SPECIAL
COUNCIL MEETING
August 24, 1973

A special meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held August 24, 1973 at 8:30 P.M. in the council chambers with the Mayor Edward F. Garber presiding. The following council members were present: Mr. R. E. Davis, Mr. R. R. Dean, Mr. H. A. Leet, Mr. A. R. Thompson and Mr. H. A. Workman. Mr. Noah Helsley, Town Sergeant, Mr. William T. Herring, Acting Superintendent, and Mrs. Norma R. Leap, Clerk were also present.

Mayor Garber opened the meeting with prayer.

Mayor Garber explained that the Second Reading on the Garbage Collection Tax could not be taken as there was still one less member present than on the first vote.

Mr. Bill Davis and Mr. Leroy Leap were present in opposition to the $1000.00 cut in the Recreation Budget. The council stated that they hated to make this cut and if possible during the year they would try to appropriate additional money.

Mr. and Mrs. Garner Downey were present to speak on behalf of the town employee raises. They asked how much was included in the proposed budget. Mr. Thompson explained that they had included 5.5% across the board. The Downey's felt the council should consider more due to the sharp increase in cost of living. The council indicated they would give this further consideration and bring it up if another special meeting was called.

Mr. H. A. Leet moved, seconded by Mr. R. E. Davis and carried unanamiously to approve the Second Reading on the 1973-74 Budget.

Mr. R. B. Hutton was present and asked Mr. Workman why he was not doing something to pass the increases from VEPCO on to the customers in order to stop the loss of revenue to the town this was creating. Mr. Hutton felt if this was done, a garbage collection fee would not be necessary.

Mayor Garber informed the council that Mr. Franz of Harrisonburg Electric Commission has informed him that he would be willing to come down and review our electric rates, etc. if this met with the entire council's approval. All approved.

Mr. H. A. Leet moved, seconded by Mr. R. E. Davis and carried to consider a letter from Marvin Hillsman, Town Attorney which was not on the agenda.

A letter from Marvin C. Hillsman, Jr. was read. Mr. Hillsman stated that due to the demands and committment of his private law practice, he would be unable to serve as attorney for the Town of Elkton subsequent to August 31, 1973.

Mr. R. E. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to accept Mr. Hillsman's resignation as of August 31, 1973.

Mr. R. E. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to adjourn.

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

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