REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
November 18, 1991

The regular meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held November 18, 1991 at 8:00 p.m. in the council chambers with the Mayor Charles E. Dean presiding. The following council members were present: J. R. Correa Jr., R. C. Davis, H. W. Leap, L. C. Life, W. E. Printz and R. L. Snow. Dale Davenport, Attorney, Norma Leap, Clerk, Gerald Monger, Superintendent and Warren Pence, Chief of Police were also present.

Councilman R. L. Snow moved, seconded by Councilman J. R. Correa Jr. and carried to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting October 21, 1991 with the correction of 8:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for the time the meeting began.

Chief Pence stated he would like the Public Safety Committee to set a date to interview candidates to replace Officer Jay Lantz. The interviews were set for Wednesday, November 20th. at 7:00 p.m.

Chief Pence presented the monthly police report and answered questions regarding his department.

Councilman Correa stated he felt Officer Lantz should be commended for the good job he has done as a police officer for the town. He has been an asset to the town and he hates to see him go. Council was in complete agreement with this statement and wanted Officer Lantz to know he was appreciated.

Councilman R. L. Snow moved, seconded by Councilman W. E. Printz and carried to approve the Finance Report for the month of October 1991.

Councilman Snow recognized two visitors from Spotswood High School, Russell Elyard and Tim Roadcap. They were observing council proceedings for their government class.

Mel Kirkendall and Brandon Hensley, Spotswood High School students, were present regarding the Model General Assembly which will be held April 9-11. The cost per student will be $210.00. Four of the eight students planning to attend this year are from Elkton. They requested council donate $420.00 toward sending these students to the Model General Assembly.

Councilman R. L. Snow moved, seconded by Councilman W. E. Printz and carried to support the students from Elkton in the amount of $420.00.

Mayor Dean questioned if council wants to do anything on the utility rate studies.

Councilman Davis stated that he and Mr. Monger have talked about the electric rate study and are not comfortable with the study.

Councilwoman Life suggested, and council was in agreement, that the Committee Chairman contact their committee members and set up committee meetings to discuss the rate studies.

Councilman Printz reported that he had met with Mr. Lineberry of the State Highway Department about the sidewalk in front of King's Construction. There are no funds available at this time and we are back to square one on this project. The town cannot fix the problem and be reimbursed by the state when funds become available.

Mayor Dean suggested working through Senator Frank Nolen to see if the town could take over this street under the Street Maintenance Program. Council felt this would be a good idea.

Councilman Printz stated he will be coming to council with other ideas of ways to correct the problem.

Councilman Correa requested they also look into painting crosswalks from one side on the corner to the other side downtown at the triangle.

Councilwoman Life reported that she has received several calls concerning the rate increase by Adelphia Cable.

Councilwoman Life reported that she had 158 responses to the Recycling Survey. The majority consensus of those surveyed wanted recycling. Councilwoman Life stated she would like to thank the students from Spotswood High School who helped with the survey.

Councilwoman Life stated she will be getting with A.R.S. to discuss the possibility of having recycling pickup twice a month at $1.00 rather than four times a month at $2.00.

Councilwoman Life reported that she has met with Mr. Monger, Kenny Hammer and Bob Turner regarding completing the caboose project. She does not have all the figures ready at this time but hopes to have them ready for the next meeting. She presented a bill from Carter Lumber for completing the deck in the amount of $224.52 and requested council approve payment for this amount.

Councilman R. L. Snow moved, seconded by Councilman W. E. Printz and carried to pay Carter Lumber's bill in the amount of $224.52 for lumber used at the caboose.

Councilwoman L. C. Life moved, seconded by Councilman R. L. Snow to approve on Second Reading the Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance regarding home occupation as printed in the minutes of the Regular Meeting July 22, 1991. The vote was recorded as follows:

Correa	-	yea	Life	-	yea
Davis	-	yea	Printz	-	yea
Leap	-	yea	Snow	-	yea

Mel Kirkendall who was unable to make the Public Hearing spoke in favor of making Ore Wash Road a dead-end.

Councilwoman L. C. Life moved, seconded by Councilman W. E. Printz to recommend to the State that Ore Wash Road be made a dead-end street on the west side of the Norfolk Southern Railway. The vote was recorded as follows:

Correa	-	yea	Life	-	yea
Davis	-	yea	Printz	-	yea
Leap	-	yea	Snow	-	yea

Councilwoman Life stated she would like to compliment the EAUS for the service they are doing for our community.

Councilwoman Life reported that there is a trash pickup problem on Henry Avenue. This needs to be discussed at a committee meeting.

Councilman J. R. Correa Jr. moved, seconded by Councilwoman L. C. Life to approve on Second Reading the Grievance Procedure for the Town of Elkton with the following change:

> Item II. Section C. No. 2 will read as follows: The Mayor, or his designee, shall maintain a current list of the officers and employees excluded from the grievance procedure pursuant to Subparagraph C.1.

The vote was recorded as follows:

Correa	-	yea	Life	-	yea
Davis	-	yea	Printz	-	yea
Leap	-	yea	Snow	-	yea

Councilman Correa reported that the Personnel Committee is working on updating the Personnel Handbook and hopes to meet the December deadline with a draft for council to review. The committee meets again tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m. He also reported he is still working on software for the computer.

Councilman Henry Leap reported that he will be moving out of Elkton to the McGaheysville area. He submitted his resignation effective November 21st.

Councilman Leap stated he has enjoyed serving on the town council and felt it was an honor to have had this privilege.

Mayor Dean and Council expressed their appreciation to Councilman Leap for all his efforts on behalf of the town.

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