The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held March 14, 1969 at 8:00 p.m. with the Mayor Welty H. Hensley presiding. The following council members were present: Mr. I. L. Flory 111, Mr. E. F. Garber, Mr. R. G. Harman, Mr. E. O. Karow, Mr. A. R. Thompson and Mr. H. A. Workman. Mr. David C. Liskey, Town Superintendent was present.

Mr. E. F. Garber opened the meeting with prayer.

Mr. Jack Painter and Mr. Gerald Levandoski were present representing the Touch Down Club. Mr. Painter asked permission from the council to develop the section of Memorial Park which was used for a track field into a football field with lights. Mr. Painter explained that if the town gave their permission, the Touch Down Club was going to bid on the surplus poles which the town had advertised for sale March 17, 1969.

Mr. E. F. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. R. G. Harman and carried to allow the Touch Down Club to develop a midget league football field with lights in Memorial Park.

Mr. E. F. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. E. O. Karow and carried to approve the minutes of the regular meeting February 14, 1969.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to approve the minutes of the special meeting March 6, 1969.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. E. O. Karow and carried to approve the minutes of the special meeting March 10, 1969.

Mr. E. F. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. E. O. Karow and carried to approve the Finance Report.

Mr. E. F. Garber reported that the I.B.M. typewriter for the office had been purchased at $466.50, and that the Finance Committee had decided to lease the Victor calculator and adding machine at $84.65 per quarter.

Mr. Garber stated that his committee had studied some material on taxes and other sources of revenue and had made notes on the material which had to be returned right away. Mr. Garber stated that due to the increased cost of running the town, his committee felt other sources of revenue should be considered. The Finance Committee did not feel or even consider raising the utility rates but had investigated utility taxes and garbage collection fees. There may be other sources of revenue which have not been considered as yet but his committee is exploring all possibilities for the future.

Mr. Ed Higgs of Higgs & Shumate was present to discuss plans on the North Avenue Sewer Project. Mayor Hensley asked Mr. Higgs if the Highway Department had contacted him on the problem with the two inch water line and Mr. Higgs said he had met with Mr. Kurtz and that he seemed to be rather upset. Mr. Higgs said he told Mr. Kurtz that during the field inspection he remembered that the sole criterion as to how the lines would run was cost. Mayor Hensley explained to those present the problem between the State Highway Department and the Town in regards to this two inch line on the Route 33 Project East of Elkton.

There was a discussion on the proposed plans for the North Avenue Project and the following questions were discussed and Mr. Higgs was asked to consider these changes: manhole outside pump station, rearranging at Route 340, wet well design - cover top, and rough grade Lee Avenue. Mayor Hensley asked Mr. Higgs what the approximate cost would be if he prepared contracts on this project. Mr. Higgs said it would cost approximately $200.00 for both or about $30.00 less for just the pump station. Mr. Flory stated that he felt we should have Mr. Liskey get the necessary information together and present it to the contractors and eliminate formal contracts. The council informed Mr. Higgs that they would discuss this project further and notify him after they had made a decision.

Mr. Liskey reported that there was not a water line that would handle the apartment house which Mr. B. W. Gooden had been given a permit to build at the previous meeting. Mr. Liskey suggested that they tie on to the line at Jackson Avenue and run a new four inch line up "D" Street to Lewis Avenue to handle this building and future connections. He gave the following breakdown on the cost to run this line:

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| 600 ft. pipe (4") | $870.00 |
| Fire Hydrant | 175.00 |
| 2 Four Inch Valves | 120.00 |
| Digging | 400.00 |
| | $1,565.00 |

Mr. I. L. Flory 111 moved, seconded by Mr. E. F. Garber and carried to install this new water line along "D" Street at a cost of $1,565.00.

Mr. I. L. Flory 111 moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to approve a building permit for Mr. Leroy Hitt to build a storage building at 215 Washington Avenue.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. R. G. Harman and carried to approve a building permit for Mr. Harry M. Reid Jr. to build a utility building at 610 W. Spotswood Trail.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. E. F. Garber and carried to approve a building permit for Mr. B. W. Gooden to build two apartment buildings, 4 family dwellings each, on "D" Street between "D" and "C" Streets.

Mr. H. A. Workman reported that more study would have to be given to the VEPCO agreement before bringing it before the council.

Mr. A. R. Thompson reported that the Street Committee had made a survey of the streets in town and had an estimate from Painter & Mundy on the ones needing repairs:

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| Shenandoah Avenue<br>From Rt. 33 to Wirt Avenue | (310 x 18) | $ 395.00 |
| Wirt Avenue<br>From Shenandoah Ave. to Fifth St. | (685 x 18) | 865.00 |
| Sixth Street<br>From Sixth to Railroad | (265 x 18) | 336,00 |
| Summit Avenue<br>From Sixth to Railroad | (335 x 18) | 420.00 |
| Water Street<br>From Railroad to Rt. 33 | (715 x 18) | 900.00 |
| "F" Street<br>From Lee to Corp. Limits | (755 x 20) | 1,058.00 |
| Ashby Avenue<br>From "B" to "C" St. | (440 x 18) | 555.00 |
| "C" Street<br>From Ashby to Lee | (235 x 18) | 302.00 |
| | | $4,831.00 |

These estimates are based on furnishing, hauling and applying an average of 150#, (1½") per square yard of Type I-2 Bituminous Concrete.

After a discussion on the proposed paving, Mr. Liskey and Mr. Thompson stated that the last three items, "F" Street from Lee to Corp. Limits, Ashby Avenue from "B" to "C" St. and "C" Street from Ashby to Lee could be held over until fall.

Mr. A. R. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. E. F. Garber and carried to approve the paving of the proposed streets with the exception of the last three listed for an estimated cost of $2,916.00.

Mr. R. G. Harman reported that arrangements have been made to dispose of the old automobiles around town. Any interested citizens who have old automobiles which they would like to have hauled away should contact Mayor Hensley or Mr. Harman.

Mr. I. L. Flory 111 moved, seconded by Mr. E. O. Karow and carried to approve the Second Reading on the proposal by Higgs & Shumate on the North Avenue Sewer Project at the estimated fee of $2,200.00.

Mr. Fred Davis asked the council why some program wasn't set up for additional sidewalks in the town. It was explained to Mr. Davis that improvements to the sidewalks had been made last year. Mr. Davis stated that he was aware of this but felt that some program should be set up to add additional sidewalks each year or so. Mayor Hensley said that he agreed with this but that adding additional sidewalks involved quite a bit due to state regulations which require curb and gutters now.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory 111 and carried to go into Executive Session.

There was a discussion on the Police Department and the personnel in that department.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory 111 and carried to go back into Regular Session.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to hire Mr. John W. Adams as a dispatcher in the Police Department at a salary of $2,652.00 per year effective April 1, 1969.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory 111 and carried to accept the resignation of Ralph H. Kee Jr. as a Police Officer effective March 31, 1969.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. R. G. Harman and carried to hire Mr. Thomas R. Stevens as a parttime patrolman at a salary of $2.00 per hour.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to hire Mr. Lyle E. Williams as Chief of Police for a 90 day probation period at $5,300.00 per year and an increase to $6,000.00 per year at the end of 90 days if he proves himself satisfactory and to provide $100.00 for moving expenses when he moves his family.

As there was no further business, Mr. E. F. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory 111 and carried to adjourn.

MAYOR: Welty H. Hensley
Welty H. Hensley

RECORDER: Norma R. Leap
Norma R. Leap, Clerk