REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
August 16, 1983

The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held August 16, 1983 at 8:00 P.M. in the council chambers with the Mayor Charles E. Dean presiding. The following council members were present: V. L. Cook Jr., S. P. H. Flick, B. B. Holt, T. G. Hulings and R. L. Snow. R. E. Davis was absent. Norma Leap, Clerk, Jeffrey Nadeau, Chief of Police and Gerald Monger, Superintendent were also present.

Two representatives from the new repair ship the U.S.S. Shenandoah were present to have a slide presentation and answer any questions on this new ship. The ship is named after the Shenandoah Valley and the Shenandoah National Park and will be dedicated in Norfolk, Virginia on December 17, 1983.

Councilman B. B. Holt moved, seconded by Councilman V. L. Cook Jr. and carried to approve the minutes of the regular meeting July 11, 1983.

Gerald Monger, Town Superintendent gave the following report:

1. Sewer is now flowing through the new lines on the lower end of town. The project is not completely finished but there have been no back-ups during the last few rains.

2. Part of the curbing is finished on Washington Avenue. Contractors were suppose to come in today to put in the pipe but did not show up. If they do not come in within the next day or so, the town crew will start on this.

3. The Department of Highways would like the town to stop the parking on the left side of Stuart Avenue North from Spotswood Avenue to "B" Street and on the right side from Spotswood Avenue to the alley. Council felt that as this is the Department of Highways decision they should put up the signs. Mr. Monger was asked to notify the citizens in this area and to make them aware that this was a decision made by the State not the town.

4. Mr. Monger reported that our highway maintenance payments have been increased effective July 1, 1983 approximately 13%.

5. The new sidewalk on Stuart Avenue has been completed.

The monthly reports for the Public Safety department were distributed to the council members for their review.

Councilman B. B. Holt moved, seconded by Councilman R. L. Snow to approve the First Reading to borrow $30,000.00 from the Virginia National Bank at an interest rate of 6.75% for a period of 36 months for the purchase of a Case Model 580 D Series Loader Backhoe. The treasurer will be authorized to sign the note. All council members present voted yea.

Councilman Hulings reported that, as the Mayor could not attend, he had represented the town last night at the Valley Mall's "Meet the Mayors" night. He also reported on a meeting which the Electric Committee and several members of the council had attended to listen to a proposal by R. W. Beck and Associates regarding a proposed study they are making for at least two cities in Virginia, Manassas and Franklin, to explore the

purchase of electricity from some source other than Vepco. If other sources of electricity can be found this would help lower electric costs for the towns. They would like to include the Town of Elkton in this study. The cost to the town would be $4,000.00.

Councilman T. G. Hulings moved to approve the First Reading to go ahead with the study by R. W. Beck and Associates at a cost of $4,000.00.

Councilman Holt stated he was not prepared to make any decision tonight as he felt more information was needed and suggested this be reviewed by our attorney before we have a Second Reading on the motion.

Council instructed Mr. Monger to contact our attorney and to inform R. W. Beck and Associates where we stand at this point. A tenative date of Tuesday, August 23, 1983 at 8:00 P.M. was set for a special meeting to have a Second Reading on the proposed study.

Councilman Hulings reported that he had received notification of Vepco's intent to increase our electric rates effective October 31st.

Councilman Hulings presented a request from the Elkton Volunteer Fire Company and Emergency Squad for the town to donate electricity for a country music show at Blue Ridge Park on September 10, 1983.

Councilman T. G. Hulings moved, seconded by Councilman B. B. Holt and carried to donate the electricity for the country music show.

Councilman Holt reported that we have received notification of approval for our litter grant in the amount of $525.00.

Councilman Holt read a letter from William O'Brien, County Administrator, stating that effective July 1, 1983, the Board of Supervisors has discontinued the County policy of charging the Towns of the County for their pro rata share of the operation of the sanitary landfill.

Councilman Holt stated that he will be getting with Mr. Monger in the near future to determine the areas in town which have not complied with the request to clean-up and begin enforcement of the ordinances.

Councilman Cook presented a request from George A. Herring of 101 Washington Avenue for a water hookup.

Councilman V. L. Cook Jr. moved, seconded by Councilman B. B. Holt to allow George A. Herring of 101 Washington Avenue to hook up to the town water system. Mr. Herring will be responsible for all costs to hook up to the town lines and the installation will be subject to inspection by the Town Superintendent. The vote was recorded as follows:

Cook	- yea	Holt	- yea
Flick	- yea	Hulings	- yea
		Snow	- yea

Mr. Monger reported that the dumpster site on the lower end of town is expected to be operational by September 1st.

Mayor Dean reported that the next meeting of the Rockingham Municipal League will be held Wednesday, August 17, 1983, at 7:00 P.M. at the town hall building in Grottoes.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

MAYOR: Charles E Dean
Charles E. Dean, Mayor

RECORDER: Norma R Leap
Norma R. Leap, Clerk