November 9, 1962

The regulat meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held November 9, 1962, at 8:00 p.m. with Mayor R. J. Lough presiding and the following council members present: E. F. Garber, R. H. Painter, H. A. Workman, M. W. Lough, and R. B. Hutton.

Guests present were Mr & Mrs Thomas Eadie, R. Loring Cover and I. F. Sandridge.

The treasurer's finance report and minutes of the last meeting were approved.

R. B. Hutton moved, seconded and passed that the following weed ordinance be adopted:

CUTTING WEEDS ON VACANT LOTS AND REMOVING TRASH,

GARBAGE, REFUSE, LITTER AND OTHER SUBSTANCES

(A) Between May 29 and June 20, and between August 1 and September 1 of each year, every owner of vacant real estate situated in the Town of Elkton shall cut the grass, weeds and other foreign growth on such property or any part thereof at such time or times as the Town Superintendent shall prescribe; or may deem it necessary, after reasonable notice, at his sole expense, cause to be cut therefrom such grass, weeds, or other foreign growth. If the owner of any such real estate is unknown when the Town Superintendent deems it necessary, after reasonable notice, have such grass, weeds, or other foreign growth cut by its own agents or employees, in which event, the cost and expenses thereof shall be chargeable to and paid by the owner of such property. That every charge authorized by this section with which the owner of any such property shall have been assessed and which remains unpaid shall constitute a lien against such property.

(B) Every owner of property situated in the Town of Elkton, shall, at such time or times as the Town Superintendent deems necessary, remove therefrom any and all trash, garbage, refuse, litter and any other substances which might endanger the health of other residents of the Town of Elkton, or the Town Superintendent, after reasonable notice, deems it necessary, have such trash, refuse, litter and other substances which might endanger the health of other residents of the Town of Elkton, removed by its own agents or employees, in which event the cost of expenses thereof shall be chargeable to and paid by the owners of such prpperty.

That every charge authorized by this section with which the owner of any such property shall have been assessed and which remains unpaid, shall constitute a lien against such property.

(C) Any owner of real estate who shall fail to cut from his real estate the weeds, grass, and other growth, or failing to remove such trash, refuse, litter and other substances after having been notified to do so by the Town Superintendent, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction therefor shall be fined not less than $5.00 nor more than $50.00 for each offense, and for the purpose of this section, each seven day period that such grass, weeds and vegetation growth remain uncut after notice to cut same shall be deemed a separate offense. Any notice required to be given the real estate owner by this section shall be served by the Police Department of the Town of Elkton, and the officer serving the notice shall make a return thereon.

(D) All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall be inforce and effect on and afther the 9th day of November, 1962.

M. W. Lough moved, secnnded by R. B. Hutton and passed that the safety committee contact the Virginia Fire Marshall to request an inspection of the old Downey building on Lewis Avenue.

Emory Lamb ask council for permission to operate a taxi cab in town. R. H. Painter moved, seconded by M. W. Lough and passed that a permit would be granted when a proper application is presented and all requirements are met according to the town ordinance.

R. H. Painter informed council that an additional filing cabinet was needed for the Police Department. The matter was tabled until next council meeting.

R. B. Hutton presented a plan to mail all town bills to customers. The matter was tabled for further study.

R. Loring Cover was present in regard to insurance being carried by the town. Mayor R. J. Lough appointed E. F. Garber, H. A. Workman, and M. W. Lough to work with Mr. Cover on an insurance plan to be presented at next council meeting.

R. Loring Cover reported to council that he was checking with the Samuel's lady that fell in the street near the Elkton Restaurant.

R. B. Hutton was appointed to check with the fire company concerning the need for fire hose.

E. F. Garber moved, seconded by R. H. Painter and passed to relieve Treasurer L. L. Lawson of the $17.16 shown in the audit report for 1962.

E. F. Garber moved, seconded by H. A. Workman and passed to accept the 1962 audit report as presented.

H. A. Workman moved, seconded by M. W. Lough and passed to have 50 copies of the audit report made to be given to town citizens.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Approved: R. J. Lough
Mayor

Recorder: L. L. Lawson