Special Council Meeting
July 1, 1998
7:00 p.m.

A Special meeting of the Elkton Town Council was held July 1, 1998 at 7:00 p.m., in the council chambers with the Mayor M. Lee Dearing presiding. The roll call was as follows:

PRESENT

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

Gerald Monger, Town Manager, Robert Marshall, Chief of Police, Kenny Flick, Director of Public Works, Theodore Pence, Director of Recreation, Julia Smith, Interim Treasurer/Clerk were also present.

Mayor Dearing introduced James Porter, new police officer and Julia Smith Interim Treasurer/Clerk of Council.

Fill Council Vacancy

Mayor Dearing requested to wait until the scheduled July meeting to fill the vacancy on council. After much discussion a motion was made.

Councilman R. L. Snow moved to fill the vacancy by appointing Charlie Dean; seconded by R. C. Davis and the motion was carried.

YEAS: **F. A. Bennett, R. C. Davis, R. L. Snow**

NAYS: **B.B. Horne, W. E. Printz**

Appoint Committees and Discuss Guidelines

Mr. Dearing stated his choices for committees. After much discussion among council a decision was made to appoint committees at the regular July council meeting.

Appoint Vice Mayor

W. E. Printz moved to appoint R. L. Snow, Vice Mayor; second B. B. Horne and the motion was carried..

YEAS: **F. A. Bennett, R. C. Davis, W. E. Printz, B. B. Horne.**

Relationship among the Mayor, the Council and the Town Manager

Mr. Bennett passed out condition when Ted Costin was here. Mr. Bennett stated that he would like to see the same conditions apply. Mr. Dearing argued that it was part of Costins' contract and that he (Dearing) would have more time to devote to his office. Mr. Dearing stated that he will be in the Town Managers office daily. Stated that he should not have to go to the town manager before talking to an employee. Mr. Dearing said that we didn't know if town ordinance were being enforced in he could not talk to employees.

Dale Davenport stated that he has reservations about Bennett's proposal in respect to the Mayor. Town charter states it is the mayors job to see that ordinances are fully executed. Stated that the mayor can not hire or fire employees. Mr. Dearing stated that the charter was our official document.

Mr. Dearing stated that he will be setting the agenda for meetings from now on. If issues have not been through committee they will not go on the agenda.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

MAYOR: M Lee D
M. Lee Dearing, Mayor

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