PUBLIC HEARING
May 10, 1982

A joint public hearing was held by the Elkton Town Council and the Elkton Planning Commission Monday May 10, 1982 at 7:00 P.M. in the council chambers.

The purpose of the hearing was to allow all interested persons the opportunity to present their views on the following possible zoning changes in the Elkton Land Use Plan:

(1) The Garner Downey property bordered on the south by Spotswood Avenue, on the east by Lee Avenue, and on the north and west sides by an alley. Property is listed on Land Map of Rockingham County as Block 29, Section 3, lots 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27. (This zoning change was not requested by the owner.)

(2) The Tim Haden property bordered on the north by Rockingham Street and on the south by old US 33. Property is listed on the Land Map of Rockingham County as an acreage parcel (Insert Section 131-B1). (This zoning change was requested by the owner.)

(3) The Randell Snow property at the intersection of US 340 and the entrances to Elkwood Subdivision and Shen-Elk Plaza. Property is listed on the Land Map of Rockingham County as Lots 1 and 2, Block 34, Section 3. (This zoning change has been requested by the owner.)

Mayor Lough stated that they would like each person to limit their remarks to five minutes, if possible, and there would be no rebuttal. The Planning Commission will meet after this hearing and present their recommendation to council at the regular June meeting.

Hazel Crider, Bill Holt and Sue Ann Sumpter all spoke against the request to leave the Randell Snow property zoned commercial. The reasons given were that the property is not large enough for a business, there is not enough room for off street parking, and it would compound the traffic problem which they feel is already a safety hazard at this intersection.

Mr. Haden presented council members with a copy of the plat of his land in question including the town parcel. He pointed out that the land is presently zoned commercial and he asked it not be down zoned to parks and open space. He has not been able to find any precedent where a community, over the objections of the property owner, down zoned a piece of property.

As there were no other persons wishing to speak, the public hearing adjourned.

MAYOR: Maurice W. Lough, Mayor

RECORDER: Norma R. Leap, Clerk