REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
October 21, 1985

The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held October 21, 1985 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, B. B. Holt, H. W. Leap and L. C. Life. R. E. Davis and H. A. Leet were absent. Dale Davenport, Attorney, Norma Leap, Clerk and Warren Pence, Chief of Police were also present.

Several people present were introduced. Jenny Crutchfield who is doing graduate work in the University of Virginia Nursing Program and William McDonald who has purchased the restaurant beside Robinson's Department Store.

Councilwoman L. C. Life moved, seconded by Councilman S. P. H. Flick and carried to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting September 16, 1985 as presented.

Mayor Dean reported that Mr. Monger is absent due to attending a Jr. O.U.A.M. Convention.

Chief Pence reported that the unmarked police car has not been repaired as Mr. Meadows, the mechanic, has had an injury which has kept him from being able to complete the work. He pointed out that they had cut down on overtime this past month but that there is one dispatcher on maternity leave which will create some overtime.

Councilman S. P. H. Flick moved, seconded by Councilman B. B. Holt and carried to approve the Finance Report for the months of July, August and September as presented.

Councilman S. P. H. Flick moved, seconded by Councilman B. B. Holt and carried to accept the audit report for the year ending June 30, 1985 as reviewed.

Mayor Dean reported that Mr. Monger had included in his report to council that he was contacted by the president of the Virginia Municipal Electric Association #1, Mr. Michael York, and it seems like the Vepco rate increase is near to settlement. November 8th. is the hearing date and things look favorable to the municipalities.

Councilwoman Life reported that the project at the Elementary School is on the drawing board. They have run into a few small problems but these are being worked out.

Councilman B. B. Holt moved, seconded by Councilman H. W. Leap to approve on Second Reading the following revisions to the town code:

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTIONS 5-4-4, 5-4-5, 5-4-6, 5-4-7, AND 5-4-8 OF THE ELKTON TOWN CODE TO ENACT A NEW SECTION 5-4-4, AND TO RENUMBER SECTION 5-4-9

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Elkton, Virginia:

1. That the following Sections of the Elkton Town Code are hereby repealed effective immediately: Sections 5-4-4, 5-4-5, 5-4-6, 5-4-7, and 5-4-8.

2. That a new Section 5-4-4 is enacted to read as follows: "Water and sewer meters shall be read and billed monthly. Rates for water sold by the Town inside and outside the Town, rates for sewer service inside and outside the Town, charges for reconnection of water service, deposits required of prospective consumers of water, and rules and regulations for water and sewer service, shall be

as set forth in a schedule of rates, charges, and regulations promulgated and fixed by the Town Council. A copy of the schedule of rates, charges, and regulations shall be maintained in the office of the Town Superintendent and in the Treasurer's office for public inspection."

3. That Section 5-4-9 is renumbered as Section 5-4-5.

The vote was recorded as follows:

Flick	- yea	Leap	- yea
Holt	- yea	Life	- yea

Councilman Holt reported that there had been some discussion regarding the possibility of making the Recreation Department a department of the town. Mr. Davenport is researching this and even if council did decide this is the way to go it would not take effect until next fiscal year.

Councilman Holt stated he did not attend the public hearing on the 911 System but according to the little information he has received he would not be opposed to it. He did have several concerns, the possibility that the cost could increase later and the possible elimination of our dispatching system. According to Mr. Monger's report it doesn't appear that the 911 System would replace or affect other dispatching systems as the 911 only handles emergency calls. The main benefit seems to be that a person only has to be able to dial 911, even if he cannot speak, and the dispatcher knows the address of the caller and can send help.

Councilwoman Life stated she had planned to attend the hearing but was not able to. She does have some questions. If the county goes into the system would all towns have to participate and what would it cost the taxpayers. According to Mr. Monger's report if the Board of Supervisors decide to go with the 911 System, the towns do not have the right to be different and it was recommended that, rather than add taxes to cover the cost that each line would be assessed approximately $0.89 per month. After construction costs would be approximately $0.45 per month.

Mayor Dean reported on several items from Mr. Monger's report on Water and Sewer. The sewer line to the Tannery apartments was set up for testing on Wednesday, October 16th. but the owners were not ready. The line is being worked on but no date has been set for final inspection. Prices were obtained on the fluoride equipment. The first price was $18,000.00 which was way out of line but the second price was $11,000.00 which was more in line. Dr. Bernhard of the Virginia Health Department has been contacted. All the information will be sent on to her. She will review all the specs and prices and make recommendations as to what we should purchase. Councilman Holt pointed out that the State will be paying for the equipment.

Councilwoman Life asked about the sewer contract with the County. Mayor Dean stated it has been signed by the Town and the County. According to Mr. Monger, this project is now in the hands of the engineers, Johnson and Williams.

Councilwoman Life stated that she presumes the letter went out to Commonwealth Cablevision after the last council meeting regarding the poor cable reception and service and Mayor Dean stated that it was mailed. She reported that reception began to improve the day after the meeting and she hasn't had one complaint. The reception isn't perfect but it is 100% better.

Councilman Leap invited council members to attend the Jr. Order's Fall Festival this Saturday at the Jr. Order Park.

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