr. Fisk very highly for his long service to the City of Takoma Park and requested that Councilman Turner, Chairman of the Law and Ordinances Committee, upon making his report move the adoption of a Resolution in Honor of Mr. Fisk.

Mayor Miller also reported briefly on the success of the Open House for the new Public Works Buildings and Community Center on Sunday, September 13th. He publicly thanked those who were able to attend, and stated that the City would be better able to serve the citizens through the new quarters.

Mr. Carl P. Crezee, Manager, Takoma Motor Company, 7001 Carroll Avenue, addressed the Council concerning their request for Special Exception to permit use as an outdoor automobile sales lot, Lot 1, Block F, Gilbert and Wood's Subdivision, Carroll and Westmoreland Avenue in a C-2 Zone, hearing set for September 24th, 10:30 a.m. He said that Safety Stores, Inc., had notified them they would have to vacate the lot they are now using as a sales quarters, by the end of October, thus explaining the reason for their filing Special Exception. He stated that he has been a businessman in Takoma Park since 1945. Councilman Turner asked what would be done to improve the lot and he replied they would follow much the same procedure as they did on the one presently used. Councilman Roth asked how large the lot is and was informed about 23,000 square feet. It was stated that the lot has always been an eyesore and that it would certainly improve it to have a business take it over.

Mr. James Ronald, 9108 Eton Road, Silver Spring, owner of 8203 Houston Court, Takoma Park, stated that he was concerned with a situation now in process of development with the Houston Court area, which is the result of an apartment building being erected on Houston Avenue. He said that a parcel of land has been purchased by the builders which they are planning to develop into a parking area at the rear of the apartment building, with opening on Houston Court, and inasmuch as there are presently 40 or 50 families living within Houston Court, the area property owners feel that this would create too much of a traffic problem. Mr. Ronald quoted from a letter in connection with this, which he presented to the Council for study; pointing out that aside from creating traffic congestion, it would make the area more hazardous for children. Mayor Miller directed that this matter be turned over to the Civic Improvements and Parks and Recreation Committees.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Sidell reported that the request for permission to construct drive-in parking area, Flower Avenue side, 7701 Carroll Avenue is under study; He reported that drawings have been completed on the parking lot survey of Bennett and Fire House property, to which Mayor Miller instructed that a copy be sent to the National Parking Association; He further requested that the Clerk-Treasurer address a letter to the Hawkins Electric Company, asking them what can be done to improve visibility of green arrow - traffic light - Ethan Allen & Carroll Avenues; Also that the request by the SRC to establish loading zone at 7214 N. H. Avenue is under study by the Police Department.
2. Councilman Sidell reported that after study by the Committee of the request for "No Parking" signs on the righthand side of Ethan Allen Avenue from Elm to N. H. Avenues, also cutting off service road behind old co-op drugstore for the purpose of creating three lanes, that the following Ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 1552

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

Section 1. THAT parking be prohibited along the South Side of Ethan Allen Avenue (East-West Highway - Md. 410) from Elm Avenue to the first alley to the West of New Hampshire Avenue, effective from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., exclusive of Saturday and Sunday.

Section 2. AND THAT the penalties for the violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by the Ordinances governing traffic regulations in the City of Takoma Park.

The above Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Turner, and upon being put to question, was adopted by a roll call vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Forshee, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell, Turner and Councilwoman Monitor. Nays: None. Excused: Councilman Colli-son.

3. Councilman Sidell also moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1553

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

Section 1. THAT stopping or standing be prohibited at all times along the South Side of Ethan Allen Avenue (East-West Highway -

Md. 410) from the first alley to the West of New Hampshire Avenue and extending eastward to New Hampshire Avenue (Md. 650).

Section 2. AND THAT the penalties for the violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by the Ordinances governing traffic regulations in the City of Takoma Park.

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

4. Councilman Sidell reported that the request for cut off of about 102 feet of sharp curb at corner of Jefferson & Carroll Avenues is under study; also that the City is awaiting the result of survey of request for traffic light, Ethan Allen and Sycamore Avenues.

5. Councilman Sidell moved that the resignation of David B. Weimer, from the Takoma Park Fire Department, be accepted, effective September 9th. Upon being seconded by Councilman Collison, and put to question, the motion was carried.

6. Councilman Sidell reported on the letter written by Ted C. Cowher, President of the Takoma-Langley Jr. Chamber of Commerce to the Chief of Police, Montgomery County, requesting a survey to ascertain if the lack of a pedestrian bridge on Carroll Avenue at Long Branch Parkway is a safe condition or an unsafe one; he said that letters have been written by the City to the Montgomery County Council, also to County Manager Melvin L. Reese, in an attempt to get some action, inasmuch as this matter is outside the corporate limits of the City, and to this date there has been no answer. Mayor Miller directed that another letter be written to the County Manager of Rockville, with a copy to Mrs. Stella Werner, President of the County Council, in an attempt to get action.

7. Councilman Sidell moved the permanent appointment of Charles R. DuBois, Private, Takoma Park Police Department, effective October 1, 1959. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried; See page 7 for other two appointments.

8. Councilman Sidell moved that the resignation of Robert E. Berquist, be accepted, effective September 25th, 1959. Upon being seconded by Councilwoman Monitor, and put to question, the motion was carried. Pvt. Berquist will accept a position with the telephone company.

9. Councilman Sidell, upon recommendation of the Committee, moved that John Alfred Jarboe, Jr., be appointed to the Takoma Park Police Department as a Private, on a six-month probationary period, effective September 15th, 1959, at a salary of \$4,000 per annum, in accordance with the City Merit Plan. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Roth reported that the Resolution for annexation to the City of Saratoga Village is being advertised.

2. Councilman Roth reported that the City has been notified that the County Board of Appeals denied Mrs. Beulah Young's request for special exception to permit the use as a care home of the premises, Lot 7, Block 39, Glaizes Addition to Takoma Park, also known as 7417 Carroll Avenue.

3. Councilman Roth reported on the request by the Potomac Electric Power Company for special exception to permit use as a public utility building (residential type, electric substation) part of Lots 41 and 26, Block 37, B.F.G. Subdivision, in an R-60 Zone, stating that inasmuch as this project would definitely improve the area, the Committee

recommended that the Montgomery County Board of Appeals be so notified that the Council goes on record as recommending approval in this case. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

4. Councilman Roth moved that the Council go on record as recommending approval in the case of petition of the Takoma Motor Company, Inc., Z.A.P. No. 815, for special exception to permit use as an outdoor automobile sales lot, Lot 1, Block F, Gilbert & Woods Sub-division, Carroll & Westmoreland Avenues in a C-2 Zone, inasmuch as it is believed that this will be an improvement to the area. Upon being seconded by Councilwoman Monitor and put to question, the motion was carried.

5. Councilman Roth reported on Z.A.P. No. C-289, F. Byrne Austin, Agent for Olive I. Lucas, Owner, Part of Section 10 of S. S. Carroll's Addition (Westerly Side of Hancock Avenue, 120 ft. N E. of Sheridan Avenue), R-60 to R-10 Zone, and moved that the Council go on record as recommending disapproval, as it is the Committee's opinion that this particular parcel of land should remain in conformity with the surrounding area which is R-60. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

6. Councilman Roth reported on Z. A. P. No. C-239, Bess Ninaj, Owner and Applicant, Lot 27, Block 54, B. F. G. (Kennebec Avenue 270' West of Roanoke Avenue). R-20 to R-10 Zone, stating that even though the property on one side is R-10, and other side is R-20 and across the street R-60, there are two things to be considered, one being the rapid increase of R-10 zoning in the City, and two, due to the slope of land this would cause increase in parking on the street in front of apartment, and at the present zoning 13 apartments would be permitted. He further stated that even though the neighbors do not disapprove of the R-10, it is the Committee's opinion that the Council recommend disapproval of this request, and so moved. Upon being seconded by a unanimous vote, the motion was carried.

7. Councilman Roth reported on Z. A. P. C-311, Sidney M. Oliver, Agent for Guy W. and Ida M. Picking, Owners, Part of Lot 12, Blk 60 of B. F. G. (Maple & Sherman Aves.) R-60 to R-10 Zone. He had inquired as to what type of building was to be erected on the property, and it seemed there was no current information available, therefore, Councilman Roth moved that this matter be deferred until such time as the Park and Planning Commission has completed the new zoning plan map for the City. This request will be made to the Montgomery County Council. Upon being seconded by Councilman Forshee, and put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Roth requested that the Corporation Counsel, if possible, attend the Hearing on Case No. A-3435 (Second & Allegheny Avenues), in P. G. Co., in opposition to the request to change zone from R-55 to R-10 Zone. In the event that he cannot, the Clerk-Treasurer is to do so.

Councilman Roth requested removal from his Agenda, Item 2 under matters pending, Hospitality Program-Visiting Foreign People, as it should be more appropriately on the Parks and Recreation Committee; also that Z. A. P. #A-3404, Lot 19, Blk 1, Geo. A. Gude Property, C-1 to C-2 Zone, be removed as it has been acted upon by the County Commissioners; also that item 10 be removed, concerning request by SRC to establish loading zone opposite 7214 N. H. Avenue, as this item is carried on the Public Safety Committee.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Turner reported that a meeting was held about 10 days ago, at which most of the difficulties were ironed out of the proposed fire code for the codification of the City Laws and Ordinances.

2. Councilman Turner in compliance with Mayor Miller's wish, moved the adoption of a Resolution in honor of Mr. Howard Fisk, who recently retired from the Evening Star

Newspaper after 66 years of service, further requested that proper respect and honor be rendered to Mr. Fisk. Upon being seconded by Councilwoman Monitor, and put to question, the motion was carried. It was also stated that some type of recognition should be worked out which could be made a part of the City Council Room, perhaps in the form of a picture and the resolution. See attached sheet for copy of Resolution. Page 23

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

Councilman McKenzie said that he had no report to give at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

In the absence of Councilman Collison, Councilman McKenzie, Vice Chairman, gave the following report: (1) The result of the Public Hearing on Colby Avenue, it was brought out that it would not be practical to improve all of Colby Avenue, because of steep grade, therefore, after much discussion by the Committee it was agreed that the problem would have to be reconsidered and probably a portion of the street improved; At the second hearing concerning the improvement of Hayward Avenue, and in view of the letter received from the Park and Planning Commission eliminating the possibility of cutting through to Sligo Creek Parkway, it is the opinion of the Committee that only part of the street be improved. It will be up to the citizens on Hayward to meet together and to attempt to decide what they want.

2. Councilman McKenzie reported that two bids had been received from the proposed green house to be erected at the new Public Works Buildings, a third one being received later, however, it was not up to specifications. Low Bid was by Lord & Burnham of Irvington, N. Y., in the amount of \$1,701.00 with promise to deliver within 21 days after order. The following Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Turner:

ORDINANCE NO. 1554

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

Section 1. THAT after having duly advertised for bids, and after due consideration of those received it is the decision of the Mayor and City Council, that the low bid of ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND ONE DOLLARS (\$1,701.00) be accepted as submitted by Lord and Burnham to furnish one aluminum greenhouse, delivered.

Section 2. AND THAT this bid be accepted in accordance with plans and specifications as drawn by the Public Works Department.

Section 3. AND FURTHER THAT such sum as indicated in Section I be transferred from the Reserve Fund.

The above Ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Forshee, McKenzie, Sidell, Roth, Turner and Councilwoman Monitor. Nays: None. Excused: Councilman Collison.

3. Councilman McKenzie reported that bids have been received for a replacement oil burner for the City Office Building, the low bid by the Sinclair Refining Company in the amount of \$265 to cover the cost of a new oil burner. He therefore, moved that this bid be accepted not to exceed \$300.00 and that money be appropriated from the Reserve Fund. Upon being seconded by Councilman Turner, and put to question, the motion was carried.

Public Safety Committee (continued):

10. Councilman Sidell, upon recommendation of the Committee, moved that John T. Allen, Jr., be appointed to the Takoma Park Police Department as a Private, on a six-month probationary period, effective September 15th, 1959, at a salary of \$4,000 per annum, in accordance with the City Merit Plan. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

11. Councilman Sidell, upon recommendation of the Committee, moved that Richard F. Kugelman, be appointed to the Takoma Park Police Department as a Private, on a six-month probationary period, effective October 1st, 1959, at a salary of \$4,000 per annum, in accordance with the City Merit Plan. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee moved that the expenditures for the month of August be approved in the amount of \$95,446.00. Upon being seconded by Councilwoman Monitor, and put to question, the motion was carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilwoman Monitor moved that the Gymnasium at the City Fire House be reserved for the Supervisors of Elections for Montgomery County, in order to allow election of Democratic Precinct Officials, from the hours of 8:00 to 10:00 p.m., on October 27th, 1959. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

2. Councilwoman Monitor brought to attention the meeting to be held at the Heffner Park Recreation Center, on September 16th, 7:30 p.m., of members of the Council and other Civic leaders to work out the program for the Halloween Party for the City.

Fire Chief Carter reported he has a pumper engine that is not in working order at this time and that he was afraid the repairs are going to be quite expensive.

Chief Foster complimented his police force for the fine work they did in carrying out their duties at the Public Works Open House.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and City Council, upon motion made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

George M. Miller

Mayor

Hayes M. Lidger

Clerk-Treasurer

GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS
July 1959

	Cash Balance Beginning of Month	Cash Balance End of Month
6-30-59 Citizens Bank of Takoma Park G/F	99034.01	227153.53
6-30-59 Citizens Bank of Takoma Park P/A	5686.39	2482.74
6-30-59 Suburban Trust Company	164.57	9317.65
6-30-59 Petty Cash	125.00	125.00
	105009.97	239078.92

		Total Bud- geted Rev. 7-31-59	Budget Bal. as of 7-31-59	Adopted Budget Totals	Percen- tage to Budget
REVENUES:	234469.91				
	4092.45				
1.0 Taxes-Local Disc.	230377.46	234469.91	141167.86	375637.77	62.4
1.5 Taxes-State Shared	165.50	165.50	101684.50	101850.00	.01
2.0 Licenses & Permits	128.36	128.36	24496.64	24625.00	.05
3.0 Fines & Forfeitures	32.00	32.00	1768.00	1800.00	1.7
4.0 Rev. from Use of Mon. & Prop.	245.00	245.00	2695.00	2940.00	8.3
5.0 Rev. from Other Agencies	-	-	34864.95	34864.95	-
6.0 Serv. Chg. for Current Svc.	498.53	498.53	11107.47	11606.00	4.2
	231446.85	235539.30	317784.42	553323.72	42.5
Non-Budgeted Receipts	1147.03	232593.88			
Total Cash Receipts	337603.85				

This month's percentage
figure: 8 1/3%

		Expended	Balance	Budget	
DISBURSED & ACCRUED:					
10.1 Government Administration	2489.54	2489.54	33673.96(A)	36163.50	6.8
10.8 Government Buildings	1403.19	1403.19	18446.81(B)	19850.00	7.0
11.1 Police Department	9901.26	9901.26	110918.24(C)	120744.50	8.1
11.2 Fire Department	7728.89	7728.89	67450.11(D)	75179.00	10.2
11.3 Protective Inspection	656.66	656.66	7999.34(E)	8656.00	7.5
11.9 Civil Defense	-	-	100.00(F)	100.00	
12.1 P/W Office	1035.57	1035.57	12699.43(G)	13735.00	7.5
12.2 P/W Highways	4169.65	4169.65	58395.05(H)	62564.70	6.6
12.9 P/W Repair Shop	2541.14	2541.14	26558.86(I)	29100.00	8.7
13.1 P/W Sanitation	5955.23	5955.23	55349.27(J)	61304.50	9.7
19.0 Recreation Division	1630.75	1630.75	34884.55(K)	36514.30	4.4
21.0 Miscellaneous	681.25	681.25	30293.75(L)	30975.00	2.1
22.0 Capital Budget	66.66	66.66	1733.34(M)	1800.00	3.7
22.1 Council Appropriation	-	-	1304.85(N)	1304.85	-
Legal Reserve Fund	-	-	55257.37(O)	55332.37	.01
	38259.79	38259.79	515063.93	553323.72	6.9
Non-Budgeted Accounts	40137.73				
	78397.52				
Adjustments	20127.41	98524.93		C 75.00	
	239078.92	239078.92		75.00	

GENERAL FUND
BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS COMPARISON
June-July 1959

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Balance 6-30-59</u>	<u>Balance 7-31-59</u>	<u>Changes During Month</u>
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park	99034.01	227153.53	128119.52
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-P/A	5686.39	2482.74	-3203.65
Suburban Trust Company	164.57	9317.65	9153.08
Petty Cash	125.00	125.00	-
Taxes Receivable-1959 Levy M/C	-	80178.45	80178.45
Taxes Receivable-1959 Levy P/C	-	37757.14	37757.14
Taxes Receivable-1958 Levy	4621.43	4621.43	-
Taxes Receivable-1957 Levy	2669.89	2669.89	-
Taxes Receivable-1956 Levy	156.90	156.90	-
Interest Receivable-1956 Levy	190.38	190.38	-
Taxes Receivable-Delinquent	229.10	229.10	-
Due from Special Assessment Fund	9677.71	9677.71	-
New Public Works Buildings	110462.86	110674.52	211.66
Heffner Park Community Building	14305.91	14305.91	-
Towing Account	76.00	74.50	-1.50
Uniform Account	1760.73	1520.58	-240.15
Protective Apparel	114.05	114.05	-
Oswego and Niagara Avenues	736.23	736.23	-
Maple Avenue Improvement	6450.00	6450.00	-
Bennett Property Acquisition	19205.76	19205.76	-
Martin Property Acquisition	17.30	17.30	-
Glenside Drive Project	7271.09	7271.09	-
Lee Avenue Improvement	1415.34	1415.34	-
Commercial Trash Account Receivable	172.00	316.00	144.00
Prepaid Insurance	7990.40	7445.91	-544.49
Cumberland Avenue	24.40	24.40	-
Kirklyn Avenue	24.40	24.40	-
North Takoma Drainage	1000.00	1000.00	-
Lot 6, Block 104, S. S. Carroll's	110.00	110.00	-
Contracts in Progress	6000.00	6000.00	-
Air Conditioning - Library	-	10.65	10.65
	<u>299691.85</u>	<u>551276.56</u>	<u>251584.71</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Escrow Account	830.00	1830.00	1000.00
Federal Withholding Tax	4767.83	2703.44	-2064.39
Maryland Withholding Tax	800.87	276.99	-523.88
D. C. Withholding Tax	91.03	38.66	-52.37
Group Hospitalization	28.66	41.76	13.10
Certificate of Indebtedness	57500.00	17500.00	-40000.00
Accrued Interest Payable	80.57	41.60	-38.97
Accounts Payable	41857.67	24161.13	-17696.54
Accrued Payroll	2551.51	3281.53	730.02
Refundable Over-payment of Taxes	20.87	52.50	31.63
Contracts Payable	6000.00	6000.00	-
Commercial Trash Billing	-	144.00	144.00
	<u>114529.01</u>	<u>56071.61</u>	<u>-58457.40</u>
Unappropriated Surplus from Prev. Yr.	4636.29	44157.93	39521.64
Appropriated New Asset Value	32593.06	251603.46	219010.40
Unappropriated Reserve Fund Balance	4002.96	55257.37	51254.41
General Fixed Assets in Progress	143930.53	144186.19	255.66
	<u>299691.85</u>	<u>551276.56</u>	<u>251584.71</u>
Special Improvement Account:			
6-30-59	9200.88		
July Deposits	5801.20		
7-31-59 Bal.	<u>15002.08</u>		

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Mr. Howard S. Fisk, having established residence in the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, in the year 1897, living here for many years; and even after moving to the District of Columbia, continued to serve the City faithfully as a member of the press for The Evening Star Newspaper;

AND WHEREAS, Mr. Howard S. Fisk, served as a Member of the Press, attending the City Council Meetings from 1897 to 1959, reporting the news factually and without prejudice, with the best interests, orderly growth and development of the City of Takoma Park as a deep conviction of heart;

WHEREAS, due to his faithful attendance, the meetings of the Mayor, and City Council were reported continually during his many years of service;

AND WHEREAS, Mr. Howard S. Fisk, played an important part in the preparation of the Takoma Park Historical Brochure, serving as a Research Consultant, the Brochure later receiving the citation for the most distinguished publication, 1958, from The Government Public Relations Association.

AND WHEREAS, Mr. Howard S. Fisk, did resign his position from The Evening Star Newspaper on August 21, 1959, after sixty-six years of faithful service;

THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council of Takoma Park, Maryland do hereby extend to Mr. Howard S. Fisk, a fine gentleman, who has endeared himself in the hearts of many; recognition of the many years of his untiring devotion to the City, as a faithful friend to all with whom he came in contact;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council extend to Mr. Fisk their wish for continued health and happiness, and that he will enjoy many future years of service, in whatever he might undertake.

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of September in the Year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-nine.

/s/ George M. Miller, Mayor
City of Takoma Park, Maryland
Robert W. Collison, Councilman
Clayton D. Forshee, Councilman
Gibson E. McKenzie, Councilman
John D. Roth, Councilman
Ralph F. Sidell, Councilman
Edwin S. Turner, Councilman
Emily P. Monitor, Councilwoman

REGULAR MEETING
Mayor and Council
September 28, 1959

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Those present were: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell and Councilwoman Monitor. Excused: Councilman Turner.

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

Councilman Collison requested that Item 11 under Correspondence Received From, be changed to Public Safety Committee in lieu of Public Works Committee; Councilman Sidell requested that the following corrections be made: Under Public Safety Committee, Item 6, that the title of Melvin L. Reese be changed to read County Manager, in lieu of City Manager, also that under Item 10, that Jr., be added to John T. Allen; City Clerk-Treasurer requested that the three Ordinances, Numbers 1550, 1551 and 1552 be renumbered to 1552, 1553 and 1554. It was then moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of September 14th, 1959 be accepted as corrected.

Mayor Miller announced at this time, that the regular procedure would not be followed, inasmuch as the request had been made to speak to the Mayor and Council, by Mr. Ted Cowher, President of the JayCeers, in order that he might attend another meeting, therefore, Mayor Miller said that all citizens wishing to address to the Council would be heard at this time.

Mr. Ted Cowher expressed the appreciation of the Takoma-Langley Junior Chamber of Commerce to the Mayor and City Council for the cooperation extended them in past matters, also that they would cooperate with the Council concerning the matter of the lack of a Pedestrian bridge on Carroll Avenue at Long Branch Parkway. At this time, Mr. Cowher stated his real purpose in desiring to speak at this time. He reported that at the last meeting of the JayCeers a motion was made and duly passed, to make Mayor George M. Miller an Honorary Member of the JayCeers. Mr. Cowher read the document duly adopted, then presented it to Mayor Miller. This tribute came as a complete surprise to the Mayor, and after the presentation, Mayor Miller expressed his deepest appreciation for this honor.

Mr. Walter McClenon, 7211 Cedar Avenue, brought to attention of the Council the recently placed stop sign at Birch and Dogwood Avenues. He said that practically no traffic was apparent on Dogwood, except that created by cars going to and from the houses, and that there was considerably more traffic on Birch Avenue. He further stated that the stop sign is on Birch in favor of Dogwood, and should be the other way, stop on Dogwood. Mayor Miller asked that Councilman Sidell, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee clarify this matter for Mr. McClenon. Councilman Sidell stated that a request by citizens in the area of Birch and Dogwood had initiated the study and they recommended the sign on Birch, and that while the problem was under consideration, there had been a bad accident at the intersection due to the high speed traffic on Birch into a blind intersection which needed to be slowed down. Mr. McClenon said that this was an answer, however, it didn't seem logical having a stop sign against the traffic flow moving the other way.

Mayor Miller announced that the former Christian Church at New York and Chicago Avenues, that was recently under consideration on a zoning change to permit its use as a theater, has been sold. It is now the property of the United Church for the Deaf. Mayor Miller directed that the Clerk-Treasurer send a letter to the Rev. Paul A. Soules, 3116 Madison Avenue, Hyattsville, Md., welcoming this church body to the City of Takoma Park. Services will be held three nights a week and on Sunday.

Mayor Miller reported that there will be a meeting on Thursday evening, October 1st, at 8:00 p.m., #8 Columbia Avenue, of representatives of the various civic, school, churches, and scouts of the City, along with Mr. Chambers of the U. S. Information Service, to begin

work on the possibility of Takoma Park adopting a foreign Sister City. Mayor Miller stated that the Mayor and Council will spearhead the project, however, that the real backbone will be the various organizations of the City. He further extended an invitation to any interested citizens to attend this meeting and work with the group.

At this time, Mayor Miller presented Certificate of Award to Mrs. Mary McKenny and Mrs. Viola Ross, for patriotic and meritorious service rendered to the City of Takoma Park, for Civic Devotion and Watchfulness, over the Public Works Buildings while under construction. Both ladies accepted the Award with deep gratefulness, stating they were more than happy to be of assistance, and would continue to keep a watchful eye on the site.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM:

1. Louis L. Goldstein, Comptroller of the Treasury, State of Maryland, regrets that he could not attend official opening of new Public Works Buildings and Community Hall. Referred to Council Files.
2. Notice from MNCP&PC of change of address, Community Hall to #42 Oswego Avenue. Referred to Council Files, also that it be referred to Director of P/W Rhodes and sign committee.
3. John W. Osborn, Pastor Sligo SDA Church, regrets that he could not attend official opening of new Public Works Buildings and Community Hall. Referred to Council Files.
4. Roderic F. Davis, President, North Takoma Citizens Association, commending Mayor and Council for wisdom and forethought in planning new buildings which are now a reality. Referred to Council Files.
5. Ruth B. Pratt, Librarian, Takoma Park Maryland Library, requests for:
 - (a) adequate parking space; (b) light for end of building; (c) sign with arrow indicating parking at far end of building; (d) designation by signs of three parking spaces near rear entrance for staff members; (e) positive action to prevent unauthorized use of parking facilities. Referred to P/S & P/R Committees.
6. M. E. Gustafson, 6701 Allegheny Avenue, request for improvement of Cockerille Avenue from First Avenue to Elm Avenue. Referred to Public Works Committee.
7. Citizens Association of Takoma Park, request that action be taken to clear up conditions that exist along Ritchie Avenue near intersection of Oswego Avenue, such as drinking, loitering, loud talk, etc. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
8. M. L. Reese, County Manager, Montgomery County, concerning problem of a footbridge at Carroll Avenue & Long Branch Creek. Referred to Council Files, also that JayCeese be informed of this letter.
9. R. W. Neal, Executive Manager, Maryland Fire Underwriters Rating Bureau, revision of fire protection classification from "B" to "C". Referred to Public Safety Committee, with instruction, that data be gathered and turned over to the City's Corporation Counsel, in order that a meeting can be arranged with the Fire Underwriters Rating Bureau.
10. Mrs. Margaret Ray, appreciation for naming Ball Field in honor of Hodges family. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.
11. Rev. Edward R. Bley, Pastor, Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, expression of appreciation to Police Department for checking his home during absence on vacation. Referred to Council Files.
12. M. H. Dixon, Recording Secretary, Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, thanking Police Department for fine cooperation and assistance at various traffic lights and

intersections when Department is answering an alarm. Referred to Council Files.

13. Ken Stewart, Graphic Arts Services, 7056 Carroll Avenue, appreciation for efficiency of Police Department, particularly in connection with a bad check case. Referred to Council Files. Upon the reading of this letter, Mayor Miller spoke a few words sincerely commending Captain Cissel upon the work that he has done for the City while in its employ. Referred to Council Files.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Collison reported on the progress of the Maple Avenue Improvement Project, stating that a meeting has been scheduled by McNeill Surveys and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, to study the relocation of the storm sewer, which is to be lowered as a part of the improvement project.

2. Councilman Collison reported that he had been told that McNeill Surveys has started work on the North Takoma Storm Drainage Plans, and will get approval from the WSSC.

3. Councilman Collison reported on the Takoma Park Maryland Library request for additional parking space and proper lighting for same, that it was planned to work out the matter, after the settlement of the acquisition of the Martin Property, however, that after investigation it will be some time before work can be started in this respect, and would entail considerable expense, therefore, after discussion with Director of Public Works Rhodes, the Committee feels that a suitable arrangement can be worked out to help with the parking problem at this time.

4. Councilman Collison reported on the request for pavement of portion of Kirklyn Avenue & Service Drive on N. H. Avenue, that plan is underway with McNeill Surveys, and in turn they would submit it to the WSSC for approval. Councilman Collison said that there is no report on the readvertisement for bids on air conditioning of the Library.

5. Councilman Collison reported that the basic foundation will be completed for the installation of the greenhouse on the Public Works site on September 29th, and that the greenhouse will be delivered next week.

6. Councilman Collison reported that work on the replacement of heating system - City Office Building will be completed either this week or the early part of next week.

7. Councilman Collison reported on the request for permission to construct a drive-in parking area on Flower Avenue side, 7701 Carroll Avenue, that the matter will be reported on by the Public Safety Committee, and that after action taken the Public Works Department will issue the permit.

8. Councilman Collison brought to the attention of the public the distribution of leaves as handled in past years. He stated that since the erectinn of the new Public Works buildings, it is no longer possible to use that place as a dumping site for leaf collection, therefore, the location on Maple Avenue by the old site will be used. He also said that anyone desiring leaves are to contact the Public Works Department, JUniper 9-0065 and the Department will be happy to deliver them, however, the stipulations is that it must be in truckload quantities, otherwise they would have to obtain them on their own.

9. Councilman Collison stated that inasmuch as the services of the Firemen and the Policemen were used, and as they had done an excellent job at the Open House Ceremonies at the new Public Works Buildings, he thought it fitting and proper that the Clerk-Treasurer send letters to the men participating, commencing them on a job well done.

10. Councilman Collison reported that about two years ago McNeill Surveys had been requested to make a study of the sharp junction of Oswego and Niagara Avenues. This survey was made on September 9th, 1957. A bill has been received in the amount of \$581.16. Councilman Collison moved that the following Ordinance be adopted in payment of this bill:

ORDINANCE NO. 1555

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

Section 1. THAT inasmuch as McNeill Surveys have made the requested study of the sharp junction of Oswego and Niagara Avenues, the survey being completed on September 9th, 1957;

Section 2. AND THAT the City of Takoma Park has been billed in the amount of \$581.16 for services rendered;

Section 3. NOW THEREFORE THAT the City Clerk-Treasurer be hereby authorized to pay to McNeill Surveys, Inc., the sum of FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE DOLLARS AND SIXTEEN CENTS (\$581.16);

Section 4. AND FURTHER THAT this item be charged to the new Public Works Project, amount being taken from the Reserve Fund.

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

11. Councilman Collison reported that at the Public Works Committee Meeting it was agreed that there should be another Public Hearing on the Improvement of Hayward Avenue, therefore, the date of November 2nd, 8:00 p.m., has been set. He requested that the Clerk-Treasurer proceed with the necessary legal procedure, and so moved. Upon being seconded by Councilman McKenzie, and put to question, the motion was carried.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

There was no report at this time, as Councilman Turner was excused because of illness.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman McKenzie reported that the Sanitation Department is in need for burlap bags for trash removal, also that bids have been received as per usual procedure and that the Bemis Bag Company has submitted the low bid, therefore, he moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1556

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

Section 1. THAT it has been determined that the Sanitation Division is in need of burlap squares for trash removal;

Section 2. AND THAT bids have been received in accordance with the necessary procedure;

Section 3. THEREFORE THAT the low bid of \$717.36 for fourteen hundred squares received from the Bemis Bag Company be hereby accepted;

Section 4. AND FURTHER THAT the purchase of ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED (1,400) burlap squares 80" X 80", 10 oz. burlap, unhemmed, is hereby authorized for the total sum of SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTEEN DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SIX CENTS, order to be placed with the Bemis Bag Company in accordance with their low bid to be charged to Budget A/C 13.402B.

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

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Sidell reported on the request for street lights along Holton Lane, East of New Hampshire Avenue, that the Committee has decided that PEPCO be asked to survey the area and make a recommendation. He so moved. Upon being seconded by Councilman Roth, and put to question, the motion was carried.
2. Councilman Sidell reported on the complaint of parking area problems, 8203 Houston Court, stating that after investigation by the Committee, the decision is that there is nothing the Council can do inasmuch as the lot involved is privately owned, and that action for a parking lot has been approved by the County authorities. Councilman McKenzie inquired if the apartment development also owns lot on Houston Court and was told yes; Councilman Collison asked if there was any consideration given to the dedicated areaway along back side of the building. Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen stated that if he remembered correctly, that when the petition came up for rezoning mention was made to the abandoned alley in the area. Councilman Collison said that he felt this should be investigated, as a possible relief. Councilman Sidell said he would look into the matter.
3. Councilman Sidell reported on the Washington Sanitarium & Hospital's request that City assume responsibility of patrolling main thoroughfare through grounds of Sanitarium; he quoted a suggested Ordinance to govern this matter, to which the Council registered approval. Therefore, he directed that the Clerk-Treasurer send a copy of this suggested Ordinance to Mr. Nelson, Administrator of the Sanitarium, for his approval, before it be proposed for adoption. He stated that this Ordinance would govern Sanitarium Drive, from Maple Avenue entrance to the Carroll Avenue one, this statement being in reply to question asked by Councilman Collison.
4. Councilman Sidell reported that a good bit of material has been gathered on the request for a street light on Wyatt Lane, and that the Committee will take action on this at its next meeting.
5. Councilman Sidell reported on the request by SRC to establish loading zone at 7214 N. H. Avenue; It was suggested that the Committee's decision be sent to the SRC for their approval. The Committee suggested that "No Parking" begin 50 feet South of fire hydrant and be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. However, after a study by Captain Cissel, this type of a solution would affect the businesses in the locality considerably, therefore, a one hour parking limitation would be better. However, after further study by the Committee, it was found that inasmuch as the parking lot is usually filled by employees also that they tend to use the area in front of the stores, that the Committee proposed the adoption of an Ordinance prohibiting parking from the fire hydrant, South 60 feet, and that from that point 60 feet South to the parking lot entrance, there should be a one hour parking limitation established from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This was seconded by Councilman Forshee. The following Ordinance was moved for adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 1557

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

Section 1. THAT a "No Parking from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m." zone be hereby established on the West side of New Hampshire Avenue, in front of Nos. 7212 and 7214 New Hampshire Avenue, beginning at the point of the existing fire hydrant and extending Southward for a distance of sixty (60) feet;

Section 2. AND THAT a "One Hour Parking from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m." Zone be hereby established on the West side of New Hampshire Avenue beginning at a point in front of 7210 New Hampshire Avenue sixty (60) feet South of the existing fire hydrant and extending Southward for a distance of one hundred fifty-five (155) feet.

Section 3. AND FURTHER THAT the penalties for violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by Ordinances governing traffic regulations in the City of Takoma Park.

The above Ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell and Councilwoman Monitor. Nays: None. Excused: Councilman Turner.

6. Councilman Sidell reported on the request for cut off of about 102 feet of sharp curb at corner of Jefferson & Carroll Avenues; He requested that the Public Works Committee look into the possibility of making a righthand entrance to Jefferson Avenue instead, and that a 90° curb be worked out instead of the present sharp one.

7. Councilman Sidell gave the following report on the request for permission to construct a drive-in parking area, Flower Avenue side, at 7701 Carroll Avenue; He stated that the Committee, along with the Chief of Police suggested that the owner be given permission to construct the drive-in parking area, with a 17 foot wide curb cut being granted, thus providing parking space for two cars. He further said that it should be suggested to the owner that a parking area be constructed that will permit parking up to the building. He so moved. There was some question on this matter and the Director of Public Works was asked to give his opinion, inasmuch as to allow this parking area would mean the cars would have to back out into the street, and question was raised if this has been considered by the Police Department. Mr. Rhodes, Director of Public Works stated that he withheld issuance of a permit in the first place in order that the Public Safety Committee and the Police Department could consider the matter and that if they approved, he would gladly issue the permit. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

7. Councilman Sidell reported that in connection with the survey of Bennett and Fire House property for a parking area, that the National Parking Association will recommend use of the area to the best advantage; also that the invisibility of green arrow - traffic light - Ethan Allen & Carroll Avenues is under study by the Hawkins Electric Company.

8. Councilman Sidell reported that the complaint of drinking, loitering, etc., on Ritchie Avenue near the intersection of Oswego Avenue by the Colby and Ritchie Avenue Citizens Association has been under Police surveillance, and is much improved.

9. Councilman Sidell moved that the resignation of Captain Edwin C. Cissel from the Takoma Park Police Department be accepted with regret, effective September 30, 1959. The reason for Captain Cissel's leaving is that he has accepted a position with the State Department, and will be sent to a foreign country. Upon being duly seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

10. Councilman Sidell reported that the Police Department has informed him that there are numerous cars, bicycles and other items that can be offered for public auction, therefore, he moved that the date of October 23rd, be set for this purpose, and that the Clerk-Treasurer proceed with the necessary legal steps to negotiate this auction. This was seconded by Councilman McKenzie. The following Ordinance was moved for adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 1558

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

Section 1. THAT automobiles, bicycles and other articles of value, impounded by the Takoma Park Police Department, which have been in custody for the time required by law and not redeemed, be sold at Public Auction on October 23rd, 1959, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., in accordance with the laws of the City and State of Maryland;

Section 2. AND THAT the City Clerk-Treasurer be hereby authorized to act as Auctioneer at said Public Auction and to handle the necessary details in preparation thereof.

The above Ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell and Councilwoman Monitor. Nays: None. Excused: Councilman Turner.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilwoman Monitor reported that plans are well underway for the annual Halloween Party to be held on Laurel Avenue between Eastern and Carroll Avenues on Saturday evening, October 31st, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. She said the party would follow much the same procedure as in past years, also that there would be another meeting held on the evening of September 30th, 8 p.m., of the Committee, to work out further details. Councilwoman Monitor reported that a check has been received from Mr. Bien, as a personal donation to the cause, also that a gift has been offered by anonymous person in the amount of \$25.00, either in the form of money or food for the party, a matter to be decided by the Committee. She further requested that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Bien for his check. Mr. Bien is President of the Takoma Park Historical Society, however, he stated that since it is a non-profit organization and funds are low he did not feel that he should call upon it for a contribution, thus explaining his personal donation.

2. Councilwoman Monitor reported that she and Mr. Rhodes had investigated the complaint of dead tree near bridge on Takoma Avenue, also those in need of trimming and that something will be worked out; also that the item, Hospitality Program-Visiting Foreign People be place back on the Civic Improvements Committee; in order that Parks & Recreation and Civic Improvements can work jointly on the matter.

3. Councilwoman Monitor reported that Mr. Gustafson, Lee Jordan, Director of Public Works Rhodes and she met together in an attempt to work out a satisfactory recreation program at the Heffner Park Community Center. The result of this meeting is that on Friday evenings 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., beginning on the 16th of October there will be a teenage recreation program, including games and dancing, and that the County will furnish the leader for the activity. She further stated that there is need for a record player and other items for the Center, and it was thought that an affair such as a bake sale, etc., would be scheduled to defray the expense of the needed items.

4. Councilwoman Monitor reported that the date of October 11th, 3:00 p.m. has been set to pay proper recognition to the Hodges family in connection with the City Ball Field, which was recently named "Hodges Field".

5. Councilwoman Monitor reported that she is in the process of working out a schedule for the gymnasium activities at the fire house.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee reported that the notice of lot for sale adjoining City property will be held over for discussion.

2. Councilman Forshee reported that he has looked over the financial statement of the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, stating that it shows a surplus of \$221.34. Inasmuch as the report has been audited and is in order he moved that it be placed on file. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

3. Councilman Forshee moved for approval the expenditures for the month of August in the amount of \$253,099.15. He pointed out that this large amount was not all for actual expenditures, but that \$200,000.00 was in the form of deposits for interest returns. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Roth reported that the annexation to the City of Takoma Park of Saratoga Village is progressing, inasmuch as notice has been published, the next step to be the Public Hearing on October 12th in the City Council Room, 7:30 p.m.

2. Councilman Roth reported that the hearing on the change in zoning of the Maple Avenue Property being sold to Mr. Bimblich and Mr. Lopatin, will be held on Sept. 30th, 8:00 p.m., under Case No. C-312, also that Corporation Counsel Gingerich be requested to attend this hearing, inasmuch as it involves City property; He further reported that the City Clerk-Treasurer attended a group of zoning hearings on September 23rd before the County Council and had reported on them.

3. Councilman Roth reported that there is under discussion the possibility of a uniform stop sign program across the Country. If this matter proves feasible, it would be adopted nationwide.

Mayor Miller announced that the City is sponsoring a Bloodmobile on October 8th at the Takoma Park Seventh Day Adventist Church on Carroll and Laurel Avenues, the hours being 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. He emphasized the urgent need for blood, and urged all citizens possible to participate in this most worthwhile project.

Mayor Miller addressed those present, as well as the radio audience, commenting on the recent reclassification of the insurance rating of the Fire Department. He said that he was much concerned over this, and regretted that there wasn't previous knowledge of this in order that action might have been taken on this. He further stated that Takoma Park has one of the finest and best run fire departments in the locality. He directed that information on this be gathered and that the matter be turned over to the City's Corporation Counsel.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, upon motion made, seconded and carried the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

George M Miller
Mayor

Wayne M. Lidger
Clerk-Treasurer