

TOWN OF KEEDYSVILLE, MARYLAND

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Ken Lord, Mayor
Barry Levey, Assistant Mayor
Gina Ellis, Council Member
Judy Kerns, Council Member
Matthew Hull, Council Member

January 2, 2019

The monthly meeting of the Keedysville Town Council was called to order at 7:00pm with the following members present: Mayor Ken Lord, Assistant Mayor Barry Levey, Council Members Judy Kerns, and Matt Hull and Town Administrator Rick Bishop.

The minutes for December, 2018 were read and approved.

General Fund report was \$545874.96

Mayor Lord noted the announcements listed on the agenda.

Mr. Bishop said that to facilitate the transfer of the piece of property on the other side of the creek behind Town Hall to Fairview Cemetery, another piece of property of equal or better size, value and use would need to be acquired to accommodate the POS grant used to purchase the property. Mr. Hull said he believed that leasing the property to the cemetery would be a better solution.

Mr. Bishop said that Ellen Green hoped to have the Town website up and running by the end of the month.

Mr. Bishop that engineered drawings for the Town signs were in process.

Mr. Bishop said that the grant applied for to make improvements to the property at 15 South Main Street was not qualified because the Town does not currently own the property.

Mr. Bishop said that he received a contract for the property at 15 South Main Street. He gave it to the Council for them to review and comment.

Mr. Hull noted that he is talking with a company that does stream bank restoration. He is interested in doing restoration along Little Antietam Creek from the bridge on Main Street to the bridge on Coffman Farms road.

Mr. Bishop gave an update on the SHA Main Street project. He said that Congressional Contracting was undergoing a restructuring and could start work anytime. He added that was possible that it could be in a week or month or more and that another contractor continuing the work was a possibility.

Mr. Bishop noted that a new copier for Town Hall will need to be obtained as the current one is suffering. He suggested that the purchase of a new one would be preferable to a lease.

Ms. Kerns asked if the Keedysville historical data James Favata collected had been provided to the Town on a hard drive. Mr. Bishop said not yet.

Sue Gemeny asked who owned the memorial wreaths in the park. No one knew.

Mr. Bishop asked if the Council would approve moving the various accounts from BB&T to Middletown Valley Bank. He said that BB&T is too big to effectively manage the accounts. He said he had met with Susan Grove and other representatives.

Ms. Kerns asked about intertown emails with Boonsboro regarding a Keedysville Water account held by the Town of Boonsboro. Mr. Bishop suggested that the account was a holding account for the water collections that Boonsboro collected for Keedysville.

Mr. Hull made a motion to move the accounts from BB&T to MVB. Ms. Kerns seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Levey made a motion to donate \$1000.00 each to First Hose Company of Boonsboro, Boonsboro Rescue Squad, Sharpsburg Fire Department and Sharpsburg Rescue Squad. Ms. Kerns seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Levey made a motion to donate \$250.00 to the Maryland Municipal League for their Legislative Reception. Mr. Hull seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Lord said he would be attending the reception.

Ms. Kerns asked where the Public Information Act training would take place. Mr. Bishop said Town Hall in Boonsboro.

Dian Thomson said she had a call from the Hub City Model A Club asking if the Town would be holding another festival in 2019. She asked the Council if they would be interested in putting on another, albeit smaller, festival this year. She asked if the Town would fund some of the activities.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Submitted,

Richard Bishop

Town Administrator