

the peace, prevent disorderly or irregular meetings of persons, and he shall enforce all ordinances that may be enacted by the council; he shall serve all notices and process required by this charter, or any ordinance passed by virtue hereof, and his return duly endorsed thereon, shall be evidence of the facts therein stated.

Ibid. sec. 22.

605. The Mayor shall have all the powers of a justice of the peace in criminal cases where the town of Takoma Park is a party; he shall have power to administer oaths of office to members of council and appointed or elected officers; he shall receive the same fees as justices of the peace are allowed for similar service; and on appeal from his judgment may be taken to the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, which court shall hear and determine the matter as upon appeal from a justice of the peace; provided, however, that the justices of the peace residing in said town shall have the same power to hear, try and determine all criminal cases where the "town of Takoma Park" is a party as they now have cases where the State of Maryland is a party.

1896, ch. 310, sec. 23.

606. The bailiff shall have the same fee for making distress or levying executions as are allowed for like services by the laws of the State, and for making arrests or serving process for the violation of any ordinance of the corporation the same fees as are allowed constables for the similar services.

Ibid. sec. 24.

607. All fines, penalties and forfeitures imposed by this charter or by any ordinance of the council may be collected in the name of the "Town of Takoma Park" before the Mayor or any justice of the peace, in the same manner as small debts are collected, and the delinquent shall be committed to the town lock-up or county jail until the same is paid with costs.

Ibid. sec. 25.

608. The council shall have authority to incur indebtedness not exceeding three per cent. of the assessed value of all property within the corporate limits, in excess of the annual revenue of the town, and shall, whenever any such debt is created, provide for the payment thereof, by the issuing certificates of indebtedness, at such rate of interest as the council may deem advisable, which shall be payable within twenty years in the discretion of said council; provided, however, that no such debt shall be incurred and no such certificate of indebtedness issued, except as follows: The council shall, by