

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLANDEXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

APRIL 13, 1964

The Mayor and Council for the City of Takoma Park convened in Executive Session in the Council Room #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland, on April 13, 1964 at 8:05 p.m.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Miller	Corporation Counsel Gingerich
Councilman Collison	Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen
Councilman Forshee	Chief Foster, Police Dept.
Councilman Jones	Chief LaScola, Fire Dept.
Councilman Kennedy	Director of Public Works Rhodes
Councilman McKenzie	Building Inspector Williams
Councilman Roth	Deputy Chief DeKalb, Fire Dept.
Councilman Turner	

Mayor Miller led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Miller called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting held on March 23, 1964. The motion was presented by Councilman Collison and seconded by Councilman McKenzie. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Mayor Miller welcomed the 8th grade students from John Nevins Andrews School; their teacher, Mrs. Marie Spangler; the principal, Mrs. Miriam Tymeson and former Councilman, Mr. Sidney Tymeson. Mrs. Tymeson had expressed her wish for the 8th grade Civic Class to visit the Mayor and Council during session in order that they might observe the workings of the Council and the administration of the Oath of Office.

Mayor Miller at this time introduced each of the Councilmen individually and commented on the particular committees that they preside over. He then issued the Oath of Office to the new Council. The new Council members are: Councilmen Robert W. Collison, Clayton D. Forshee, Russell B. Jones, George B. Kennedy, Gibson E. McKenzie, John D. Roth and Edwin S. Turner.

Mayor Miller issued a Proclamation designating April 19 through May 16 as "Clean Up! Paint Up! Fix Up!" time for the City of Takoma Park. During this time there will be special trash pick-ups by the Public Works Department on April 22nd, April 29th, May 6th and May 13th. He commented that this Campaign is sponsored by the Mayor and City Council, Takoma Park Police Department, Takoma Park Fire Department and the Takoma Park Public Works Department.

Mayor Miller issued a Proclamation designating the week between April 26 and May 2, 1964 as "White Cane Week" in the City of Takoma Park. The Lions Club of Takoma Park in cooperation with other Lions Clubs in District 22C plan to raise funds to be used in the conservation of sight, the prevention of blindness and assisting the blind, especially the children so afflicted. He called upon all departments of the City, its commercial organizations, civic clubs, churches, schools, youth clubs and all other associations and the citizens in general to participate in this community program to insure its success.

Mayor Miller commented that a Proclamation will be issued in observance of Boy's Club Week, May 11 through May 23, at which time they will hold their annual fund drive, and urged everyone to participate in this worthwhile endeavor.



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1 Mr. Michael Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue, City: Commented that the cherry blossoms on Boyd Avenue, between Aspen and Lincoln Avenues are beautiful and that the owners have put spot lights on the trees so the citizens might enjoy them too. Suggested that if the Mayor and Council and the audience had time to drive by after the Council Meeting, it would be worth their while.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Clerk-Treasurer reporting

1. Honorable Gilbert Gude, Senator, Montgomery County: Regarding matters of legislation before General Assembly at last Session. (Council as a Whole)
2. Honorable Frank J. Lastner, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Prince George's County: Acknowledgment of Mayor Miller's letter supporting the proposed Budget for the Recreation Department. (Parks and Recreation)
3. Honorable John W. Callahan, Chairman, Prince George's County Municipal Association: Notice of Meeting April 16, 1964, 8:00 p.m., City Hall, Greenbelt, Maryland. (Council as a Whole)
4. Fire Chief David B. Gratz, Silver Spring Maryland Volunteer Fire Department: Congratulations upon the re-election of Mayor Miller. (Council Files)
5. Mr. Charles B. Hirsch, President, Columbia Union College: Congratulations upon the re-election of Mayor Miller. (Council Files)
6. Mr. Ernest J. Wolfe, President, Takoma Park Chapter 357, National Association of Retired Civil Employees: Requesting a meeting of the City Council to consider housing for the elderly. (Civic Improvements)
7. Mr. R. Deane Shure, #8 Pine Avenue, City: Complaints
  - (a) "Grave yard" of impounded cars on lot opposite #8 Columbia Avenue. (Civic Improve.)
  - (b) Stray dog control. (Civic Improvements)
8. Mr. Albert V. Ceccone, 6710 Westmoreland Avenue, City: Regarding the remodeling of house at location into three apartments. (Public Welfare)

9. Mrs. Ralph Cross, 962 Hamilton Street, Jacksonville, Florida: Invitation to the marriage of her daughter Virginia Minta to Mr. Roland Linwood Edwards on Saturday, May 2.

Reported that in the Montgomery County Council Minutes of March 24, 1964, it was recorded that upon motion of Councilman Hepburn, duly seconded and carried without objection, the Council instructed the Department of Public Works to prepare a Resolution to deny the abandonment of Division Street.

Montgomery Junior College: Reported that in the Montgomery County Council Minutes of March 31, 1964, it was recorded that upon motion of Councilman Floyd, duly seconded, Resolution No. 5-976 was adopted without objection, concurring in the action of the Board of Trustees for Montgomery Junior College in taking action to formally cancel the projects for a new gymnasium and library addition at the Takoma Park Campus and in releasing the \$175,000 of State funds allocated for reimbursement for the above noted projects.

Reported that the Montgomery County Health Department has requested permission to place signs on stakes at strategic points in the City publicizing the Sabin Polio Vaccine to be given throughout the metropolitan area April 19, May 17 and June 14. (Law Enforcement & Public Welfare)



FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen reporting

See last page of minutes for statement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE: Councilman McKenzie reporting

1. Residential Record Ordinance: Reported that the Ordinance is still under consideration.
2. 7105 Poplar Avenue: Reported that a meeting has been scheduled for next week covering this problem.
3. Housing Inspections, etc.: Reviewed the building operations for the month of March reporting 12 housing inspection, 8 re-inspections, 26 investigations concerning trash and debris, 9 rodent control inspections, 5 inspections with Montgomery County Health Department, 4 Seminar Meetings and 1 Metropolitan Council of Governments Meeting.

Councilman McKenzie reported that a meeting would be scheduled soon with Mr. Albert Ceccone, of 6710 Westmoreland Avenue to discuss his problems.

At this time, Teddy Wilson, Class President of the John Nevins Andrews 8th Grade Class thanked the Mayor and Council and commented they hoped to come back again.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE: Councilman Kennedy reporting

1. K-9 Police Dog: Reported there will be a committee meeting next week to discuss this offer.
2. Fenton Street - Between Takoma Ave. and the overpass: Reported that a letter had been received from a Mr. David Rubin, 2011 Hermitage Avenue, Wheaton, Maryland relative to the traffic hazard on Fenton Street between Takoma Avenue and the overpass (R.R.) near the College where allowance is made for two parking spaces. Commented the Committee would check into the matter but felt the traffic problem would improve with existing regulations.
3. Parking Meter Maintenance: Reported that Cpl. Olson has requested to be relieved of parking meter maintenance and that Chief Foster had appointed Pvt. Flanagan to this duty, effective May 1, 1964.
4. Meter Summons: Reviewed the meter summons for the month of March reporting 193 meter summons written, 110 paid, 83 not paid. Of those not paid 24 were from inoperative meters, 7 out of state and 52 are being followed up.
5. Montgomery Junior College: After considerable discussion relative to the Montgomery County Council adopting Resolution No. 5-976 cancelling the projects for a new gymnasium and library addition at the Takoma Park campus and releasing the \$175,000 of State funds allocated for reimbursement, a motion was presented to have the Clerk-Treasurer transmit a strongly worded letter to the president of the Montgomery County Council deploring the fact that such action was taken. The motion was seconded by Councilman Roth and duly carried.

SPECIAL LIBRARY COMMITTEE: Councilman Roth reporting

1. Library Equipment: The following Ordinance was proposed:



SPECIAL LIBRARY COMMITTEE, continued  
Library Equipment:

ORDINANCE NO. 1791

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

- SECTION 1. THAT after having been duly advertised in accordance with law, bids were publicly opened on March 17, 1964 for new equipment needed at the City Library, AND,
- SECTION 2. THAT the bid submitted by Chas. G. Stott & Co., Inc. meets all requirements for specific equipment, THEREFORE
- SECTION 3. THAT the contract be awarded to Chas. G. Stott & Co, Inc. in the net sum of FOUR HUNDRED, TWENTY EIGHT DOLLARS, TWENTY ONE CENTS (\$428.21) AND
- SECTION 4. THAT the bid submitted by Executive Interiors, Inc. meets all requirements for specific equipment, THEREFORE
- SECTION 5. THAT the contract be awarded to Executive Interiors, Inc. in the net sum ONE HUNDRED, FIVE DOLLARS, SIXTY CENTS (\$105.60) AND
- SECTION 6. THAT the sums stated in Section Three and Section Five of this Ordinance be transferred from the SPECIAL LIBRARY FUND to account No. 19.103.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Kennedy and the Ordinance adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

2. Equipment: Motion presented to purchase one new Royal MC-13 typewriter and a card strip cylinder attachment in the gross amount of \$229.75 less a trade in for one used Royal machine #HHE4871744 in the amount of \$45.00 for the net sum of \$184.75 to be transferred from the SPECIAL LIBRARY FUND to Account No. 19.103. The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and duly carried.

It was mentioned that the remaining typewriter is to be rebuilt and further investigation will be made for the need of venetian blinds and new lighting over shelving.

Councilman Collison reported that the Library Board is planning to send a letter of invitation to Library card holders to join the Takoma Park Maryland Library Association. Stated the cost for this should be under \$200.00. The Committee plans to send another letter later on to non-subscribing members.

FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE: Councilman Turner reporting

1. Apparatus Repair - Account No. 11.212D6: Commended Chief LaScola in handling this account so carefully, and that he should continue to maintain the apparatus as necessary.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE: Councilman Roth reporting

1. Lockney Avenue: Commented that a survey was made recently relative to single family residences and it was observed that a dwelling in the 7800-7900 Block of Lockney Avenue was listed as a single family dwelling but there is reason to believe this is a four apartment building. Felt this matter should be checked into.



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE: Councilman Jones reporting

1. City Parks: Reported there have been no changes in the recreation set up and things are progressing for the summer program.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Collison reporting

No report at this time.

Azalea Committee: Councilman Collison reported that the Azalea Committee is giving away a free azalea to each blood donor in an effort to promote the Blood Mobile as well as the beautification program.

Councilman Turner commended the Suburban Record for their excellent article on the 74th Anniversary of the Founding of Takoma Park.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Forshee reporting

1. Certificates of Indebtedness: The following Ordinance was proposed:

ORDINANCE NO. 1792

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

SECTION 1. THAT by virtue of the authority vested in the City Council of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland under Section 1426(h) of the City Charter, printed in 1953, also known as Section 48.9(h) of the Montgomery County Code (1960) and Section 1426(h) of the Prince George's County Code (1953), the said Council hereby directs that the City of Takoma Park shall borrow under the authority so vested, the sum of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000.00) for the purpose of replenishing the General Fund until such time as other revenues due the City are fully collected, AND;

SECTION 2. THAT a "NOTICE TO BIDDERS" be inserted in the Suburban Record in each of two successive weeks, April 13, 1964, and April 20, 1964, reading as follows: "In compliance with the provisions of the City Charter and in accordance with Ordinance duly adopted by the Mayor and City Council on April 13, 1964, The City of Takoma Park, Maryland will issue TWO Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) each, one dated May 1, 1964, to be paid on or before November 1, 1964 and the other to be dated June 1, 1964 and to be paid on or before December 1, 1964, for the purpose of replenishing the General Fund of the City until such time as other revenues due the City are fully collected. Sealed bids in writing for these Certificates of Indebtedness indicating the rate of interest to be charged will be received in the Office of the City Clerk-Treasurer, #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland until 4:00 p.m., April 27, 1964."

SECTION 3. THEREFORE THAT the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer are authorized and directed to execute TWO Certificates of Indebtedness, one to bear date May 1st, 1964, in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (50,000.00) to be payable on or before November 1, 1964, and the other to be dated June 1st, 1964 in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) to be payable on or before December 1, 1964, with interest payable at maturity, Certificates to be in the following form:



FINANCE COMMITTEE, continued  
Ordinance No. 1792 continued

United States of America

State of Maryland

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK  
CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS  
Issue of 1964

No. 1 of 1964 (No. 2 of 1964)  
\$50,000.00 (\$50,000.00)

Takoma Park, Maryland

The City of Takoma Park, a Body Politic and Corporate, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland, does hereby certify that it is indebted to the bearer hereof, or if registered otherwise than to bearer, then to the registered holder hereof, in the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00), which said sum it promises to pay to the bearer, or to the registered holder, as the case may be on or before November 1st, 1964 (on or before December 1st, 1964) together with interest thereon from the date hereof at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ per centum per annum, payable at maturity.

Both the principal and the interest of this Certificate of Indebtedness are payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the Suburban Trust Company, Carroll and Willow Avenues, Takoma Park, Maryland.

This Certificate of Indebtedness is issued pursuant to the authority granted by the General Assembly of Maryland.

Said Certificates of Indebtedness is also issued in accordance with Ordinance No. 1792 duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Takoma Park on the 13th Day of April, 1964.

This Certificate of Indebtedness is exempt from all state, county, and municipal taxation in the State of Maryland and the full faith and credit of the Mayor and Council and of the City of Takoma Park is hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the same and of the interest to accrue hereon.

This Certificate of Indebtedness may be registered both as to principal and interest in the owner's name on the Registration Books kept at the Office of the Mayor and Council of the City of Takoma Park at #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland.

It is hereby certified and recited that all Acts, conditions and things required to happen, exist and be performed, exist and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by the laws and Constitution of Maryland and the Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Takoma Park, and that together with all other obligations of the City of Takoma Park issued and outstanding under the provisions of its Charter, the total of such obligations do not exceed the total amount authorized by law.

In Testimony Whereof, the Council of the City of Takoma Park, acting for and in behalf of said City, has caused this Certificate be to signed by its Mayor, its Corporate Seal to be affixed hereto, attested by its Clerk, this first day of May, A. D. 1964 (first day of June A. D. 1964).

ATTESTED:

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Clerk-Treasurer

The City of Takoma Park

BY: George M. Miller  
MAYOR



FINANCE COMMITTEE, continued  
Ordinance No. 1792, continued

The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

- 2. Budget Hearing: Announced that the Budget will be presented for public hearing and review on May 4, 1964 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Gymnasium and the City Office will circulate copies of same as soon as possible.
- 3. Insurance Buyers' Council: Motion was proposed to renew the contract with the Insurance Buyers' Council for consultation services for the sum of \$500.00 covering the period ending March 31, 1965. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jones and duly carried.
- 4. Multi-family Trash Collection: Announced that the Finance Committee is convinced there exists an inequity in the distribution of costs for refuse collection due to multi occupancy of many properties in the City. The Committee has studied this situation thoroughly and determined that a service charge should be levied against properties in multi-family use. A copy of an ordinance drafted by the Corporation Counsel at the request of the Committee was distributed to the Mayor and Council for consideration. The matter is to be thoroughly reviewed at the Public Hearing on the Budget.

COUNCIL AS A WHOLE:

1. Laurel Avenue: Councilman Jones pointed out that the condition of the sidewalks and curbs are in deplorable condition, particularly considering that this is a main ingress to the City. He pointed out that reconstruction of the sidewalks has been delayed due to the fact that many of the store fronts rest on the concrete constituting the first three feet of the sidewalk. Councilman Jones suggested that reconstruction follow a line approximately 3 feet out from the store fronts which would prevent damage and still provide ample walkway space for pedestrians. He also suggested that curbs be reconstructed. Councilman Collison stated that it was his hope that funds will be provided in the new Budget for some major sidewalk and street repairs.

Mayor Miller instructed the Clerk-Treasurer to write a letter to officials of the Citizens Bank of Maryland to arrange a meeting between City officials and Bank officials. The Mayor stated that at this meeting the sidewalk situation as well as the plans for the future redevelopment of the Block should be thoroughly discussed.

2. Maple Avenue: Councilman Collison commented he had received a telephone call from a personal friend of his, an official of the Federal Bureau of Public Roads, who informed him that there does not appear to be any further possible Federal Aid available in connection with the \$13,000.00 bill received from the State Roads Commission on the Maple Avenue project. He pointed out that the friend had investigated this as a result of the letter written by Mayor Miller to Congressman Sickles regarding the matter.

3. Anne Street: Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen gave a brief report of the twenty three replies received from twenty nine letters mailed requesting opinions concerning the construction and assessment for a sidewalk along Anne Street. He stated that he anticipated further answers including one from the Giant Food properties.

At this time, Mayor Miller extended Happy Birthday Greetings to Mrs. Colin Thompson of the Suburban Record.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m. to reconvene in Regular Session on April 27, 1964 at 8:00 p.m.

Attest: Harold M. Pridgen  
Clerk-Treasurer

Approved: George M. Miller  
Mayor



FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen reportingBANK BALANCE AS OF MARCH 31, 1964SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY-CITIZENS BRANCHGENERAL FUND

Balance as of February 29, 1964	\$ 18,148.59	
*Plus: March 1964 Receipts	53,123.66	
Plus: Transfer funds from Sub. Trust Co., Takoma Br.	1,987.69	
Plus: Transfer funds from Citizens Bank of Maryland	<u>1,550.47</u>	\$ 74,810.41
Less: March Disbursements		<u>47,131.03</u>
Balance as of March 31, 1964		<u>\$ 27,679.38</u>

SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY-TAKOMA BRANCHGENERAL FUND

Balance as of February 29, 1964	\$ 2,037.69	
Less: Transfer to Citizens Branch	<u>1,987.69</u>	
Balance as of March 31, 1964		<u>\$ 50.00</u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLANDGENERAL FUND

Balance as of February 29, 1964	\$ 1,600.47	
Less: Transfer to Citizens Branch	<u>1,550.47</u>	
Balance as of March 31, 1964		<u>\$ 50.00</u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLANDSPECIAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Balance as of February 29, 1964	\$ 7,922.07	
No transactions during March	<u>-----</u>	
Balance as of March 31, 1964		<u>\$ 7,922.07</u>

SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY-CITIZENS BRANCH

Certificates of Deposit

\$ 25,000.00

\*Includes transfer of Certificates of Deposits totaling \$50,000.00.



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CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Miller	Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen
Councilman Collison	Chief LaScola, Fire Dept.
Councilman Forshee	Captain Merson, Police Dept.
Councilman Jones	Director of Public Works Rhodes
Councilman Kennedy	Building Inspector Williams
Councilman McKenzie	Deputy Chief DeKalb, Fire Dept.
Councilman Roth	
Councilman Turner	

The Invocation was rendered by Councilman Clayton D. Forshee.

Mayor Miller led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Miller called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting held on April 13, 1964. The motion was presented by Councilman McKenzie and seconded by Councilman Kennedy. The minutes were approved as submitted.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Clerk-Treasurer reporting

1. Mr. George N. Lewis, Jr., Traffic Engineering Divison, State Roads Commission: Report on Special Studies - 1589 concerning intersection of New Hampshire Avenue and Larch Avenue. (Law Enforcement)
2. Mr. Frederick G. Taylor, 113 Sherman Avenue, City: Complaint of conditions at 111 Sherman Avenue. (Public Works and Public Welfare)
3. Mrs. Mitchell J. Bushery, 8102 Kennewick Avenue, City: Complaint of fence opening into shopping Center from Kennewick Avenue. (Public Welfare)
4. Mr. John M. Manly, 40 Oswego Avenue, City: Request for fence between her property and Heffner Park playground at 42 Oswego Avenue. (Parks and Recreation)
5. Mr. W. A. Koier, 1121 Chickasaw Drive, Silver Spring, Md.: Request for a meeting to discuss two family occupancy permit for 219 Manor Circle, City. (Public Welfare)
6. Mr. John B. Shepherd, 7705 Takoma Avenue, City: Commendation of Fire Department. (Fire Protection)
7. Mr. James A. Hash, President, Lincoln Valley Citizens Association: Recommendation that Z.A.P. #5614, #5615, #5616 Asher Investment Company property along New Hampshire Avenue near Larch and Elm Avenue be denied R-10 Zone. (Civic Improvements)

MAYOR MILLER'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Miller stated that a letter had been received addressed to the Mayor and Council from a member of the Volunteer Fire Department making a complaint against Councilman Turner. A copy of the letter has been turned over to Councilman Turner and to the Corporation Counsel. Mayor Miller stated the matter had been reviewed by the Council and it is their opinion that this is a personal matter to be handled by the parties involved.



Mayor Miller's Comments, continued

Mayor Miller stated that the National Police Officers Association of America is awarding the Takoma Park Police Department the Walker Safety Award for the year 1963. The Certificate will be presented at the next Council Meeting, May 11, during National Police Week May 10th through the 15th.

Mayor Miller announced the new Council Committee assignments as follows: Civic Improvements Committee - John D. Roth, Chairman; George B. Kennedy, Vice Chairman; Russell B. Jones, Member. Finance Committee - Clayton D. Forshee, Chairman; Robert W. Collison, Vice Chairman; Edwin S. Turner, Member. Fire Protection Committee - Edwin S. Turner, Chairman; John D. Roth, Vice Chairman; Clayton D. Forshee, Member. Law Enforcement Committee - George B. Kennedy, Chairman; Clayton D. Forshee, Vice Chairman; Gibson E. McKenzie, Member. Library Committee - John D. Roth, Chairman; Robert W. Collison, Vice Chairman; Edwin S. Turner, Member. Parks and Recreation Committee - Russell B. Jones, Chairman; Edwin S. Turner, Vice Chairman; John D. Roth, Member. Public Welfare Committee - Gibson E. McKenzie, Chairman; Russell B. Jones, Vice Chairman; Robert W. Collison, Member. Public Works Committee - Robert W. Collison, Chairman; Gibson E. McKenzie, Vice Chairman; George B. Kennedy, Member. Mayor pro tem - Councilman Robert W. Collison.

Commented that he would be attending an Executive Meeting of the American Municipal Association April 28 through May 1, and that Mayor pro tem Collison would take care of any problems that might arise in his absence.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Mr. James Hash, President, Lincoln Valley Citizens' Association: Commended the Mayor and Council for their past cooperation relative to zoning matters and hoped the Council would again cooperate by recommending denial for R-10 Zone in application Nos. A-5614, A-5615 and A-5616, Asher Investment Co.
2. Mr. Peter Menedis, 305 Grant Avenue, City: Stated that he felt the matter between Councilman Turner and himself was a City Council matter and felt he was due a public apology. The Mayor referred to his prior statement noting that it was a private matter and did not fall within the jurisdiction of the Council. Councilman Turner stated that he realized he should not have discussed the matter with Mr. Menedis while he was on the fire line. He expressed words of apology for any embarrassment that he may have caused the Mayor and Council, the Fire Department and Mr. Menedis.
3. Mr. Max Chapman, 906 Larch Avenue, City: Commented that he wished to echo Mr. Hash's comments with reference to the cooperation they have received from the Council regarding zoning matters especially as related to his previous presentation in behalf of the citizens living in the proximity of Block 33, B. F. Gilbert Subdivision. Stated that as the Council knows a series of protests have been filed against the rezoning of the wooded area on New Hampshire Avenue between Larch and Sligo Creek Parkway. Requested the support of the Council in recommending denial of the R-10 Zoning for Z.A.P. Nos. A-5614, A-5615 and A-5616.
4. Mr. Michael Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue, City: Commented that some of the audience might be leaving early and wondered if Councilman Collison would say something about the azalea display at the Library. Also invited the citizens to come and see the azaleas at his home.

Councilman Collison commented that the azaleas will be on display at the Library until the end of the week and everyone is welcome.



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, continued

5. Mr. Jay Jones, 10-A Manor Circle, City: Stated it took a lot of courage for a man to make a public apology and felt Councilman Turner should be highly commended for this act.

Mayor Miller commented on the poem about Takoma Park composed by Mr. Jones and said that it should be released at an appropriate occasion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE: Councilman Kennedy reporting

1. Fenton Street: After a review of the problem by the Committee and the recommendation of Chief Foster, it has been decided the two parking spaces in question which lie between the Juniper Street Bridge and Takoma Avenue, do not impair traffic and it is, therefore, recommended that no action be taken and the item be removed from the agenda.
2. K-9 Police Dog: Stated that after considerable discussion within the Committee and upon Chief Foster's recommendation it was decided there was no need for a Police Dog at the present time. A motion was presented to instruct the Clerk-Treasurer to write a **thank** you letter to Mayor Richardson of Mt. Rainier for his kind offer of the K-9 Police Dog. The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and duly carried.
3. Langley Park Shopping Center: After considerable discussion relative to the requests for yellow lines across New Hampshire Avenue from Langley Park Shopping Center to Hampshire Langley Shopping Center and across University Blvd. from Langley Park Shopping Center to Giant Food Lansburgh Shopping Center, the matter was deferred for further consideration.
4. Columbia Union College: The following Ordinance was proposed:

ORDINANCE NO. 1793

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

SECTION 1. THAT the State Roads Commission under Special Studies - 718, on March 22, 1963, made certain recommendations to reduce pedestrian hazards along Flower Avenue (Md 787), AND,

SECTION 2. THAT parking regulations be established on Flower Avenue (Md. 787) as follows:

- (a) Establish a "No Stopping or Standing At Any Time" zone along the east side of Flower Avenue (Md. 787) beginning at the north curb line of Carroll Avenue (Md. 195) and running in a northerly direction to a point approximately 50 feet north of the north curb line of Division Street.
- (b) Establish a "No Stopping or Standing at Any Time" zone along the west side of Flower Avenue (Md. 787) beginning at the north curb line of Carroll Avenue (Md. 195) and running in a northerly direction for a distance of approximately 100 feet.
- (c) Establish a "No Parking at Any Time" zone along the west side of Flower Avenue (Md. 787) beginning at a point approximately 100 feet north of the north curb line of Carroll Avenue (Md. 195) and running in a northerly direction to the north building line of the College Store, a distance of approximately 325 feet.



LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE, continued  
Ordinance No. 1793, continued

- (d) Establish a "No Stopping or Standing at Any Time" zone along the west side of Flower Avenue (Md. 787) beginning at the north building line of the College Store, and running in a northerly direction to a point approximately 50 feet north of the north curb line of Division Street, a distance of approximately 590 feet, AND

SECTION 3. THAT the regulations as enumerated in Section 2 above be effective for the period Monday through Friday only, **thereby** excepting Saturday and Sunday from these regulations, AND

SECTION 4. THAT such regulations become effective upon the formal concurrence of the Maryland State Roads Commission.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and the Ordinance adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilman Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

5. Larch Avenue - New Hampshire Avenue: Reported that the State Roads Commission has made a very thorough report in compliance with our request for a traffic survey at the intersection of Larch and New Hampshire Avenues. Their analysis indicates that signalization of the intersection does not appear to be justified at this time. After some discussion it was decided to take the matter back to the Committee for further study before accepting the State Roads Commission report.

6. Police Cruiser: Reported that Chief Foster has requested an additional marked police cruiser. Stated that his request was based upon the fact that a three car authorization was made in July 1949 when the Department consisted of twelve men, now with a force of twenty-two men the same number of cars prevail. Stated that with the increased mileage required of the cruisers there is a constant maintenance problem. Requested the Council to take this into consideration as a capital outlay in the new budget.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE: Councilman Roth reporting

1. Z.A.P. Nos. A-5614, A-5615, A-5616: Motion presented to recommend denial of the R-10 Zone on Z.A.P. Nos. A-5614, A-5615, and A-5616, Asher Investment Company, Lots 13, 14 and 15, Block 33, B. F. Gilbert Subdivision, R-55 to R-10; Lots 10, 11, 12, 23 or 31 and 22 or 32, Block 33, B. F. Gilbert Subdivision, R-18 to R-10; Lots 27, 28 and Pt. 29, Block 33, B. F. Gilbert Subdivision, R-55 to R-10 Zone and to report the recommendation to the Park and Planning Commission and to the County Board of Commissioners of Prince George's County. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jones and duly carried. It was requested that Corporation Counsel Gingerich represent the Council at the Hearing. Councilman Jones commented that the Council and the citizens should write letters and appear in person if possible and make a strong stand on the matter.

AZALEA COMMITTEE: Councilman Collison reporting

1. Bloodmobile: Reported that an azalea plant was given to every individual who participated in the Bloodmobile program. Commented that it was the most successful bloodmobile the city has participated in with 236 people registering with only 22 rejects and 214 pints of blood donated.

2. Azalea Display: Reported that the display at the Library consists of all stages of the growth of the azalea and also gives a list of those available. The Committee feels the display will help promote the program as well as being educational.



Mrs. Vera Hash commented at this time that an Ordinance had been adopted last October by the Prince George's County Commissioners amending the zoning ordinance whereas applications can be filed only in January and July. She also stated that if an application is turned down the first time the applicant must wait eighteen months before reapplying, if again turned down he must wait two years before reapplying and if turned down the third time he can not apply again.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE: Councilman Roth reporting

1. Equipment: Reported that some equipment has been received and the staff is very appreciative.

THE FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE: Councilman Turner reporting

1. Personnel: Stated that after a lengthy and detailed investigation the Investigative Committee recommends that Pvt. Earl E. Riggs services with the Takoma Park Fire Department be terminated with two week notice, without prejudice, as of April 27, 1964, as provided under Section 24 (a) (3), Article 6 of the Municipal Code. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kennedy and duly carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE: Councilman Jones reporting

1. Playground Equipment: Commented that if the Council has no objections, he hopes to acquire the services of the Jaycees or the Veterans of Foreign Wars to paint the playground more appropriate colors and make it more desirable to the children.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Collison reporting

No report at this time.

Azalea Committee: Councilman Collison proposed the following Resolution as corrected and amended for the guidance of the Committee in selling plants:

RESOLUTION

The Takoma Park Azalea Committee, by unanimous vote, recommends to the City Council in the interest of full community participation in the Azalea Program, the following:

1) THAT plants purchased by the City be made available to the public, under stipulated conditions, through any interested recognized non-profit organization within the municipality; that such orders be limited to the City's total purchase quantity, and in pre-arranged unit lots of 50 plants, that such plants be sold to the public, under the above conditions, to encourage public subscription and to defray nominal operation and drayage costs, at ten cents per plant above the price paid by the City; AND

2) IN FURTHERANCE of this community beautification project, such plants as are available to the City also will be made available to any City employee, member of this Azalea Committee, or elected official, in lots of 25 or more, at ten cents per plant above cost, provided the plants so purchased are for the personal use of the recipient or for the benefit of the City;

3) THAT in all transactions under Sections 1 and 2 above, the purchaser shall make payment in advance to the City Office, receipt for such payment to be the authority by which the Public Works Department shall release plants to said purchaser.



Azalea Committee, continued  
Resolution continued

AND, further, it is recommended that the original Planning Azalea Committee be personally named as a ten-year permanent group commissioned by the Mayor and City Council to make Takoma Park the "Azalea City of the Nation" with reasonable autonomous authority to name subcommittees and to expend monies allotted in the budget in furtherance of this City project.

It is further recommended that the Committee be authorized to join such floricultural societies as it may deem in the interest of the program.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Jones and duly carried.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE: Councilman McKenzie reporting

1. 6710 Westmoreland Avenue: Stated that the owner had shown proof apartments were registered and everything was in order. Remove from agenda.
2. 7105 Poplar Avenue: Stated owner has agreed to give up second unit so matter has been taken care of and may be removed from the agenda.
3. 219 Manor Circle: Motion presented requesting the Clerk-Treasurer to transmit a letter to the owner stating there is nothing the City can do about rezoning the property and that he should apply for rezoning through the proper channels. The motion was seconded by Councilman Roth and duly carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, Councilman Forshee reporting

1. Budget Hearing: Commented that the Budget will be presented for public hearing and review on May 4, 1964 at 8:00 pm. at the Municipal Gymnasium and hoped all Councilmen would be present.
2. Certificates of Indebtedness: Announced that the results of the bids were Citizens Bank of Maryland 1.70% per annum and Suburban Trust Company 1.35% per annum. Motion presented to accept the low bid submitted by the Suburban Trust Company and the following Ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 1794

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

SECTION 1. THAT after having been duly advertised in accordance with Ordinance No. 1792 for the issuance of two Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of \$50,000.00 each, bids were opened on April 13, 1964, AND

SECTION 2. **THAT** the low bid submitted by the Suburban Trust Company be accepted at the rate of ONE and THIRTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS percent (1.35%) per annum, AND

SECTION 3. FURTHER THAT, Certificate No. 1 of 1964, in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) be issued and dated May 1, 1964 and to mature and become payable on or before November 1, 1964, and Certificate No. 2 of 1964, in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) be issued June 1, 1964 and to mature and become payable on or before December 1, 1964 at the interest rate of 1.35 per cent per annum.



FINANCE COMMITTEE; continued  
Ordinance No. 1794

The motion was seconded by Councilman Roth and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m. to reconvene in Executive Session May 11, 1964 at 8:00 p.m.

Attest: Haynes P. ...  
Clerk-Treasurer

Approved George M. Miller  
Mayor