Planning Commission
August 11, 2003

The Elkton Planning Commission met in Council Chambers on August 11, 2003 with Chairman Tom Weyrick presiding. Chairman Weyrick recognized Mayor Wayne E. Printz as a voting member of the Planning Commission. Thereby, a quorum was established. The following members were present:

PRESENT	ABSENT
T. Weyrick	B. Holt
M. Dixon	W. Gooden
T. Lester	D. Talbot
W. Printz	

The Planning Commission heard a request from Mel Kirkendall, 100 "M" Street, to close an unopened dedicated twenty foot wide alley located northwest of the intersection of 4th Street and "M" Street. The alley appears on Tax Map 131B3-6B2. Mr. Kirkendall stated there were no water, sewer, or electric lines within the 100 feet requested for closure.

Adequate access to Lots 8, 9, 17, and 18 is available from 4th Street, "M" Street, and Park Avenue for emergency situations. A sewer line exists from Lot 8 to Lot 17 and Mr. Kirkendall will deed a 10' easement to the Town.

Wayne Printz moved, second by Troy Lester, to close the alley as requested.

Cathy Murphy questioned the wisdom of closing part of the alley as opposed to closing it "all the way down." Ms. Murphy continued that by closing just part of the alley, the Town would be giving an easement to a property owner, singling out one owner as the alley affects three or four. It was stated that the Kirkendalls would purchase the affected closed area.

Chairman Weyrick called for the question.

YEAS: W. Printz, M. Dixon, and T. Lester

Motion carried (3 - 0 voice vote)

The Planning Commission will forward to Council a favorable recommendation to close the alley between Lots 8 and 9 and Lots 17 and 18.

Chairman Weyrick announced he will continue to serve on the Planning Commission, but will not continue as an officer. Mr. Weyrick stated it was time to "develop depth in the Planning Commission and share the responsibilities with other people." The new Chairman will be Dan Talbot, with Troy Lester serving as Vice Chairman. There was no volunteer to serve as

Secretary. The position will remain open until full membership attends a meeting.

Wayne Printz moved, second by Troy Lester, and carried to accept the slate of officers as presented.

YEAS: W. Printz, T. Lester, and M. Dixon

Motion carried (3 - 0 voice vote)

Cathy Murphy inquired as to the status of the Comprehensive Plan. Chairman Weyrick replied that the Plan is with the Shenandoah Planning District. It was his hope it would be completed by fall. Chairman Weyrick explained the Plan would have to be published, two hearings would be required, and finally it would have to be approved by the Planning Commission and Town Council.

As there was no further business, Chairman Weyrick adjourned the meeting.

Signature - Chairman

Signature - Secretary