SPECIAL
COUNCIL MEETING
September 23, 1980

A special meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held September 23, 1980 at 7:30 P.M. in the council chambers with the Mayor Maurice W. Lough presiding. The following council members were present: F. A. Bennett, S. P. H. Flick, L. C. Life and C. A. Schumacher. V. L. Cook Jr. and R. L. Snow were absent. Bruce Wiles, Attorney was also present.

Councilwoman L. C. Life moved, seconded by Councilman F. A. Bennett to approve on Second Reading the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 7, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE B, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF ELKTON, VIRGINIA, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION IMPOSING A LICENSE TAX ON DEALERS IN PRECIOUS METALS AND JEWELS

Sec. 7-1-39 Dealers in Precious Metals and Jewels

(a) No itinerant dealer may purchase gold, silver, platinum, gems, or semiprecious stones without a license as provided herein.

(b) Itinerant dealer within the meaning of this article is a person, firm or corporation, who shall engage in any temporary or transient business in this town for the purchase of gold, silver, platinum, gems, or semiprecious stones.

(c) Licenses shall be issued by the Treasurer to any person able to produce satisfactory evidence of good character, which license shall designate the premises on which the licensee shall conduct his business and specify the date or dates upon which the business may be conducted. A fee of $30.00 per day may be charged.

(d) The license issued hereunder shall be a personal privilege and shall not be transferable, nor shall there be any abatement of the tax upon such license by reason of the fact that the licensee shall have exercised the privilege for any period of less than for which it was granted. The license shall at all times be kept publicly exposed by the licensee on his business premises.

(e) Any false statement made on the application form voids the license ab initio.

(f) Licensees shall ascertain the name, address, and age of sellers by requiring an identifier issued by a governmental agency with a picture of the subject and one other corroborating means of identification. Licensees shall record the items purchased, the price paid, and the seller's identity. Such records shall be delivered to the chief of police on the day of purchase.

(g) No purchases may be made from anyone under age 18.

(h) Every person so licensed shall at the time of license and before the same shall be operative, enter with either one corporate or two personal sufficient sureties into a joint and several recognizance to the town in the penal sum of five thousand dollars conditioned upon due observance of the terms of this article.

(i) If any person shall be aggrieved by the misconduct of any licensee and shall recover against him therefor, such person may, after the return unsatisfied, either in whole or in part, of any execution upon such judgment, maintain actions in his own name upon the bond.

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(j) Violation of the terms of this section shall be a misdemeanor.

The vote was recorded as follows:

F. Bennett	- yea	L. Life	- yea
S. Flick	- yea	C. Schumacher	- yea

Councilwoman L. C. Life moved, seconded by Councilman F. A. Bennett to purchase a typewriter for $50.00 to be paid for out of the General Government Budget. The vote was recorded as follows:

F. Bennett	- yea	L. Life	- yea
S. Flick	- yea	C. Schumacher	- nay

The typewriter was stipulated to be used by any town official.

The meeting adjourned without any other business because of the absence of two members.

MAYOR: Maurice W. Lough
Maurice W. Lough, Mayor

RECORDER: _____
M. W. Lough, Acting Clerk