REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
February 14, 1972

The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held February 14, 1972 at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers with the Mayor, Edward F. Garber presiding. The following council members were present: Mr. R. E. Davis, Mr. E. O. Karow, Mr. H. A. Leet, Mr. W. H. McGahey, Mr. A. R. Thompson and Mr. H. A. Workman. Mr. C. B. Knott, Chief of Police, Mr. Marvin Hillsman, Town Attorney, Mr. D. C. Liskey, Town Superintendent and Mrs. Norma R. Leap, Clerk were also present.

Mr. Alan R. Thompson opened the meeting with prayer.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. E. O. Karow and carried to approve the minutes of the regular meeting January 10, 1972.

Mr. A. R. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to approve the Finance Report.

Mr. W. H. McGahey noted that there has not been any amount set up to pay the notes borrowed on the Town of Elkton Filteration, Reservoir & Spring Account and this should be taken care of immediately.

Mrs. Leroy Hitt came before the council in regards to the water problem at her home and asked the council to take steps to eliminate this water from running on her property. Mr. R. E. Davis and Mr. Liskey were asked to look into this situation and give Mrs. Hitt an answer as soon as possible.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. W. H. McGahey and carried to approve the Second Reading to appropriate $1608.00 to purchase a new radio, radar and walkie talkie.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Leet and carried to approve the Second Reading to purchase a new Plymouth Fury at a cost of $3,322.67 through the State Purchasing Department.

Mr. Leet's committee was asked to check into a Solicitors License.

Mr. Karow read a letter which had been sent to Chief Knott from Carroll K. Jones, Principal, Elkton High School expressing appreciation for the efficient way the bomb threat January 28, 1972 at Elkton High School was handled.

There was a discussion on the problem with the chlorinator at the well.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to purchase a hypochlorinator from Wallace & Tiernan at a cost of $305.00 to be installed immediately.

Mr. McGahey reported that he had visited Martin, Clifford & Associates office last Tuesday and they had not received the approval from the Health Department on the filtration plans for the Town of Elkton.

There was a discussion on the problem with excess water causing the sewer to back up into some of the homes in the western section of town. Mr. Liskey suggested the council consider running a 24 inch line from First Street directly to the Sewer Plant to eliminate this problem. Mr. Liskey was asked to get prices on the cost to run this line.

The council agreed that Sec. 32-33 of the Town Code which states "no downspout or surface drain from any building or area shall be connected to any sanitary sewer" would have to be strictly enforced and set a deadline of April 1, 1972 for property owners to take their downfalls out of the sewer system.

Mr. Thompson reported that Mr. Liskey has not been given any prices to repair the roof leading to the jail. He also reported that the windows of the Scout Hut have been repaired and the building is being used again.

Mr. Thompson reported that he had been contacted by Mr. Tim Haden in regards to the sidewalk in fron of the old Baugher Store Building being in such bad shape. Mr. Garber stated that the sidewalk is also in bad shape in front of his building at 212 Spotswood Avenue. Mr. Davis and his committee was asked to look into this.

Mr. Liskey reported that Mr. Robert A. Hamm of 816 Fourth Street is planning to open a Rest Home. Mr. Liskey had received a copy of a letter written by Edwin W. Davis, Chief of the Elkton Volunteer Fire Co. to Mr. James C. Shipley, District Fire Protection Engineer reporting on the preliminary fire inspection of the Hamm property made by Mr. Davis, Mr. Fidler and Mr. Hutton of the Elkton Fire Company and Fire Chief William Humes, City of Harrisonburg, Va. and listing the discrepancies they found plus their suggestions. It was pointed out that the town has no ordinance setting any restrictions for rest homes or a license fee.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to draw up an ordinance before the next meeting setting a license fee for rest homes and restrictions including the suggestions of the Fire Company.

Mr. Davis brought to the councils attention the agreement between the Town and the Rockingham County School Board in regards to a sidewalk at the new Elementary School and other items which had been discussed. Mr. Davis stated that these things would have to be considered in the near future as the school is due for completion this fall.

Mr. H. A. Leet reported on the meeting of the County Parks & Recreation Commission which he attended. There was a discussion in regards to requesting the County School Board to save the present cafeteria at the Elementary School to be used for recreational purposes.

Mr. H. A. Leet moved, seconded by Mr. E. O. Karow and carried to go on record urging the Rockingham County School Board to retain the present cafeteria at the Elkton Elementary School when they tear down the old building.

Mr. Hillsman reported that we had not received any bids on the T.V. franchise and that the town could reopen for bids. No action was taken.

The following minutes of the annual meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Elkton, Virginia held January 28, 1972 were presented:

Minutes of The Annual Meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Elkton, Virginia - Held on Friday Evening January 28, 1972.

The annual meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Elkton was held in the Town's Police Court Room on Friday evening January 28, 1972. The meeting opened at 7:45 P.M. with following members present, Chairman and Acting Secretary, S.P.H. Flick, I. L. Flory, Jr., Mr. Harold O. Baugher and Mr. John Hostettler. Mr. Hisey asked to be excused on account of a cold. Mayor Edward F. Garber was also present.

The minutes of our last meeting on January 11, 1971 were read, approved by the members present and signed by them.

The Board did not receive any appeals during the year 1971.

The following membership changes were made during 1971, Mr. Gerald J. Levandoski was appointed to take the place created by the resignation of Mr. William R. Horne and Mr. I. L. Flory was re-appointed to a term of five years expiring in March 1, 1976. An attested copy of these appointments has been received by the Board. Mr. Levandoski was transferred by his employer before serving and Mr. Harold O. Baugher was appointed by the Town Council. Mr. Baugher was present at tonights meeting but has not as yet been sworn in. Mayor Garber stated that a letter from the town's attorney would be provided Mr. Baugher and upon presentation of said letter to the Clerk of the Circuit Court he would be sworn in.

Membership of the Board as follows:

S. P. H. Flick, Chairman	3-1-68 to 3-19-73
I. L. Flory, Jr.	3-1-71 to 3-1-76
C. Z. Hisey	3-1-69 to 3-1-74
John Hostettler	3-1-70 to 3-1-75
Harold O. Baugher	3-1-72 (recommend this term run to 1977)

The $10.00 annual fee to each member of the Board has not been paid for 1971. A canvass of the members disclosed the fact that the fee

has not been paid for 1970.

Chairman Flick offered his resignation as Chairman but no other member was interested. Mr. Flory nominated S.P.H. Flick for Chairman and John Hostettler for Secretary with the proviso that the terms be for one year. Motion was seconded by Mr. Baugher and carried unamiously.

Complete minutes of this meeting will be filed as usual in the official file of the Town Treasurer.

No further business appearing the meeting was closed at 8:05 P.M.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to recommend that Mr. H. O. Baugher be reappointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a five year term.

Mayor Garber reported that he had received a letter from the Town of Broadway asking all the towns in the County to attend a meeting February 16, 1972 at 7:00 P.M. in the Community Park Building at Broadway to discuss landfill operation.

Mayor Garber reported that the Emergency Flood Insurance Program has been extended until December 31, 1973.

Mayor Garber read a letter which he had received from Charles W. Wampler Jr. inviting him to attend the Third Annual Virginia Poultry Festival Grand Parade, Friday, May 19th. at 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Garber reported on the joint meeting he attended of the Rockingham County Planning Commission, Rockingham County Board of Superivisors and Town Mayors and Councilmen. The purpose of the meeting was to review the Comprehensive Water & Sewer Survey. The Town of Elkton will not have to have the Secondary Sewer Treatment until at least 1977.

Mayor Garber contacted Mr. Moyers, Ex. Sec. of the Rockingham County Board of Supervisors in regards to the breach between the City of Harrisonburg and the Board of Supervisors on the land fill operation. Mr. Moyers said this would not affect the towns.

The council was reminded that the deadline for filing to run for office is March 7, 1972.

As there was no further business, Mr. R. E. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. E. O. Karow and carried to adjourn.

MAYOR: Edward F. Garber
Edward F. Garber, Mayor

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