REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
October 8, 1984

The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held October 8, 1984 at 8:00 P.M. in the council chambers with the Mayor Charles E. Dean presiding. The following council members were present: S. P. H. Flick, H. W. Leap, H. A. Leet and L. C. Life. Councilmen R. E. Davis and B. B. Holt were absent. Norma Leap, Clerk, Jeffrey Nadeau, Chief of Police, Gerald Monger, Superintendent and Dale Davenport, Attorney were also present.

Councilwoman L. C. Life moved, seconded by Councilman H. A. Leet and carried to approve the minutes of the regular meeting September 10, 1984 as presented.

Mr. Monger reported that we need to have a First Reading on the buildings for the fluoride system. He presented the following costs to build the buildings:

Materials	$ 6,053.08
Labor	5,043.00
Machines	545.00
Contingencies	1,664.41
	$13,305.49

The cost estimated by the engineers for materials was $2,000.00.

After some discussion by council, it was decided that we need to have some type of communication with the engineers and the State people regarding the costs on the fluoride buildings to see what they suggest before taking any further action on this project.

Mr. Monger reported that they are waiting on the blacktop before the parking lot project can be completed.

Mr. Monger reported that a decision needs to be made on what to do about the garbage truck, do we want to buy a new truck or go with a private hauler. We are presently using a demonstrator which is on loan from Truxmore Industries Inc.

Councilwoman L. C. Life moved, seconded by Councilman H. W. Leap and carried to authorize Mr. Monger to obtain bids on a 23 cubic yard garbage truck, get quotes from private haulers and prices for a chassis for our old packer. The committee can then meet and bring back recommendations to council.

A special council meeting was set for Wednesday, October 17, 1984 at 8:00 P.M. to discuss the garbage truck and the teletype system.

Mayor Dean reviewed the police report for the month of September.

Councilman Flick reported that we just received the audit report this afternoon late and they would be distributed to council members for them to review. It was suggested that next year we consider including a deadline for receiving the report when contracting for the audit.

Councilman Leap reported on a request from the Library Committee for the following items, listed in order of priority, needed to maintain and expand the services they are now offering:

1. 6 Book Shelves and a Dictionary Stand
2. 100 Bookends
3. 8 Wooden Chairs
4. Desk for Youth Library

Councilman Leap stated that it is possible that Item 4, Desk, may not have to be bought as the town has some extra desks they are not using and that we may also be able to obtain Item 3, Chairs, without having to purchase new ones. The cost of the material for shelves

will be $75.00 per unit and Mr. Monger said one of his men could build the shelves when the weather is bad and he cannot do outside work. This would set the cost of the shelves at $450.00. Since then he has been told that there are enough shelves in the closet upstairs from the last time they built to build two bookcases, so if there is, that could reduce the cost to $300.00. The cost of the bookends would be $60.00. The total cost would run from $360.00 to $510.00 depending on the cost of the shelves. He also stated that the committee would like to request that when and if the town purchases carpet for the hallways in the building they also look into carpeting the two rooms in the library.

Councilman H. W. Leap moved, seconded by Councilman H. A. Leet to purchase supplies for six shelves, one dictionary stand and 100 bookends for the library at a cost not to exceed $510.00. The vote was recorded as follows:

Flick	-	yea	Leet	-	yea
Leap	-	yea	Life	-	yea

This matter was turned over to the Finance Committee to recommend where the appropriations for the library items were to be taken from. It was suggested they might consider Revenue Sharing funds.

Councilwoman Life presented the following report from the Street Committee:

The Street and Sidewalk Committee met Wednesday, September 26th. at 10:00 A.M.

Present were: Linda Life, Sam Flick, Henry Leap and Gerald Monger.

Objectives for this council committee are:
- Roads
- Walks
- Storm Sewage Problems and also includes cost of snow removal.

Priorities as seen:

$ 4,000.00	Ben-Yehuda Road (Storm Drainage)
2,000.00	E. Spotswood (Drainage Ditching)
2,500. - 3,000.00	Hill Avenue, corner (Storm Drainage)
* 37,318.00	Clark, E. Spotswood & E. Rockingham (Storm Drainage) - complete
400.00	E. Rockingham, corner (Concrete)
2,700.00	N. Stuart extended to Hill (Concrete)
8,427.00	A. to Ashby (Blacktop)
1,875.00	Gibbons to Spotswood (Blacktop)
7,688.00	Spotswood to Spring (Blacktop)
2,765.00	Gibbons to Spotswood (Blacktop)
4,158.00	Route 340 to North (Blacktop)
1,575.00	Marshall (From R/R up) (Blacktop)
3,014.00	6th. to 7th. (Blacktop)
2,442.00	A to B (Blacktop)
3,339.00	Spotswood to C (Blacktop)

NOTES: Total blacktop $42,004.00
Three streets on hold.

*Large project on East of town will be started and will be done in phases as monies permit.

Committee has chosen the more expensive reenforced concrete pipe for this large project because of durability.

These are the guidelines which the Street Committee will follow.

Mayor Dean reported that the council had received a request at the last meeting from Helen Hoover, owner of the poolroom, to reconsider allowing her to open on Sunday afternoons. He requested Mr. Davenport explain why the town feels they cannot allow the request.

Mr. Davenport pointed out that there is a State Blue Law found in Sec. 18.2-341 of the Code of Virginia which prohibits all business activity on Sunday except for certain specified activity. However, the list of permitted activities does not include pool halls unless they can deemed to be "sports" and in his judgment playing pool is probably not a sport. This State section would take precedent over our code so a change in our ordinance would have no effect. The County could, by referendum, provide that the Blue Law is inapplicable within the county but he does not believe that Rockingham County has done so. Mr. Davenport suggested that the Town leave the present ordinance as it is and when and if the County ever goes for a referendum, the Town could then decide if they want to make a change in their ordinance.

Mayor Dean asked Mr. Davenport if he felt it would be legal for the pool hall to be open Sunday afternoon to sell snacks as long as the pool tables are covered and not used and Mr. Davenport felt that it would be legal. He also stated when questioned that arcade games would probably be okay.

The report on "freebies" was distributed to council.

Councilman Leet reported that the State Water Control Board had requested that they meet with them but when the date for the meeting was set the only people available to attend the meeting were Councilman Flick and Mr. Monger. Councilman Flick gave the following report on the meeting in which they discussed the problem of water infiltration into the town's sewerage system:

> The months of worst violations were February and April.
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> The Town must be in compliance by July 1, 1988.
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> The State Water Control Board stated that sump pumps account for 40 to 50 percent of infiltration.
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> The Town must notify the State Water Control Board in writing about items being undertaken to put the Town in compliance - be specific - time is not unlimited, in fact it should be in by end of October.

Councilman Flick stated that Mr. Monger had received a letter from the State Water Control Board in regards to the meeting and what they had discussed. The letter stated that Councilman Flick and Mr. Monger had agreed on the results of the meeting. Councilman Flick felt they had not agreed but that the State Water Control Board told them what they wanted the Town to do and they had listened.

Councilman Leet reported that the Water and Sewer Committee will meet Friday and discuss this problem. He was not sure if they would come up with any answers. He also stated he questioned the fact that sump pumps account for 40 to 50 percent of the infiltration. He said that they know there is a problem. They have been working on it and will just have to work harder.

Mr. Monger pointed out that the State Water Control Board wants a schedule showing how much the town plans to budget each year to correct the infiltration problem by the year 1988.

Councilman H. A. Leet moved, seconded by Councilwoman L. C. Life and carried to go into Executive Session to discuss the proposed contract with the County on a sewer extension across the river.

Councilman H. A. Leet moved, seconded by Councilwoman L. C. Life and carried to go from Executive Session back into Regular Session.

Councilman Leap reported that the Jr. Order would be holding a Fall Festival October 27th. at the Jr. Order Hall and invited everyone to attend.

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