Special Council Meeting
October 22, 1998

A Special meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held October 22, 1998, in the council chambers with the Mayor Millard L. Dearing presiding. The roll call was as follows:

PRESENT

C. E. Dean
B. B. Horne

ABSENT

F. A. Bennett
R. C. Davis
W. E. Printz
R. L. Snow

Gerald Monger, Town Manger, Robert Marshall, Chief of Police, Kenny Flick, Director of Public Works, Julia Smith Treasurer/Clerk were also present.

Mayor Dearing called a special meeting to discuss two properties that are not in compliance with the town ordinance. There was not a quorum for this meeting. Mayor Dearing however, did address the two residents that were present. This is a brief summary of what occurred at that meeting.

Mayor Dearing addressed Mrs. Beulah Hensley of 144 North Street. Mayor Dearing stated that on June 19, 1998 a letter was sent to Mrs. Hensley stating that her property was not in compliance with the town ordinance. Mayor Dearing stated that on July 20, 1998 that this violation was brought up at the town council meeting. Mrs. Hensley stated that she was present for this meeting. Mayor Dearing told Mrs. Hensley that on July 20, 1998 he gave her 30 days to clean up the property. Mayor Dearing stated that he and other town employees volunteered time and helped clean up Mrs. Hensley's property. Mayor Dearing stated that pictures of Mrs. Hensley's property was taken today by Chief Marshall. The front of the property was found to be in compliance at this time. Mayor Dearing stated concern over the back of the property. Mrs. Hensley stated that her daughter would be coming to help her clean the property this weekend. Mayor Dearing gave Mrs. Hensley until November 1, 1998 to bring the property within compliance.

Mayor Dearing addressed Ms. Tammy Hensley of 602 Gibbons Avenue. Mayor Dearing stated that the goat being kept in this property was a violation of the town ordinance. Mayor Dearing read this ordinance to Ms. Hensley. Ms. Hensley stated that the goat was being kept at the back of the property, which she considers to be on the town and county line. Mr. Monger and Mr. Flick stated that the line had been checked and the goat, if kept on the back of the property, would still be considered in town. Chief Marshall showed pictures taken today that showed the goat in the middle of the back yard. Ms. Hensley refused to get rid of the goat. Ms. Hensley stated that she would see the town in court before she would get rid of the goat. Ms. Hensley stated that no one wants to attempt to remove the goat while she is at home. Ms. Hensley stated that she has had the goat for two years and would give up everything including her home to keep the goat.

Mayor Dearing next addressed the unsightliness of the property at 602 Gibbons Avenue. Mayor Dearing asked Ms. Hensley when the property would be cleaned up. Ms. Hensley stated that she will get when she can get to it. Mayor Dearing then gave Mrs. Hensley until November 1, 1998 to clean the property up to town ordinance standards.

Adjournment

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned.

MAYOR: M. Lee Dearing
M. Lee Dearing, Mayor

RECORDER: Julia M. Smith
Julia M. Smith, Clerk