The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held February 9, 1968 at 8:00 P.M. with the Mayor, Welty H. Hensley presiding. The following council members were present: Mr. I. L. Flory 111, Mr. E. F. Garber, Mr. J. N. McAllister, Mr. W. H. McGahey, Mr. A. R. Thompson and Mr. H. A. Workman. The Town Attorney, Marvin C. Hillsman, Jr., Town Superintendent, David C. Liskey and Chief of Police, Thomas R. Stevens were present.

Mr. E. F. Garber opened the meeting with prayer.

Mr. Randall Life came before the council stating that after reading about the town not having flags at the Municipal Building, he & his wife decided they might be able to see that the town received flags. Mr. Life introduced Mr. Charles Good, a representative of the "Woodsmen of the World", who presented the town with two flags, one for the council chambers and one for use outside.

Mr. Carl Brill came before the council asking that if the town decided to remove the fence in front of the Municipal Building he would like to have first refusal of removing the fence for the fence itself. Mr. Brill reported that he had received a parking ticket for parking in an Emergency Zone. He stated he was not angry about the ticket but would like to know why it was being enforced at some places, on some people and not at other places and on other people. It was explained to Mr. Brill that only the "No Parking" and "Emergency Zones" were being enforced at present but that the "2 Hour Zones" to which he was referring would be enforced as soon as the lines could be redrawn and signs properly marking the area.

Mr. Brill also felt that Town Employees should not be out of town for fires, rescue calls or personal trips during working hours. The council told Mr. Brill they would check into this situation.

Mr. Hensley reported that the council had met at 7:30 and inspected the new Fire Hall and Maintenance Building along with several representatives from the Fire Company.

A list of House Rules set up by the Fire Company were presented. The rules are as follows:

1. Positively no cigarettes, or trash thrown on floor.
2. No spiting on floor or in any drains.
3. No bottles or cans to be left sitting around.
4. No alcoholic beverages allowed in Fire Hall.
5. Keep store room orderly.
6. Friday night will be clean-up night, it will be a work detail for everyone who helps.
7. All rules to be obeyed.
8. There will be a sign in each bathroom to keep sink clean after using.
9. There will be no unnecessary items hanging on the wall unless approved by the House Committee.
10. All rules are subject to change.
11. No Fire Arms allowed in the Fire House or on the Equipment without permission from the Chief of Police.

Anyone violating these rules may be subject to disciplinary action by the Executive Board.

Otis Lawson-Chairman

A drawing for an Ante-Room at the front entrance was presented by the Fire Company for approval.

Mayor Hensley reported that a complete inspection of the new building had been made and a list compiled of the work not completed to satisfaction at this date.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to accept the Fire Company and Maintenance Building from Newman Building & Material Corporation noting the exceptions as listed from the inspection tour.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory 111 and carried to turn the new building over to the Fire Company and Mr. Liskey, Supt. of the Maintenance Department.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. E. F. Garber and carried to permit the Fire Company to install an ante-room at the front door entrance as per the drawing submitted and at the Fire Company's expense.

Mr. George Crump, President of the Fire Company, expressed the company's acceptance & appreciation of the building and stated that the Elkton Fire Department is considered one of the best equipped in the State of Virginia.

The consultant engineers for the Route 33 Project, Higgs & Shumate, gave a detailed report & presented drawings on their work. All the existing powers have been surveyed and information on the proposed power had been given to the Telephone Company to see if they will be affected in any way. The engineers had not received an answer as yet from the Telephone Company. A meeting was arranged with Mr. Liskey, Mr. Workman and the engineers to check the plans in further detail.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory 111 and carried to accept the minutes of the regular meeting January 12, 1968 as presented.

Mr. E. F. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. W. H. McGahey and carried to accept the Fiance Report.

Mr. Thompson presented a parking ordinance for the council to consider. Mr. Thomspson moved, seconded by Mr. John N. McAllister and carried to adopt the following parking ordinance:

<u>Sec. 27-2a. Parking in business portion prohibited at specified times.</u>

Between the first day of November and the last day of March, inclusive, it shall be unlawful to park, leave or abandon vehicles or equipment of any description upon the streets in the business portion of the town between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. Determination of the area comprising the business portion shall be within the sole discretion of the Chief of Police, who will post signs designating said area.

The gasoline tank which was located on private property on the corner of Second Street and Spotswood Trail has been removed. The question of whether it would be permissable to bury the tank was brought before the council but council stated this also is against the ordinances.

The New Town Automobile License Stickers were shown to the council. The question of raising the price of town tags was tabled until further notice.

Mr. McGahey reported that they were going to try removing the two hour parking zone across from the library.

The following quotes were submitted by Painter & Mundy for paving the proposed streets. These estimates are based on furnishing, hauling and applying an average of 150# (1½") per square yard of Type B-3 and I-2 Bituminous Concrete:

Spotswood Ave. (From Rt. 340 to Corp. Limits)	
Build up---Type B-3	$3,864.00
Build up---Type I-2	3,864.00
North Avenue	
From Hisey Rd. to Corp. Limits	1,008.00
From Corp. Limits to Rt. 340	252.00
Shenandoah Avenue	
From Gibbons Ave. To Corp. Limits	2,772.00
	$11,760.00

Mr. John N. McAllister moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory 111 and carried to approve the First Reading of $7,736.00 to pave Spotswood Avenue from Route 340 to the Corporation Limits and North Avenue from Hisey Rd. to Corp. Limits.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. John N. McAllister and carried to appoint Mr. Stanford A. Smith as Assistant Chief of Police with a pay raise of $204.00 per year effective March 1, 1968.

Mr. Thompson was asked to head the clean-up campaign again this Spring.

Mayor Hensley announced that the Planning Commission was meeting with Mr. Marsh of the State Planning Commission Tuesday night, February 13, 1968.

Mr. Thompson and Mr. McAllister were asked that one or both of them be present to represent the council at this meeting.

Mayor Hensley reported that a letter of protest had been sent to Mr. Alexander of the Highway Department in regards to the $25.00 annual permits for primary and an additinal $25.00 for a permit for secondary roads which is required by the state.

Mayor Hensley also reported that a new telephone system was being installed which would greatly improve the telephone situation and at no additional expense. Each office will have access to three lines and a pay telephone is to be installed in the Warrant Justice's office.

A letter from Mrs. J. H. Early, Sr. was read thanking the council for surfacing "A" Street.

Mr. I. L. Flory 111 moved, seconded by Mr. E. F. Garber and carried to take a ½ page advertisement in the High School Annual for $24.00.

A letter from the Rockingham County Board of Supervisors was read which acknowledged receipt of the letter from the Town regarding the Elementary School facilities and thanking the Town for advising the Board of situations which must be corrected.

A letter from R. Loring Cover was read stating that the additional premium to increase bodily injury coverage from $50/100/100,000.00 to $100/300/300,000.00 would be $241.00 from February 10, 1968 to October 28, 1970 or $84.00 per year. Mr. Cover also stated that he was unable to offer umbrella coverage at this time but hoped to submit a quote at the March council meeting. The council decided to defer the insurance change until the March meeting.

A report on the County meeting of Mayors and Councilmen was given by Mayor Hensley. He stated that a study by each towns attorneys was being made on Merchants License and the advantages of establishing an Auxiliary Police Force in the Towns were discussed.

Mr. W. H. McGahey moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to appropriate money for the following additional expenses for the New Fire Co. & Maintenance Building: Moving Fire Plug-$529.30, Water Drain from back to side-$185.75, Green paint in Maintenance Department-$400.00 and painting the wainscoating grey-$35.00.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Deffered Business

Property for Town Dump
Changing Name of Spotswood Ave.
Jr. O.U.A.M.-House Trailer
2-Way Radios-Maintenance Dept.
One side parking-Rockingham St.
Insurance-Cover
Repairs-Municipal Building
Lowering alley behind new building
Second Reading-Street Paving

APPROVED: Wertly H. Hanley
Mayor

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