January 4. 2010

The monthly meeting of the Keedysville Town Council was opened with the following members present: Mayor Hull, Council members, David Brumage, Richard Walton and Town Administrator Rick Bishop

Minutes from November 2, 2009 were read and approved. Minutes from December 7, 2009 were amended to state that the previous month's minutes had not been approved because there was no quorum at the meeting.

The treasurer's report was as follows: \$207,551.55

Mayor Hull thanked Amy Simmons for her long tenure of dedicated service to Keedysville in the capacity of Town Administrator. Her replacement, Rick Bishop was welcomed.

The Maryland Department of Planning's review of the town's Comprehensive Plan was presented and forwarded to the Planning & Zoning Commission to be reviewed with representatives from ARRO.

Mayor Hull informed the Council that the rate for the Sheriff's patrol was going from \$35.00 to \$45.00.

Greg Murray, the Washington County Administrator, talked about the tax set off and the difference between the tax differential method and the rebate method of calculation. He said that as of July 1, 2010 the County will use the tax differential method.

The Bostetter Settlement Agreement regarding the annexation of land for the Booster Pump Station was reviewed. David Brumage made a motion to accept the settlement agreement subject to changes as the town's attorney sees necessary. Richard Walton seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Don Weigel requested that the street light near his house be repaired so as to stop the noise coming from it.

James Kerns mentioned the problem he had with Apple Valley Waste had been resolved by Amy Simmons.

No further business to discuss.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Submitted, Richard Bishop Town Administrator