REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
May 14, 1973

The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held May 14, 1973 at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers with the Mayor Edward F. Garber presiding. The following council members were present: Mr. R. R. Dean, Mr. H. A. Leet, Mr. W. H. McGahey, Mr. A. R. Thompson and Mr. H. A. Workman. Mr. Roy E. Davis was absent. Mr. Homer Ageon and Mr. William Herring, Acting Superintendents, Mr. Noah Helsley, Town Sergeant, Mr. Marvin Hillsman, Town Attorney and Mrs. Norma R. Leap, Clerk were also present.

Mr. Thompson opened the meeting with prayer.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Leet and carried to approve the minutes of the regular meeting April 9, 1973.

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

Mr. A. R. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. W. H. McGahey to appropriate $1031.45 for work done by Dean Lumber Company at the Police Station. Mr. Hillsman pointed out that this was a conflict of interest. Mr. Dean offered to donate the work rather than be involved in a conflict of interest. The motion was withdrawn and the matter tabled.

Mr. A. R. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to approve the First Reading to appropriate $15,500.00 from the Revenue Sharing Account to pay for the new garbage truck.

Mr. Leet reported that the work at the dump has been completed except for fertilizing and seeding at a total cost of $9,152.80. He also reported that this is Clean Up Week.

Mr. Leet presented a proposed ordinance change in Sec. 26-16 which would be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 26-16. Schedule for the collection of and charges for hauling garbage, etc.

The schedule for collection of garbage, trash, refuse and other similar matter shall be as follows:

(a) Commercial or business areas: On Monday and Thursday of each week.

(b) Residential area: On Friday of each week.

(c) Starting July 1, 1973 the following charge per month will be assessed for the collection and hauling of garbage, trash, etc.

Residences

$1.50 where generally no more than 2 containers per week.
$2.50 where generally more than 2 but no more than 5 containers per week.
$5.00 where generally more than 5 containers per week.

Businesses

For purposes of garbage collection the businesses shall be classified and charged by size based on the approximate time required to collect and load their garbage.

$5.00 small business generally requiring no more than 5 minutes per pick up.
$10.00 medium business generally requiring no more than 15 minutes per pick up.
$25.00 large business generally requiring more than 15 minutes per pick up.

The town superintendent shall determine the charges to individuals and businesses based on past experience. He may change these classifications over periods of time if the quantity or arrangement of the pick up warrants it.

(d) Trash requiring special handling primarily because of regulations at the land fill are as follows: (1) Concrete chunks, large rocks, old stoves, furnances, metal pipe, etc; (2) Tree limbs and trunks over 3 inches in diameter but not to exceed 8 feet in length; (3) Stumps: (4) Other large and heavy solid objects.

These items will be picked up normally on the third Wednesday of each month upon notification by individuals to the town office. A minimum charge of $1.00 will be made for each pick up. Where the quantity is large an additional charge will be determined by the superintendent.

(e) Items not allowed by the land fill will not be picked up. Some of these items are as follows: hazardous materials such as poisons, acids, explosives, etc.; dead animals or parts there of; tree trimings over 3 inches in diameter and more than 8 feet long.

Mr. H. A. Leet moved, seconded by Mr. R. R. Dean and carried to have a Public Hearing, May 29, 1973 on the proposed amendment ordinance Sec. 26-16 to include a charge for picking up garbage, trash, refuse and other matter.

Mr. Leet reported that Mr. Herring had been approached by Mr. Celdon Kite in regards to draining the water in Memorial Park and had indicated they would grant the town an easement across their land to drain the area. Monger Brothers has unofficially been contacted to give an estimate on the cost of this project.

Mr. Dean reported that he has not received any prices on the sidewalk at the Tastee Freez as yet. He also reported that he had been contacted by several residents on East Rockingham Street who would like the town to limit parking to one side on E. Rockingham Street from Stuart Avenue to Jackson Avenue.

Mr. R. R. Dean moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to limit parking to one side only on East Rockingham Street from Stuart Avenue to Jackson Avenue with the choice of side left to the Police Department.

Mr. R. R. Dean presented quotes from the Elkton Paving, Inc. on paving fifteen streets at a total cost of $23,076.00.

Mr. R. R. Dean moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to approve the First Reading to appropriate $13,261.00 to have the Elkton Paving Company pave the following streets with plant mix:

6th. Street (Summit to Prospect) 20' x 330' - Grade, roll, add 60 Tons Stone, Prime and apply 2" Blackbase.	$ 1,922.00
Prospect to Railroad 20' x 420' - Prime and apply 2" Blackbase.	1,819.00
6th. Street (Fairfax to Washington) 18' x 310' - apply 1" of S-5 Plant Mix.	720.00
Washington (6th. to 7th. Street) 18' x 686' - apply 1" of S-5 Plant Mix.	1,580.00
Marshall Ave. (6th. to new pavement) 19' x 400' - apply 1" of S-5 Plant Mix.	980.00
C Street (Stuart to Hill Ave.) 18' x 324' - apply 1" of S-5 Plant Mix.	760.00
B Street (340 to Warren) 18' x 1095' - 1" S-5.	2,520.00
Terrace Ave. (E St. to Ashby) 18'x 722' - apply 1" S-5 Plant Mix.	1,660.00
F St. 175' (from Jackson Ave.) 18' x 175' apply 1½" S-5 Plant Mix.	600.00
Barkman Ave. (F to Corp. Limit) 18' x 210' apply 1½" of S-5 Plant Mix.	700.00
	$13,261.00

Mr. Dean presented a request from Mr. Ziegler, Principal of the Elkton Elementary School, asking the town to share half of the cost of widening the present sidewalk in front of the elementary school and constructing of a new sidewalk from the present sidewalk west to near Terrace Ave. Mr. Herring was asked to get some measurements to bring back to the next meeting.

Mr. Herring reported that two representatives from the State Highway Department met with Mrs. Leap and him in regards to the records needed on the money the Town receives on the Highway Upkeep Grant, and how the money can be used.

Mr. Ageon reported that Mr. Herring and him feel the Town should purchase a chipper and that after reviewing the different chippers they feel the Wayne Chipper from Shaffer Equipment Company at a cost of $5100.00 would be the best one to purchase.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to approve the First Reading to purchase a Wayne Chipper from Shaffer Equipment Company at a cost of $5100.00 to be paid from the Revenue Sharing Account.

Mr. Workman reported on tree trimming and that we have received the first electric bill from VEPCO with the new rate increase and retro-active charge. He also reported that he has received rate schedules from different municipalities and a decision will have to be made on what needs to be done in regards to our electric rates.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Leet and carried to hire George R. Jarels at $6,200.00 a year, Roy G. Farmer at $6,400.00 a year, and Joseph T. Neylon at $6,400.00 a year as patrolmen in the Elkton Police Department on a ninety day probation period.

Mayor Garber read the following bids on the 1971 Plymouth police car:

Jo Ann Rothbard	$1,051.00
Kenneth D. Taylor	$1,250.00

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to accept the bid of $1,250.00 by Kenneth D. Taylor for the 1971 Plymouth police car.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. R. R. Dean and carried to appropriate $499.00 for transformers.

Mayor Garber reported on a copy of a letter to the clerk of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County he had received advising that the term of Mr. S. P. H. Flick as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Elkton expired March 19, 1973 and that Mr. Flick will not consider reappointment for another term. The Board went on record as recommending Mr. Beverly Wolfe as a candidate to fill this vacancy. It was the council's opinion that as Mr. Wolfe is a member of the Elkton Planning Commission they should appoint someone else on the Board of Zoning Appeals. This matter was tabled until the next meeting. The councilmen were asked to submit their suggestions of someone to fill this vacancy.

Mayor Garber reported on a letter from the Virginia Municipal League in regards to the Uniform State Building Code, training sessions, etc. which he was placing on file in the Treasurer's office.

Mayor Garber reported on a letter from the State Water Control Board notifing the Town of a hearing at 10:00 A.M., June 7, 1973 in the Meeting Room, 4010 West Broad Street, Richmond, Va. for the purpose of receiving testimony relative to the Boards adoption of a "Priority System for Determination of Construction Grant Recipients, Water Quality Management Plan Completion and Issuance of Discharge Permits; and Rules of Procedure for Submittal and Approval of Applications for Federal and State Construction Grants."

Mayor Garber read a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Berkeley Brooks in reference to the Town Ordinance Sec. 26-6 Storage of trash, etc. and Sec. 26-15 Removal of containers, etc. They brought to the councils attention that there are containers remaining on the street on Clark Avenue at all times and requested the council to act on this matter. The council decided to publish Sec. 26-15 to remind people of their obligations to remove their trash cans from the streets within a certain period of time.

Mayor Garber reported that there would be a joint committee meeting of all councilmen to discuss the hiring of a Town Superintendent.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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

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