

CAUCUS  
Fire House  
March 8, 1960

Mr. Haynes M. Pridgen, City Clerk-Treasurer for the City of Takoma Park, called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Reverend Leslie R. Mansell, Pastor of the Takoma Park Seventh Day Adventist Church rendered the Invocation.

Mr. Pridgen then explained the purpose of the meeting called in accordance with the City Charter to nominate candidates for the Office of Mayor and seven Councilmen, to be elected Tuesday, March 22nd, 1960 and to take office on the second Monday in April 1960 to serve for a period of two years. It was pointed out that the "Notice of Caucus" had been published in the Maryland News, the Prince George's Post and the Evening Star for a period of two consecutive weeks as prescribed by the City Charter.

Mr. Pridgen pointed out that the Caucus is non-partisan and that it is not necessary to be affiliated with any political party, citizens association, group, race, creed or color to participate in the meeting. The only requirement being that of a resident eligible voter certified by the Board of Election Supervisors of the respective Counties.

After a brief resume of the procedure to be followed in making the nominations and the qualifications of candidates, Mrs. Irene Forehand was elected as Secretary of the meeting.

The following candidates for election were nominated in the order stated:

Nomination for Mayor:

Mr. S. W. Tymeson, 8118 Flower Avenue, Takoma Park, Md., nominated Mr. George M. Miller, 7019 Eastern Avenue, Takoma Park for Mayor.

The following seconds were made:

John W. Coffman, 7412 Birch Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
George B. Kennedy, 7715 Takoma Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
E. Jack Coulson, 7617 Takoma Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
O. J. Forehand, 7129 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
Mrs. Henry Myers, 606 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
A. F. Monitor, 511 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

No further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close nominations.

Nomination for Councilmen from the 4th & 6th Precincts, 17th District, Prince George's County:

Mr. Wm. H. Harvey Hutton, 1008 Heather Avenue, Takoma Park, Md., nominated Mr. Russell B. Jones, 409 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

The following seconds were made:

E. D. Cronon, 505 Boston Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
Charles Thompson, 419 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
Leonard Lincoln, 314 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
Mrs. Emily Monitor, 511 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

No further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close nominations.



Mr. Frank G. Connor, 7505 Wildwood Drive, Takoma Park, Md., nominated Mr. John D. Roth, 7608 Hammond Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

The following seconds were made:

- Mr. Robert Mandel, 7003 Woodland Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- Mrs. Adelaide Fraser, 7200 Holly Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- Mr. Harold Ryan, 1 Linden Circle, Takoma Park, Md.

No further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close nominations.

Nomination for Councilman from 9th Precinct, 13th District, Montgomery County:

Mr. S. W. Tymeson, 8118 Flower Avenue, Takoma Park, Md., nominated Mr. Clayton D. Forshee, 722 Kennebec Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

The following seconds were made:

- R. H. Reed, 7501 Central Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- Paul Hottel, 7427 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- H. T. Elliott, 8105 Hammond Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- W. R. Dickson, 7119 Greenwood Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

No further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close nominations.

Nomination for Councilmen from the 4th and 20th Precincts, 13th District, Montgomery County:

Mr. Garret M. Van Hoesen, 7300 Willow Avenue, Takoma Park, Md., nominated Mr. Edwin S. Turner, 226 W. Grant Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

The following seconds were made:

- Mrs. Lester Geib, 7509 Hancock Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- Kenneth Fisher, 7421 Baltimore Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- Mrs. Adeline Gooch, 7422 Piney Branch Road, Takoma Park, Md.

Mr. Harry F. Wickline, 7812 Takoma Avenue, Takoma Park, Md., nominated Mr. Ralph F. Sidell, 606 Boston Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

The following seconds were made:

- Mrs. Wm. E. Culleen, 7103 Poplar Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- Vincent D. Bateman, 7202 Central Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- Mr. & Mrs. George A. Cook, 22 Philadelphia Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

No further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close nominations.

Nomination for Councilmen from the 6th and 21st Precincts, 13th District, Montgomery County:

Mr. John B. O'Neill, 7406 Cedar Avenue, Takoma Park, Md., nominated Mr. Gibson E. McKenzie, 7401 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

The following seconds were made:

- Mrs. Lester Geib, 7509 Hancock Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.
- O. J. Forehand, 7129 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

Mr. John W. Coffman, 7412 Birch Avenue, Takoma Park, Md., nominated Mr. Robert W. Collison, 7112 Sycamore Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.



The following seconds were made:

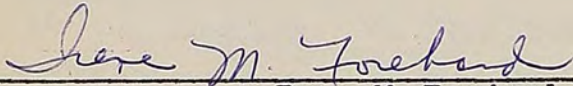
Harold Barnstead, 7605 Glenside Drive, Takoma Park, Md.  
Roderick Davis, 703 New York Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
Wm. H. Hutton, 1008 Heather Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
O. M. Johnson, 7111 Sycamore Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.  
Samuel W. Mendum, 7214 Holly Avenue, Takoma Park, Md.

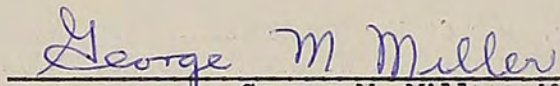
No further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close the nominations.

Mr. Edwin S. Turner gave recognition to Councilwoman Emily Monitor for her untiring services and splendid work which she rendered while serving the citizens of Takoma Park. He also made mention of various projects which she was instrumental in accomplishing during her term of office.

Mayor George M. Miller gave a few words of appreciation in behalf of the Council and himself for the support and interest shown by the citizens as displayed at this meeting. He further urged that all citizens get out to vote on March 22. He made mention that the citizens should be especially proud of their community inasmuch as it is considered the seventh largest incorporated area in the State of Maryland.

No further business to come before the meeting at this time, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

  
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Irene M. Forehand, Secretary

  
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George M. Miller, Mayor



EXECUTIVE MEETING  
Mayor and Council  
March 14, 1960

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

Councilman McKenzie moved that the minutes of February 22, 1960 be accepted as correct. Upon being seconded by Councilman Forshee, and put to question, the motion was carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM:

1. Invitation to Mayor and Council to attend Open House, Takoma Park Elementary School, March 23rd, 1960, 8 to 10 p.m. Mayor Miller directed that the Clerk-Treasurer to acknowledge the letter and that some members of the Council will be attending.
2. Richard H. Oakland, Director of Town Affiliations, American Municipal Association, invitation to attend Third Annual Meeting of the Civic Committee of the Presidents People to People Program in the International Conference Room, State Department, March 21st and 22nd. Councilwoman Monitor will be attending some of the Session, as will representatives of the Takoma Park Women's Club.
3. Richard H. Oakland, Director of Town Affiliations, American Municipal Association, report on status of Sister City Program. Latin American City for affiliation has not yet been located. Referred to Council Files.
4. Lester H. Ahlswede, President, Hillwood Manor Citizens Association. Confirmation of invitation to the Association Meeting, Monday, March 21st. Referred to Council Files.
5. John E. Surrick, Development Manager, Consolidated Sun-Ray Stations, Philadelphia, Pa. Information that application for radio station in Takoma Park has been withdrawn due to circumstances beyond control. Mayor Miller directed that a copy be made of Mr. Surrick's letter and circulated to all those parties who participated in the original negotiations.
6. Mr. Freeman E. Morgan, 7209 - 14th Avenue, City, referring to the accident involving Mr. Seek of the Public Works Department. Referred to the Public Safety Committee.

BANK STATEMENT:

Citizens Bank of Takoma Park - G/F:		Suburban Trust Company:	
1-31-60 Balance	37,419.42	1-31-60 Balance	4,173.23
*February Revenues	58,689.01	February Receipts	54.72
	96,108.43	2-29-60 Balance	4,227.95
February Disbursements	43,567.29	Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-Special	
2-29-60 Balance	52,541.14	Improvement Fund:	
		1-31-60 Balance	6,572.37
		February Receipts	3,379.52
			9,951.89

\* Includes Deposit of \$50,000 Certificate of Deposit. Balance in Certificates of Deposit \$100,000.00.

(For complete statement see Pages 121 & 122)

OPEN MEETING:

Mayor Miller moved the adoption of the following Resolution, which was duly seconded and carried:

"WHEREAS, The Washington Missionary College is a private, co-educational liberal arts college located within the corporate limits of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland; and



WHEREAS, Many of the fine citizens of Takoma Park are graduates of the Washington Missionary College; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of Takoma Park, Maryland wish to take this opportunity to acknowledge the benefits which accrue to the City by the presence of this fine institution of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, on March 23rd, 1960, Dr. Charles B. Hirsch will be inaugurated as the Ninth President of the Washington Missionary College; Now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, that they extend their sincere congratulations to Dr. Charles B. Hirsch upon his inauguration and wish for him many, many years of useful and faithful service in his office; and

THAT, this Resolution be presented to Dr. Charles B. Hirsch at the Washington Missionary College upon the occasion of his inauguration, as a small token of the esteem of the citizens of the City of Takoma Park.

WHEREUPON, We, the Mayor and City Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, set our hands and seals this fourteenth day of March, Nineteen Hundred and Sixty, in the year of our Lord.

The above Resolution was signed by the Mayor and City Council March 14th, 1960.

Mayor Miller issued a Proclamation setting aside the week of March 20th to 26th, as "Wild Life Week" in compliance with Governor Tawes' proclamation.

Mayor Miller commented briefly on the recently held City Caucus for nominations for Mayor and City Council. Even though there is no opposition to the candidates, he strongly urged the citizens of Takoma Park to turn out at the Polls on Election Day, March 22nd.

Mr. Michael Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue, City, spoke with regard to letter written to the City by Mr. Freeman Morgan on circumstances surrounding accident to Mr. Seek. Mr. Derato said that it looked as if the Police Department was being blamed for the accident, and he was of the opinion that in his association with the Department as a Special Officer, that the matter was handled properly. He further said that his real purpose in addressing the Council, was to bring to attention the letter he had written to the "Free Press" about the accident, part of which they had published. However, that they had inadvertently left out the last two paragraphs of his letter which he read to the Council, covering suggestions with regard to the payment of Mr. Seek's expenses resulting from the accident.

Mayor Miller told Mr. Derato, that he had personally talked with Mr. Morgan, and that he was quite sure that he did not mean to place the blame on the Department, even though his letter gave that impression.

#### CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Roth said that the U. S. Mail Box at corner of Chicago and Philadelphia Avenues (Route 410) being considered for removal is still under study.
2. Councilman Roth reported on complaint of illuminated sign at A & P Store. He said that the County Zoning Ordinance controls heights and sizes of signs; also that he had discussed the complaint with the architect of the Giant Food Properties and was told that there is a standing order with people who lease buildings that signs are not to be erected on top of



buildings. He said that he had also discussed this with an officer of the Citizens Association making complaint and had reasonably satisfied the individual. He stated that if it is agreeable to the Council, that a letter be written to Giant Food Properties informing them that the Council endorsed the principle of no store top signs, and trust such principle will prevail. There was no objection.

3. Councilman Roth reported further on the previous request for relocation of fence behind the new Hampshire-Langley Shopping Center. He said that the Prince George's County Commissioners' had given their endorsement to the relocation of fence. He requested that the Clerk-Treasurer confer with Corporation Counsel Gingerich and set up proper regulations concerning same.

4. Councilman Roth reported that complaints have been received about the vacant land South of Motel on New Hampshire Avenue, now under consideration for rezoning, that people in the area are dumping trash and construction materials along curb. He asked that this be looked into in order to remedy the unsightly condition; He also brought to attention Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-3548, Lots 1-12 inclusive and Lots 20-24 inclusive, Block 4, New Hampshire Gardens, R-55 and R-18 Zones to C-0 Zone, property owned by Gorin Bros., suggesting that an inquiry be made as to progress on this request for zoning change; Councilman Roth called attention to a recent newspaper article in which building of Rt. 240 along B. & O. Tracks is being endorsed by the D. C. Commission. He said that the Council should keep watch on this to see if there will be any adverse effect on the City. Councilman Roth also commended the newspaper "Free Press" for its article concerning the need for a footbridge across Long Branch at Carroll Avenue.

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Collison said he had no report on pending items on agenda, other than that plans were to be ready to submit by the 15th of the month on the Maple Avenue project, however, they are not complete yet; The plans on the North Takoma Storm Drainage project have been turned over to the Corporation Counsel for preparation of rights of way papers; the pavement of Kirklyn Avenue and Service Drive on N. H. Avenue has been held up due to snow; No further report on the improvement of Hayward Avenue or improvement of Cockerille Avenue from First to Elm Avenues. At this time Councilman Forshee said John Nevins Andrews School has inquired as to the price the City is asking in payment of the lot, however, no decision has been made.

2. Councilman Collison reported on letter read this evening from Mr. Freeman Morgan relating the condition of the Street. Mr. Rhodes and he met with Members of the Hillwood Manor Citizens Association, also with a Mr. John Embree and discussed the condition on Erskine Street. He said that this problem had never been brought to the attention of the Council previously, however, that the Public Works Department was aware of the condition, and always attempted to remedy it. He also referred to the letter read from the association, inviting the Mayor and Council to their next meeting. It is planned that the Council will be represented at this meeting, in an attempt to work out a solution.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee moved for approval the payment of expenditures for the month of January in the amount of \$35,744.98 and for the month of February in amount of \$43,614.93. Upon being seconded by Councilman Turner, and put to question, the motion was carried.

#### LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Turner commended the Police and Public Works Departments for the excellent job they did during the past snows.

2. Councilman Turner announced a meeting of the Committee on Monday night, March 21, at 7 p.m., to go over suggestions made by the Clerk-Treasurer on the Codification of the City Law and Ordinances.



3. Councilman Turner moved the adoption of the following Ordinance, appointing the officials to serve for the City Election of Mayor and City Council on March 22nd, 1960:

ORDINANCE NO. 1582

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

Section 1. THAT the following citizens of the City of Takoma Park have been selected to serve as election officials for the City Election for Mayor and Council on March 22nd, 1960:

Mrs. Julia M. Russo, 106 Philadelphia Avenue  
 Mrs. Lillian A. Fisher, 7304 Birch Avenue  
 Mrs. Irene K. Apperti, 303 Ethan Allen Avenue  
 Mrs. Jane C. Fahey, 7101 New Hampshire Avenue  
 Mrs. Mathilda S. Mohr, 217 Spring Avenue  
 Mrs. Goldie Thomsen, 419 Elm Avenue  
 Mrs. Esther Coffman, 7412 Birch Avenue  
 Mrs. Florence Nishimoto, 7409 Holly Avenue  
 Mrs. Agnes R. Cullen, 7103 Poplar Avenue  
 Mrs. Alice H. Myers, 606 Elm Avenue  
 Mrs. Anne W. Neumann, 8213 Sligo Creek Parkway  
 Mrs. Esther D. Geib, 7509 Hancock Avenue  
 Mrs. Mildred S. Bateman, 7202 Central Avenue  
 Mrs. Margaret E. Zea, 422 Ethan Allen Avenue  
 Mr. Walter H. McClenon, 7211 Cedar Avenue  
 Mr. Herbert P. Smith, 11 Pine Avenue  
 Rev. William L. Montgomery, 7300 Maple Avenue

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 and Councilwoman Monitor, Councilmen Roth, Sidell and Turner. Nays: None.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman McKenzie reported that on the request for a sidewalk - 212 Philadelphia Avenue that the cost of same is being worked up by the Director of Public Works, after which owner will be contacted.
2. Councilman McKenzie reported on the recently held Public Hearing in violation of City Housing Ordinance of property owned by Mr. Robert Rice, 7110 Sycamore Avenue. Investigation shows that ceiling of terrace apartment is 6.2 feet, which is occupied by a tenant who takes care of the premises. It is the opinion of the Committee that the terrace apartment does not meet with the standards of the Housing Ordinance, therefore, recommends that Mr. Rice be given six months to remove the violation and so moved. Upon being seconded by Councilman Turner, and put to question, the motion was carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of the following Ordinances in vicinity of new Langley Park Branch Post Office, in compliance with their request:

ORDINANCE NO. 1583

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

Section 1. THAT, in the interest of expediting traffic and regulating parking in the vicinity of the new Langley Park Post Office,



"angular" parking be established on the South Side of Holton Lane from the driveway curb cut West of the Post Office Building, East to the City Boundary Line;

Section 2. AND THAT the first eight angular parking spaces, beginning at the driveway curb cut West of the Post Office Building, East toward the City Boundary Line be limited to TWELVE MINUTE parking from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M. except on Sundays and Holidays, such eight spaces to be equipped with appropriate parking meters, one cent for twelve minutes.

Section 3. AND FURTHER THAT the remaining angular parking spaces East of the Post Office Building to the City Boundary Line be limited to ONE HOUR parking from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M. except on Sundays and Holidays.

Section 4. THEREFORE THAT the Director of Public Works be hereby directed to install appropriate signs to indicate restrictions ordained by Section Three of this Ordinance and to install parking meters as ordained in Section Two of this Ordinance.

Section 5. AND THAT the penalties for the violation of this Ordinance be the same as prescribed by Ordinance governing Traffic Regulations in the City of Takoma Park.

Councilman McKenzie said that he couldn't see the practicability of placing parking meters at the post office, when there is a free lot across the street. It was pointed out that the placing of these meters was not to make money, but to regulate the traffic in front of the post office in order that patrons will be able to park and transact their business there when necessary. It was also pointed out that at present the workers in the various stores are using the area now. The Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Forshee, and upon being put to question, was adopted by a roll call vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, McKenzie and Councilwoman Monitor, Councilmen Sidell, Roth and Turner. Nays: None.

2. Councilman Sidell moved the Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to purchase eight parking meters at net cost of \$49.00 each (\$61.50 less \$12.50 trade-in allowance) net sum of \$392.00 to be transferred from the RESERVE FUND. Upon being seconded by Councilman Roth and put to question the motion was carried.

3. Councilman Sidell reported a change of events on trade-in of cars on purchase of the new police cars. He said that it was necessary to put a new motor in Car #4, one of the 1958 fords due to be traded in, and that the 1957 Car #6 is not proving out in cruiser as it should, therefore, it has been decided to trade in Car 6 instead, which is agreeable to Banning and Sons. Ordinance No. 1574 is to be amended as follows:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 1584

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

Section 1. THAT Ordinance No. 1574 be amended to increase award to \$3,507.96 in place of \$3,357.96, or an increase of \$150.00.

Section 2. AND THAT Car #6 (1957 Ford Sedan #B7CG121469) be traded in, in place of Car #4.

Section 3. AND THAT the Clerk-Treasurer be hereby authorized to assign to Banning and Sons Motors, Inc., the title to 1957 Ford



Sedan #B7CG121469 and transfer from the Reserve Fund the increase of \$150.00.

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

4. Councilman Sidell, upon recommendation of Police Chief Foster and the Committee, moved that Privates John T. Allen, Jr., and John A. Jarboe, Jr., be appointed permanently, effective March 16th, 1960. Upon being seconded, and put to question, the motion was carried.

5. Councilman Sidell, upon recommendation of Police Chief Foster, and the Committee, moved that James P. Turner, be appointed as a Private in the Takoma Park Police Department for a six months probationary period, at a salary of \$4,000 per annum, effective March 16th, 1960. Mr. Turner will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Officer Owen. Upon being seconded by Councilman Turner, and put to question, the motion was carried.

6. Councilman Sidell, upon recommendation of Police Chief Foster, and the Committee, moved that PFC James A. Newton be promoted to the rank of Corporal, (to fill rank vacancy created by transfer of Corporal Bever to the Detective Bureau), effective March 16th, 1960. Upon being seconded by Councilman Forshee, and put to question, the motion was carried.

7. Councilman Sidell, upon recommendation of Police Chief Foster, and the Committee, moved that Private Thomas E. Thorowgood be promoted to rank of Private First Class (filling rank vacancy created by promotion of Corporal Newton), effective March 16th, 1960. Upon being seconded by Councilman Collison, and put to question, the motion was carried.

8. Councilman Sidell reported on the State Roads survey for traffic light, Ethan Allen and Sycamore Avenues, that it would cost approximately \$492 to place an additional signal connected to overhead light controlling the Carroll Avenue intersection. He said that the Committee did not go along with this, but did suggest that the white line be kept painted to help emphasize the traffic control.

Councilman Collison said that he couldn't see where the white line made any difference, in improving the main light, where the trouble is. He said that the yellow light is not on long enough to allow people to step down and cross the street. Councilman Forshee questioned how long the signal actually held to allow pedestrians to cross. Mayor Miller asked that the Chief of Police check the signal, and determine the actual time allowed..

Councilman Sidell said that a study of the light would be made and costs involved and that the white line should be repainted.

9. Councilman Sidell reported that after discussion with officials of the School Board concerning parking around Montgomery Junior College, and the study of certain areas in which parking could be provided by the County, that in the meantime the following Ordinance be adopted, and so moved:

ORDINANCE NO. 1585

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

Section 1. THAT parking be prohibited at any time on the East side of Takoma Avenue from Buffalo Avenue to Albany Avenue;

Section 2. AND THAT parking be prohibited at any time on the East side of Takoma Avenue from New York Avenue to Philadelphia Avenue.



Section 3. AND FURTHER THAT the State Roads Commission be requested to install appropriate signs to indicate restrictions as ordained by Section 1 of this Ordinance inasmuch as this portion of Takoma Avenue is State Route No. 605.

Section 4. THEREFORE THAT the Director of Public Works is hereby directed to install appropriate signs to indicate restrictions as ordained by Section 2 of this Ordinance.

Section 5. AND FURTHER THAT the penalties for the violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by Ordinance governing traffic regulations in the City of Takoma Park.

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

10. Councilman Sidell reported on the complaint of heavy foliage at Cole and Ann Streets. He said that the hedge under complaint is outside of the City Ordinance and quoted from the Ordinance pertaining to it.

11. Councilman Sidell reported that bids were received for the demolition of the building at 7137 Carroll Avenue. It is recommended by the Public Works Committee that the bid of Ace Wrecking Company, for \$643.00 be accepted, and so moved. In razing the building all debris will be cleared away except for masonry materials which will be used for fill. The following Ordinance was adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 1586

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

Section 1. THAT after having properly obtained bids for the razing of the house, located on Lot Part of 30, Block 19, B. F. Gilbert's Subdivision, 7137 Carroll Avenue;

Section 2. AND THAT a Low Bid for performing the necessary work has been obtained from the Ace Wrecking Company, for the sum of SIX HUNDRED FORTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$643.00) and such work to be started as soon as premises are vacated of occupancy.

Section 3. THEREFORE THAT the contract be awarded to the Ace Wrecking Company in accordance with all specifications as established by the Director of Public Works, in accordance with Section 2.

Section 4. AND THAT the sum be transferred from the Reserve Fund.

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

Councilman Roth commended the "Free Press" for the splendid support they are giving the City on the unsatisfactory bridge located at the foot of Carroll Avenue, across Long Branch Creek. He further recommended that the Clerk-Treasurer send a letter to Senator Northrop, along with correspondence received to date, however, it was decided to await the developments through the efforts of the "Free Press".

Mayor Miller at this time commended Councilwoman Monitor very highly in carrying out her duties as ~~Chairman~~ of the Parks and Recreation Committee during the past four



years. He said that he would later recognize her before she steps down from her post.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilwoman Monitor said that before she left office, she would like consideration give to the matter of children sledding on streets that are blocked off for this purpose. She said that even though the streets are blocked off, residents are still allowed to leave vehicles in front of homes and due to some very serious accidents in the Metropolitan area this winter, resulting from children sliding into cars, therefore, she would like consideration given to eliminate this hazard.
2. Councilwoman Monitor reported on the shelters for the City parks. She said that she was very pleased that funds had been allotted for this purpose and that the Director of Public Works has drawn up a possible sketch for these shelters, which will be duly considered by the Committee.
3. Councilwoman Monitor requested that the item of "suggestion by North Takoma Citizens Association on possible use of City Triangle along B. & O. RR at Takoma Avenue for College Parking" be taken off her Committee, inasmuch as the Public Safety Committee is acting satisfactorily on it.
4. Councilwoman Monitor commended the efforts of the Maryland Underwater Rescue Team, saying that they are doing an excellent job, and that she was more than pleased that she had endorsed them originally. The Team has undertaken two jobs recently, successfully recovering an automobile and an airplane, in which other salvage attempts have failed.

Mayor Miller read a letter from a citizen of Takoma Park, containing comments on the closed Election. Again he strongly urged the citizens of Takoma Park to turn out at the polls on Election Day, March 22nd, 1960.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, upon motion, made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned. at 10:30 p.m.

George M Miller  
Mayor

Hayden M. Lodge  
Clerk-Treasurer



GENERAL FUND  
Statement of Financial Transactions  
January-February 1960

		Cash Balance Beginning of 3-1-60	Cash Balance End of Month		
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-G/F		28874.66	52541.14		
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-P/A		3418.46	612.07		
Suburban Trust Company		3938.57	4227.95		
Petty Cash		125.00	125.00		
		<u>36356.69</u>	<u>57506.16</u>		
		Total Bud- get Rev.to 3-29-60	Budget Bal- ance as of 3-29-60	1959-60 Adopted Budget	
<u>Revenues</u>					
1.0 Taxes-Local	10349.71	375650.89	-13.12	375637.77	100.
1.5 Taxes-State Shared	7229.57	28399.42	73450.58	101850.00	27.8
2.0 Licenses & Permits	1130.39	17786.32	6838.68	24625.00	72.2
3.0 Fine and Forfeitures	290.80	543.50	1256.50	1800.00	30.1
4.0 Rev. from Use of M. & P.	1172.50	4760.75	-1820.75	2940.00	161.9
5.0 Rev. from Other Agencies	-	-	34864.95	34864.95	
6.0 Service Charges from Cur.Svc.	8852.41	10480.52	1125.48	11606.00	90.3
	<u>29025.38</u>	<u>437621.40</u>	<u>115702.32</u>	<u>553323.72</u>	<u>79.0</u>
Non-Budgeted Receipts	77124.47				
	<u>106149.85</u>				
Adjustments	2921.20	103228.65	This month's percentage figure: 66 2/3%		
		<u>139585.34</u>			
<u>Disbursements</u>		Expended	Balance	Adopted	
10.1 Government Administration	6526.27	23221.26	14377.24(A)	36163.50	61.7
10.8 Government Buildings	4629.20	20859.73	15551.04(B)	19850.00	57.2
11.1 Police Department	22583.08	80453.06	43849.40(E)	120744.50	64.7
11.2 Fire Department	5784.43	52085.55	29400.11(D)	75179.00	63.9
11.3 Protective Inspection	1209.54	4783.35	3872.65(E)	8656.00	55.2
11.9 Other Protection	-	70.00	30.00(F)	100.00	70.0
12.1 P/W Office	2105.57	8808.28	4926.72(G)	13735.00	69.1
12.2 P/W Highways	10545.53	36022.57	29194.82(H)	62564.70	55.2
12.9 P/W Repair Shop	4938.27	20723.21	8376.79(I)	29100.00	71.2
13.0 P/W Sanitation	9397.10	53173.14	21018.61(J)	61304.50	71.6
19.0 Recreation Division	5237.38	26445.18	14569.12(K)	36514.30	64.4
22.0 Miscellaneous	7592.88	25185.08	5789.92(L)	30975.00	81.3
22.1 Capital Budget	581.16	1949.11	932.05(M)	1800.00	67.6
Council Appropriations	75.78	75.78	1229.07(N)	1304.85	5.8
Legal Reserve Fund	-	-	6350.88(O)	55332.37	88.5
	<u>81206.19</u>	<u>353855.30</u>	<u>199468.42</u>	<u>553323.72</u>	<u>58.7</u>
Non-Budgeted Accounts	1866.91		(A)	1435.00	
	<u>83073.10</u>		(B)	16560.77	
Adjustments	993.92	82079.18	(C)	3557.96	
		<u>57506.16</u>	(D)	6306.66	
			(H)	2652.69	
			(J)	12887.25	
			(K)	4500.00	
			(M)	1081.16	
				<u>48981.49</u>	



## GENERAL FUND

## Balance Sheet Accounts Comparison

<u>Assets</u>	Balance 12-31-59	Balance 2-29-60	Changes During Month
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-G/F	28874.66	52541.14	23666.48
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-P/A	3418.46	612.07	-2806.39
Suburban Trust Company	3938.57	4227.95	289.38
Petty Cash	125.00	125.00	-
Taxes Receivable 1959 Levy-MC & PG	16767.62	7410.28	-9357.34
Taxes Receivable Delinquent (56-58)	4902.16	4902.16	-
Interest Receivable - Delinquent Taxes	263.32	263.32	-
New Public Works Building	111657.34	-	-111657.34
Heffner Park Community Building	14711.07	-	-14711.07
Towing Account	161.00	122.00	-39.00
Uniform Account	1047.12	1192.83	145.71
Protective Apparel	121.76	76.53	-45.23
Oswego and Niagara Avenues	6772.98	-	-6772.98
Maple Avenue Improvement	6450.00	6450.00	-
Bennett Property Acquisition	19473.26	-	-19473.26
Martin Property	1017.30	-	-1017.30
Glenside Drive Project	7289.01	7289.01	-
Commercial Trash Account Receivable	244.50	252.00	7.50
Prepaid Insurance	1840.20	1013.61	-826.59
Cumberland Avenue	24.40	24.40	-
Kirklynn Avenue	24.40	49.61	25.21
North Takoma Drainage	1000.00	1000.00	-
Contracts in Progress	6000.00	6000.00	-
Claims	246.52	2338.77	2092.25
Hayward, Colby & Cherry Avenues	271.48	271.48	-
Certificate of Deposit	175000.00	100000.00	-75000.00
Accrued Interest Receivable	1517.20	890.93	-626.27
Uniform Stock	135.37	120.87	-14.50
Capital Assets Control	-	153631.95	153631.95
	<u>413294.70</u>	<u>350805.91</u>	<u>-62488.79</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Escrow	1001.67	951.67	-50.00
Federal Withholding Tax	2504.10	-	-2504.10
Maryland Withholding Tax	779.07	551.74	-227.33
D. C. Withholding Tax	95.69	44.61	-51.08
Group Hospitalization	29.23	5.35	-23.88
Certificate of Indebtedness	17500.00	17500.00	-
Accrued Interest Payable	152.40	152.40	-
Accounts Payable	32466.43	41612.67	9146.24
Accrued Payroll	1807.18	2519.26	712.08
Overpayment of Taxes	21.82	21.82	-
Contracts Payable	6000.00	6000.00	-
Commercial Trash Billing	72.50	80.00	7.50
Due from Special Assessment Fund	9910.77	9910.77	-
Lot 6, Block 104, S.S. Carrolls	13101.56	13101.56	-
	<u>85442.42</u>	<u>92451.85</u>	<u>7009.43</u>
Unappropriated Surplus from Prev. Year	23303.91	23303.91	-
Appropriated Net Asset Value	124102.40	82857.60	-41244.80
Unappropriated Reserve Fund Balance	35185.46	6350.88	-28834.58
General Fixed Assets in Progress	145260.51	145841.67	581.16
	<u>413294.70</u>	<u>350805.91</u>	<u>-62488.79</u>
Special Improvement Account:			
1-29-60 Balance	6,572.37		
February Receipts	3,379.52		
	<u>9,951.89</u>		



SPECIAL MEETING  
ELECTION RETURNS  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
March 23, 1960

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

Mayor Miller stated the purpose of the meeting was to receive the results of the election from the Judges of Election, and read from Section 1422, Paragraph(m) of the City Charter pertaining to elections. Mayor Miller then called on Mrs. Goldie Thomsen to submit the report. Mrs. Goldie Thomsen, Chairman of the Judges of Election read the report as follows:

"Mayor and Council  
City of Takoma Park, Maryland

Mayor and Council Members:

The undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as Judges of Election, have the honor to submit the following report of the City Election, held the 22nd day of March, 1960, in the Takoma Park Fire Department Building:

The Board organized with the appointment of Goldie Thomsen, Chairman; Esther R. Coffman, Julia M. Russo, Margaret E. Zea, Herbert D. Smith, William L. Montgomery, Walter H. McClenon, Agnes R. Cullen, as Judges; Lillian A. Fisher, Jane C. Fahey, Mathilda S. Mohr, Florence Nishimoto, Alice H. Myers, Anne W. Neumann, Esther D. Geib, Mildred S. Bateman, as Clerks, after having taken the prescribed oath of office before the Mayor. The Polls were opened at the legal hour of 7 o'clock a.m., and closed at the legal hour of 7 o'clock p.m.

The following candidate for Mayor received the number of votes set opposite his name:

George M. Miller	404
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The following candidates for Council Members received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:

4TH AND 20TH PRECINCTS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Ralph F. Sidell	378
Edwin S. Turner	347

6TH AND 21ST PRECINCTS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Robert W. Collison	382
Gibson E. McKenzie	350

9TH PRECINCT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Clayton D. Forshee	380
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4TH AND 6TH PRECINCTS, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

Russell B. Jones	372
John D. Roth	341



It appears from the ballots cast that the following candidate for Mayor received the highest number of votes, and was duly elected Mayor for a period of two years from the second Monday in April 1960:

George M. Miller

It appears from the ballots cast that the following candidates for Council Members received the largest number of votes in their respective precincts and were duly elected Council Members for a period of two years from the second Monday in April, 1960:

4TH AND 20TH PRECINCTS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Ralph F. Sidell  
Edwin S. Turner

6TH AND 21ST PRECINCTS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Robert W. Collison  
Gibson E. McKenzie

9TH PRECINCT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Clayton D. Forshee

4TH AND 6TH PRECINCTS, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

Russell B. Jones  
John D. Roth

The results of the tabulation of the election indicates 426 registered voters cast their votes.

Certificates of Election in accordance with the results as stated herein are attached hereto for delivery to the Mayor and Council Members elect.

Very respectfully,

JUDGES OF ELECTION

/s/Goldie Thomsen, Chairman

Attest:

Certified to be a true and correct copy:

/s/ Esther R. Coffman

Julia M. Russo

Margaret E. Zea

Herbert D. Smith

William L. Montgomery

Walter H. McClenon

Agnes R. Culleen

Lillian A. Fisher

Jane C. Fahey

Mathilda S. Mohr

Florence Nishimoto

Alice H. Myers

Anne W. Neumann

Esther D. Geib

Mildred S. Bateman

The above report was submitted to Mayor Miller

Mayor Miller commended Mrs. Thomsen as Chairman, and congratulated the Election Board as a whole for the splendid work in conducting the Election.



Councilman Turner moved that the Election Report submitted by Mrs. Thomsen be accepted. Upon being seconded by Councilwoman Monitor, and put to question, the motion was carried.

Mayor Miller stated that the Press had been notified of the Meeting, however, as they already were in possession of the Election Results, did not attend.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 P. M.

George M. Miller  
Mayor

Haynes M. Pridgen  
Clerk-Treasurer



REGULAR MEETING  
Mayor and Council  
March 28, 1960

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

Rev. Wm. L. Montgomery, Takoma Park Presbyterian Church rendered the Invocation.

Councilman Turner moved that the minutes of March 14th, 1960, be accepted as correct. Upon being seconded by Councilman Collison, and put to question, the motion was carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM:

1. Mrs. Ruth B. Pratt, Librarian, Takoma Park Maryland Library, invitation to Mayor to attend Family Day at the Library on Sunday, April 3rd. Referred to Council Files.
2. Newton F. Butts, Budget Officer, Montgomery County, requesting annual levy for fiscal year 1960-61 as to tax rate on Fire areas outside City Limits covered by the Takoma Park Fire Department. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
3. C. E. Moseley, Jr., B. E. Chase, C. A. Dailey, B. Wilkerson, request approval of Council in zoning change of Lots 32, 33, 34 & 35, Block 50, to R-10. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
4. Mr. Herbert W. Wells, Chairman, MNCP&PC, concerning Plans for multi-purpose court in Long Branch Park. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.
5. Jesse F. Nicholson, Secretary-Treasurer, MNCP&PC, regarding ZAP No. A-3670, Wheeler and Korpeck, Attorneys, C-1 Zone to C-2 Zone. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
6. Lester H. Ahlswede, President, Hillwood Manor Citizens Association, letter explaining condition on Erskine Street due to drainage problem. Referred to Public Works Committee.
7. J. Franklin Gross, Vice President, Giant Food Properties, Inc., concerning Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-2940. Referred to Council Files.
8. Marvin Dennison, 7018 Poplar Avenue, City, requests permission to move No Parking sign in alley directly behind lot. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
9. Mrs. Miriam Tymeson, Principal, John Nevins Andrews School, request to purchase City-owned property, Lot 26, Block 16, Gilbert's Addition to Takoma Park for sum of \$850.00. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
10. Mr. I. B. Goad, Director of Transportation, D. C. Transit System, Inc., 36th & "M" Streets, N. W., Washington, D. C., requesting permission to erect bus stops within City Limits. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
11. Marian L. Patterson, 1st Vice President, League of Women Voters, Prince George's County, Maryland, letter of appreciation for Mayor's attendance at study committee meeting on February 11, 1960. Referred to Council Files.

OPEN MEETING:

Mr. Walter McClenon, 7211 Cedar Avenue, City, asked what progress is being made in adopting a Sister City for the City of Takoma Park. Mayor Miller informed him that an attempt is presently being made to find a City with the same qualifications as Takoma Park, and that it can take as much as six months to establish this data. It was also



pointed out that an attempt is being made to establish relationship with a city in South America.

Mr. Robert Mandel, 7003 Woodland Avenue, City, questioned the negotiations of the City and the Giant Food Properties. Councilman Roth stated that the dealings at present concern the new Hampshire-Langley Shopping Center, and the recent negotiations of erecting a fence. He also referred to a letter read earlier in the evening from them concerning Z.A.P. No. 3670, which involves property up for rezoning of land owned by them from C-1 to C-2. Mr. Mandel said that it sounded to him as if they were attempting to rezone property for industrial purposes, or to enlarge on property already owned by them. Councilman Roth said that this particular zoning petition had just been received, therefore, there was no report ready on it.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilwoman Monitor reported that the work on the proposed park shelters is progressing nicely. She said that in the company of Director of P/W Rhodes, Councilman and Mrs. Collison, and Mr. Monitor, that a trip was made recently to investigate the possibility of materials that might be used; the result being that the \$4,000.00 appropriated would amply cover the construction of the two shelters. Sites for them have been chosen, one in Spring Park and the other in Washington Park.
2. Councilwoman Monitor reported the drainage problem involving the ball diamond at Spring Park. She said that to do the job properly would involve considerable work in order to make it permanent, however, Mr. Rhodes will make temporary corrections for the Spring ball programs and that she hoped the new Parks & Recreation Committee will continue to improve this area. Councilwoman Monitor requested that residents living in the vicinity of the City Parks, keep a watch on them and report any unusual circumstances noted. She said this would be a help in keeping the Parks ready for use by the Public. This would also apply to those using the parks for picnics, etc.
3. Councilwoman Monitor reported that plans are underway for a third roller skating program at the City's Municipal Gymnasium, sponsored by the Montgomery County Recreation Department.
4. Councilwoman Monitor reported that a tour has been made of the Heffner Park Recreation Center in the company of Director of P/W Rhodes. She said that there have been comments made that the erection of the building was a waste of money, however, after viewing the building and a check on the activities held there, it is quite apparent that it has been a very successful undertaking. Also, that those using the building are definitely taking good care of the premises.
5. Councilwoman Monitor stated that congratulations are in order to Mr. Powell upon his fine work in the Greenhouse. There will be ample flowers ready for Spring transplanting when the weather breaks.

#### CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Roth reported on the letter received from Mr. Wells of the Park and Planning Commission, referring to the proposed improvement and installation of a court in Long Branch Park. He said that in talking with some residents in the area, that most people were very happy about the improvement.
2. Councilman Roth presented more facts, in an attempt to refresh in the minds of those present, concerning the fence to be erected in back of the Hampshire-Langley Shopping Center. In brief, he said that Giant Foods are to erect the fence and shrubbery planting on the upper grade level on the Property Line, this coming about due to a request by residents in the area, in order to remove from view the rear of the stores where trash would be placed. The request received favorable support from the Mayor and Council,



also from the Prince George's Board of County Commissioners.

3. Councilman Roth reported on the request by the North Takoma Citizens Association for removal of the U. S. Mail Box at the corner of Chicago and Philadelphia Avenues. He said that after investigation, the final decision will be up to the appropriate officials of the Post Office Department, and moved that the Clerk-Treasurer write them, conveying the wishes of the Citizens Association, and recommend that if possible, their request be granted. The motion was seconded and carried.

4. Councilman Roth reported on the request from Mrs. Mildred Tymeson, Principal of the John Nevins Andrews School to purchase the adjacent property for use as a playground, offering the sum of \$850.00 for the lot. Councilman Roth stated that inasmuch as the request for improvement of Cockerille Avenue has been dropped, that there is no reason the City should not sell the property. It was pointed out that the City originally purchased the lot at a tax sale for about \$300.00 six years ago, therefore it was the Committee's opinion that the price offered by the school is a fair one, however, that it is necessary to advertise for sale in accordance with the City Charter. He therefore, moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1587

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

Section 1. THAT it has been determined that certain City-owned property is no longer needed for public use;

Section 2. THEREFORE, THAT Lot 26 and Part of Lot 27, Block 16, Gilbert's Addition to Takoma Park be advertised for sale in accordance with the City Charter, and

Section 3. THAT sealed bids in duplicate be received in the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer until 4:00 P.M., April 25th, 1960, and

Section 4. THAT the Mayor and Council reserve the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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

5. Councilman Roth reported on the recent Court of Appeals ruling on the land on New Hampshire Avenue that was proposed for use as a Motel-Apartment Development. This property is located in the vicinity of the car wash on N. H. Avenue. Back in January of 1959 the Mayor and Council recommended that this change of zoning be denied; C-2 Zone would have allowed the erection of an apartment project, motel and swimming pool on New Hampshire Avenue. He said the Courts reversed the decision of the County Commissioners on the property because of the conditional zoning and that zoning has been reverted to R-55.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Collison reported on the meeting of the Members of the Council with the Hillwood Manor Citizens Association. He said that Mr. Dunker, a representative of the Prince George's County was also in attendance, and that Mr. Dunker could be quoted as saying that he had learned considerably more than he had been aware of prior to the meeting as to the existing condition on Erskine Street. Investigation has been made of the source of the water and further, that any work done would have to be done under the jurisdiction of the Sanitary Commission. It is not known whether the Sanitary



Commission will carry the expense, however, the entire matter will be studied further.

2. Councilman Collison said that he had no further report on matters pending, except that all items were being worked on. He then reported on the proposed improvement of Maple Avenue. He said that it is required under law, whereby improvements made with the aid of Federal Funds, that the public must be advised of the proposed improvement and any interested parties invited to attend a public hearing on it. Councilman Collison moved that the Committee be given authority to advertise the fact that the City is going to make an improvement of Maple Avenue. Upon being seconded by Councilman McKenzie, and put to question, the motion was carried.

3. Councilman Collison reported that from Lincoln Avenue North to Mississippi Avenue, there is a sewer line that will have to be lowered, in order to improve that part of Maple Avenue. He said that the WSSC will pay half the cost for work. The complete job will cost \$12,000.00, thus leaving the City's share at \$6,000.00. This work must be done before the State Roads Commission moves in. The Public Works Committee moves accordingly, that the Sanitary Commission be authorized to proceed along the terms as outlined, the City's portion of expense to come from the Reserve Fund. He further stated that this sum need not come out of the present budget, but could be allocated in next year's. The following Ordinance was moved for adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 1588

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

Section 1. THAT in order to further expedite the proposed Improvement of Maple Avenue, such improvement to be handled with Federal Aid Highway Funds;

Section 2. AND THAT the Public Works Committee has been authorized to advertise the proposed improvement, in compliance with law;

Section 3. AND FURTHER THAT in order to begin the Improvement of Maple Avenue, it is necessary to lower the storm sewer from Lincoln Avenue, North to Mississippi Avenue;

Section 4. THEREFORE THAT the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission be authorized to proceed with work in accordance with terms outlined;

Section 5. THAT the cost of project to be the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$12,000.00), with WSSC and the City of Takoma Park sharing equally.

Section 6. AND THAT the sum of SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,000.00) be taken from the Reserve Fund to cover the City's share of the expense.

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, Councilwoman Monitor, Councilmen Roth, Sidell and Turner. Nays: None.

4. Councilman Collison concurred with Councilwoman Monitor's statements concerning the park shelters. He commented on the Heffner Park Community Center, saying that he recently became interested and wanted to know the usefulness of the building. He had conferred with the Clerk-Treasurer who gave him a clear picture as to its use, and that he was pleased with the results.



## FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee asked that the item of offer to purchase City-owned property adjacent to John Nevins Andrews School be removed from his Committee, inasmuch as it is being taken care of by the Civic Improvements Committee.
2. Councilman Forshee moved the adoption of an Ordinance setting the Fire Tax Rate for Montgomery County areas being served by the Takoma Park Fire Department at 12¢ per hundred assessable base:

## ORDINANCE NO. 1589

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

Section 1. THAT the Montgomery County Fire Tax Area outside the City City Limits being protected by the Takoma Park Fire Department, be set at a tax rate of 12¢ per hundred assessable base.

Section 2. AND THAT Montgomery County continue to assess, collect, and remit the Fire Tax against the assessable property within said County outside the City Limits, now being protected by the City Fire Department.

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

4. Councilman Forshee reported on the request of the Library Board for an additional appropriation of \$12,000.00 to their budget for the next fiscal year. He said that the Finance Committee has considered this request, however, at present, it is the opinion of the Committee that the Library should know what they can depend on now. He suggested a special appropriation, at this time, of \$1,000.00 to help them out in covering their immediate expenses. He said that this would at least help in repair of books, necessary supplies, etc., and so moved the adoption of an Ordinance. Councilman Roth concurred with his statements.

## ORDINANCE NO. 1590

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

Section 1. THAT inasmuch as the Finance Committee of the City Council has determined that the Takoma Park Maryland Library is in need of additional funds to cover expenses until the end of the present fiscal budget year;

Section 2. THAT the sum of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) be appropriated from the Reserve Fund to cover these expenses.

Upon being duly seconded, and put to question, the above Ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, McKenzie, Councilwoman Monitor, Councilmen Roth, Sidell and Turner. Nays: None. It was also pointed out, it is the hope of the Library Board to establish a 48 hour work week, however, to do this, means the hiring of additional personnel. Councilman Forshee further requested that a letter be sent to the Library Board explaining the decision of the Council.

Councilman Forshee announced it is planned to hold a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for 1960-61, on May 10th.



LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

- 1. Councilman Turner reported that at the recent meeting to review final suggestions and items concerning the codification of the City Laws and Ordinances, that certain ones had been turned over to the Corporation Counsel for review. He especially informed Mr. Mandel, that it is hoped to have the rough draft in the hands of the printer very soon.
- 2. Councilman Turner commended the efforts of Private Walter of the Police Department for his efficient handling of a recent hit and run accident, and said that Chief Foster can be very proud of his Department.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

- 1. Councilman McKenzie reported that the Public Works Department received its new trash truck this date, also that the new pick-up truck has arrived.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

- 1. Councilman Sidell said the request for light on Wyatt Lane can be removed from the agenda, inasmuch as the property is being sold.
- 2. Councilman Sidell reported on the timing of the traffic light at Carroll and Ethan Allen Avenues. He said that Chief of Police Foster checked the timing and the complete operation takes about 81 seconds, also that the present solution would be to hold the walk light for a three second interval before going to the next cycle. Councilman Colli-son said he believed the problem is beginning to work in the right direction. Councilman Sidell further reported that the Public Works Department has repainted the white lines. There were statements made concerning the traffic sign that directs traffic from Ethan Allen into the intersection, as to not being too visible. This will be checked into.
- 3. Councilman Sidell reported on the request for study for Takoma Park Cab Licensing in Prince George's County Section only. He said that he had spoken to the gentleman originating the request and that it had been set aside for the moment, therefore, asked that the item be removed from the agenda until such time the originators bring it to light again.
- 4. Councilman Sidell reported on the complaint of increasingly heavy traffic on Wildwood Drive; after investigation, this complaint concerned a request for a stop sign at Cole and Ann Streets, however, it was determined that the sign was not necessary; and that the item, "Heavy foliage at Cole and Ann Streets" be placed back on the agenda.
- 5. Councilman Sidell reported on the request by D. C. Transit System, Inc., to establish bus stops within the City Limits, and moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1591

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

Section 1. THAT the D. C. Transit System, Inc., be authorized to inaugurate bus service over City streets within corporate limits, schedule to become effective April 4, 1960.

Section 2. AND THAT permission is hereby given to place the following bus stops:

- On East-West Highway
  - North side, east of Kentland Avenue
  - South side, west of Kentland Avenue(Extd.)
  - North side, east of New Hampshire Avenue



South side, east of New Hampshire Avenue  
(East of Mighty Mo Driveway)

On Ethan Allen Avenue

North side, east of Elm Avenue  
North side, west of Elm Avenue  
North side, east of Prince George's Avenue (Extd.)  
South side, west of Prince George's Avenue  
North side, east of Jackson Avenue  
South side, west of Jackson Avenue (Extd.)  
South side, west of Sycamore Avenue (in front of Safeway Store)  
North side, east of Carroll Avenue

On Philadelphia Avenue

North side, east of Park Avenue  
South side, east of Park Avenue  
North side, east of Maple Avenue  
South side, east of Cedar Avenue  
North side, east of Holly Avenue  
South side, west of Holly Avenue  
North side, east of Takoma Avenue  
South side, west of Takoma Avenue  
North side, east of Chicago Avenue  
South side, west of Chicago Avenue

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

6. Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1583 as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 1592

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

Section 1. THAT Section 2 of Ordinance No. 1583, adopted by the Mayor and City Council on March 14, 1960 be deleted in its entirety and the following substituted:

Section 2. AND THAT the first eight angular parking spaces, beginning at the driveway curb cut West of the Post Office Building, East toward the City Boundary Line be limited to TWENTY-FOUR MINUTE parking, one cent for each twelve minutes, from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M., except on Sundays and Holidays, such eight spaces to be equipped with appropriate parking meters.

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

Mayor Miller spoke on the Inauguration Services held on March 23rd, for Dr. Charles B. Hirsch as President of the Washington Missionary College; He also spoke very highly of the Dedication Services of the new Grace Methodist Church, held on Sunday, March 27th.

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

*George M. Miller*

Mayor

*Haynes M. Lidger*

Clerk-Treasurer