REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
April 15, 1985

The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held April 15, 1985 at 8:00 P.M. in the council chambers with the Mayor Charles E. Dean presiding. The following council members were present: R. E. Davis, S. P. H. Flick, B. B. Holt, H. W. Leap, H. A. Leet and L. C. Life. Dale Davenport, Attorney, Betty Engle, Assistant Clerk, Jeffrey Nadeau, Chief of Police and Gerald Monger, Superintendent were also present.

Mr. I. J. Conley came before council requesting the closing of the south end of Barkman, which is unopened, and the south end of the alley which is located between Barkman and North Street. Mr. Conley also gave each council member a copy of a map which he had prepared showing the area of the request.

Jerry May presented council with copies of a map pertaining to the controversial alley on Ashby Avenue, between he and Freeman Meadows. Mr. May wanted to clarify to council the exact location and length of the alley. Mr. May told council the previous problem of people using the alley for vehicular traffic still existed, and that he and Mr. Meadows would be willing to purchase the alley or he alone would like to purchase the alley from the town.

Councilwoman Life moved, seconded by Councilman Holt and carried to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting March 18, 1985 with the following corrections: Becki Arehart to Becki Earhart and also the paragraph about each council member sending a letter to the Board of Supervisors, Councilwoman Life would like it to read that each council member call our representative on the Board of Supervisors.

Chief Nadeau explained the overtime listed on the report that had been sent out to each council member.

Councilman Davis reported that Vepco is getting ready for rate increases in Phase 1 and Phase 2 but do not know how that will affect the town as yet. Councilman Holt questioned the status of the school contract, and was told nothing had been done yet. Mr. Monger said they have been unable to purchase a demand meter that would read the demand and record the time of day. The town is losing money on this old contract and would like to negotiate with the County again, since there have been some changes in demand charges from Vepco since the old contract was signed.

Councilwoman Life asked Mr. Monger what was found out about termites in the Municipal Building and was told that two companies had checked and said that the building did not have wood boars. Also on the Planning Grant, Mr. Monger reported that he had received the application and he has an appointment on Thursday.

Councilwoman Life asked about the trash pick-up in the alleys. Mr. Holt suggested that the committee get together to discuss this along with several other matters and bring back to the next council meeting.

Councilwoman Life recommended that an ad be placed in the paper making people aware of May 15th. being clean-up week. Mr. Monger was asked to take care of this.

Councilwoman Life also made a report on progress being done on streets and sidewalks.

Councilman Leap reported that his committee had not met on the retirement for the Police Department, but they were planning to meet with the Finance Committee and that this would be discussed at that time.

A meeting was set for 3:30 P.M. Wednesday, April 17, 1985 for Personnel and Finance Committees.

Councilman Leet moved, seconded by Councilman Holt and carried to go into Executive Session to discuss extending sewer west of town and also personnel. Mr. Tim Hulings was invited to stay for the Executive Session.

Councilman Leet moved, seconded by Councilman Holt and carried to go from Executive Session back into Regular Session.

Councilman Leet moved, seconded by Councilman Holt that the council instruct Mr. Davenport to draw up a letter of intent with Michael Brothers stating that the town will pay for the difference in line size from the size sewer line that he needs to the size that the town needs which will be the 12 inch size, and will be approximately $10,000.00 and that the town, in addition to that, will help him on this project in as much as our sewer line seems to be inadequate. We will pay them an additional $5,000.00 to be payed in either taxes or utilities each accordingly. The vote was recorded as follows:

Davis	- yea	Leap	- yea
Flick	- yea	Leet	- yea
Holt	- yea	Life	- yea

Councilman Leet moved, seconded by Councilwoman Life and carried that the town state their agreement with the report which Mr. Monger will have to send to the Water Control Board in regard to their intentions as to eliminating water inflow infiltration into our sewer system. That pertains to the schedule and amounts of money that will have to be expended to comply with their requirements.

Councilman Leet asked Mr. Davenport to make some proposed changes to the agreement with the county for the extension of sewer lines and when these changes are made it will be approved or disapproved, whichever the case is, and then it will be submitted to the Mayor for his signature.

Councilman Holt read the following resolution that he proposed:

Whereas the Town of Elkton recognizes the existence of a litter problem within the boundaries of Elkton and

Whereas the Virginia Litter Control Act of 1976 provides, through the Department of Conservation and Historic Resources, Division of Litter Control, for the allocation of public funds in the form of Grants for the purpose of enhancing local litter control programs and

Whereas having reviewed and considered the Regulations and the Application covering administration and use of said funds

Be it resolved that the Elkton Town Council:

Hereby endorses and supports such a program for the Town of Elkton as is indicated in the attached Application Form LC-G-1 and

Hereby authorizes Gerald K. Monger, Town Superintendent, to plan, budget, and apply for a Grant which if approved, will be used to fund said Program and

Hereby requests the Department of Conservation and Historic Resources, Division of Litter Control, to consider and approve said Application and Program, said Program being in accord with the regulations governing use and expenditure of said funds.

Councilman Holt moved, seconded by Councilwoman Life, and carried to pass this resolution.

Councilman Holt moved, seconded by Councilman Davis, and carried to reconsider the alley on Ashby Avenue and get with the parties involved and work out some reconciliation agreeable to both parties.

Mayor Dean announced there would be a Public Hearing prior to the council meeting Monday, May 13, at 7:30 P.M. to hear comments and appoint viewers on Mr. Conley's request on closing the street and alley and to report back to council.

As there was no further business the meeting adjourned.

MAYOR: Charles E. Dean
Charles E. Dean, Mayor

RECORDER: Betty H. Engle
Betty H. Engle
Assistant Clerk