The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held September 13, 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. Rodney G. Harman, Mr. Edward O. Karow, Mr. A. R. Thompson and Mr. H. A. Workman. Mr. Marvin C. Hillsman, Jr., Town Attorney, Mr. David C. Liskey, Town Superintendent and Mr. Thomas R. Stevens, Chief of Police were present.

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

Mayor Hensley presented a framed Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. John N. McAllister for his years of service on the council. A matching certificate will be placed in the council chambers. Mayor Hensley stated that an identical certificate would be presented to Mr. William H. McGahey who was unable to attend the meeting due to illness.

Mr. McAllister expressed his deep appreciation for the certificate and said he had never enjoyed working with any group as much as he had with the council.

The following bids were presented for the specified street work:

A. B. TORRENCE & CO., INC.

Joe Lucas Alley from F. Street north Shape, Prime and seal 627 feet x 12 ft.	$ 836.00
Sixth Street from Fairfax to Summit Shape, prime and seal 330 feet x 18 feet	660.00
Summit from Sixth Street to dead end Shape, prime and seal 520 feet x 18 feet	1,040.00
Seventh Street from Washington Street to Marshall Street Shape, add stone, prime and seal 660 feet x 18 feet	2,300.00
Hensley Alley from Shenandoah Avenue East Patch, prime and seal 510 feet x 18 feet	1,020.00
	$5,856.00

Monger Brothers Contractors

Joe Lucas Alley 627 x 12	334.40
Sixth Fairfax to Summit 330 x 18	264.00
Summit from Sixth to Railroad 520 x 18	416.00
Seventh Washington to Marshall 660 x 18	1,650.00
Hensley's Alley 510 x 18	408.00
	$3,072.40

Painter & Mundy, Inc.

Joe Lucas Alley From "F" St. to end of alley	(627 x 12)	3"	$1,115.00
Sixth St. From Fairfax to Summit	(330 x 18)	3"	875.00
Summit Ave. From Sixth to Railroad	(520 x 18)	3"	1,376.00
Seventh St. From Washington to Marshall	(660 x 18)	3"	1,744.00
Hensley Alley 1½" Type I-3 Bit. Concrete	(510 x 18)	1½"	645.00
			$5,755.00

Painter & Mundy, Inc.

Shenandoah Avenue
From Gibbons Avenue to Corp. Limits
(2200 x 18) $2,772.00

Mr. E. F. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to award the contract for the proposed street work to Monger Brothers to do the work according to their bid and to award the contract to black top Shenandoah Avenue from Gibbons Avenue to the Corporation Limits (2200 x 18) to Painter and Mundy, Inc.

Mr. Liskey reported that he had not received all the bids for the material needed on the relocation of the electric facilities and that he would hold off ordering the material until the state had sent their final approval.

Mayor Hensley read a letter from Mr. Ambler of the Highway Department acknowledging receipt of the Town of Elkton's revised estimate covering the electrical power relocation on the captioned projects and stating that they had reviewed all the data pertaining to this revision and have forwarded it to their Central Office for further processing.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. E. F. Garber and carried to authorize Mr. Liskey to place the orders for the materials for the relocation of the electric facilities with the lowest bidder in the amount of approximately $8,000.00.

Mayor Hensley reported that the town has received a letter from the Highway Department stating that they have filed a certificate in the amount of $624.00 for the dump property with the Court.

Mayor Hensley reviewed some of the accomplishments during the past years:

Cooperation of town employees, council and citizens; Up grading the Police Department, 2nd Car and Dispatchers; Completion of Fire Co. and Maintenance Building; Sewer Lines - Fairfax Avenue Area, etc.; New Bookkeeping System; Mimeograph Machine donated by A. B. Torrence & Company; Open House May 26, 1968; Paving of Streets; Frontend Loader; Working with Virginia Department of Highways on the Rt. 33 Project; Sale of Trash Cans; Parking Lots on Rt. 33-340 and Wirt Avenue; Gates at the Railroad Crossing in Downtown Section; Adopted Planning Commission's Recommendations and Land Use Plan; Attended Meetings of Rockingham Municipal League; Clean Up-Fix Up Week; New Christmas Decorations; Paid off last of Electrical Debt; and Revised Street Lighting System.

Mayor Hensley announced that he would be having Mayor's Office Hours each Wednesday afternoon from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Mr. E. O. Karow moved, seconded by Mr. E. F. Garber and carried to approve the minutes as presented of the regular meeting August 16, 1968.

Mr. A. R. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory III and carried to approve the minutes as presented of the Special Meeting August 29, 1968.

Mr. E. F. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to approve the Finance Report.

Mr. Garber reported that the auditors have started auditing the books and would have the reports ready by the October Meeting.

Mr. E. F. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. A. R. Thompson and carried to charge off the 1964 Taxes and record them at the County Court House.

Mr. H. A. Workman suggested that the council give some consideration and study to the tax evaluation of the property in the town.

There was a discussion on the parking problems at the Post Office. Mr. Karow and Mr. Stevens were asked to contact Mr. Shuler in regards to some of the problems and possible solutions.

Mr. L. P. Hale came before the council and asked if a loading zone or reserved parking space could be marked off on Stuart Avenue at the cleaner's for their use. Mr. Karow and Mr. Stevens were asked to check into this matter.

Mr. Flory said that the filtering system would be dropped until further information could be obtained.

Mr. Flory reported that we have not received a report from Higgs & Shumate as yet on the proposed North Avenue Sewer addition.

Mr. I. L. Flory III moved, seconded by Mr. H. A. Workman and carried to approve the First Reading to appropriate $2,000.00 for pipe for the water line to the Junior Order Park.

Mayor Hensley suggested that the council give some consideration to giving the Fire Company and Resque Squad a flat rate each month for the purchase of gasoline rather than having the bills submitted to the town for payment.

Mr. A. R. Thompson reported that he has not heard anything from the N. & W. Railroad in regards to Terrace Avenue.

There was a discussion on the blocking of traffic at the downtown railroad crossing. Chief Stevens was instructed to enforce the time limit for blocking traffic.

Mayor Hensley reported that he had talked to Mr. Frank Evans in regards to Route 33 and 340 signs and that they will take care of this matter.

Mr. Thompson reported that some of the street signs in town are in need of repair and replacing. The Clerk was instructed to write the school board requesting to purchase four school signs.

Mr. Liskey reported that there are several sidewalks in town that are in bad need of repair and that they plan to repair the one in front of Joe Lucas' Barber Shop first.

Mr. R. G. Harman stated that he felt that they would table the suggestion of setting certain hours for tennis until spring as the season for tennis is about over. Mr. Harman was requested to contact Mr. Jack Painter in regards to black topping the proposed area along Spotswood Avenue behind the present court for a new basketball court.

Mr. H. A. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. I. L. Flory III and carried to furnish the Midget League Football Teams current and to donate $100.00

Mr. Harman was requested to contact Mr. Pence of the School Board in regards to playground equipment.

Mr. Workman reported that he has contacted two insurance companies for bids on a new hospitalization program.

The Council was reminded of the Municipal League Convention in Roanoke September 22nd. thru the 25th and the meeting of the Rockingham League of Municipalities at Belle Meade September 26th.

A letter from the Cemetery Committee in regards to donations was turned over to Mr. Garber.

Mr. Hillsman, Mr. Liskey and Mr. Workman were requested to complete the matter of the width of Summitt Avenue and to check into the closing of the alley at Cook Burgers.

Mayor Hensley reported that the next committee meeting will be October 3, 1968.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Deferred Business:

Ordinance - Uniform Closing Law
Water - Trailer Court
Raising Speed Limit - 25 Mile Zone
Second Reading - Street Work
Parking Problem - Post Office
Loading Zone - Dry Cleaners
Higgs & Shumate - Sewer North Ave.
Second Reading - Pipe for Water to Jr. Order Park
Flat Rate - Gasoline Fire Co.
Playground Equipment - Memorial Park
New Basketball Court - Black Top
New Hospitalization Program
Closing of Alley at Cook Burger

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