

May 8, 2012

The monthly meeting of the Keedysville Town Council was called to order at 7:00 pm with the following members present: Mayor Matt Hull, Assistant Mayor Barry Levey, Council Members Victoria Gudeman and Gina Ellis and Town Administrator Rick Bishop. Council Member Richard Walton arrived at 7:45pm.

Dennis Weaver, the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Washington County, swore in Matthew Hull as Mayor and Gina Ellis as Council Member.

Minutes from April 2, 2012 were read and approved.

General Fund Report was \$289,891.43.

Julie Pippel, the Director of the Washington County Department of the Environment spoke to the Mayor & Council about Phase II of the Watershed Implementation Plan for the Chesapeake Bay and how the plan affects Keedysville. There was about an hour of discussion. She advised the Mayor and Council that Keedysville currently needed to come up with a response to the plan, be it a resolution or a statement read into the minutes.

The dedication of the ball field and sign were discussed. The Mayor & Council agreed to, individually, visit the ball field and pick a location for the sign. Mr. Walton made a motion to move forward with purchasing the sign and Ms. Gudeman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor advised the Council that the ordinance to transfer the first three ponds from Dan Ryan Builders to Keedysville has been delayed due to a discrepancy in the wording on the deed.

The Multi-Hazard Plan for Washington County was discussed. Mr. Bishop informed the Mayor & Council that he had represented the Town on the committee that worked on putting the plan together and that Town Attorney, Ed Kuczynski, had read and given his blessing for the document. Mr. Hull read the resolution to adopt the plan. Mr. Walton made a motion to adopt the plan and Ms. Gudeman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Cathy-Beckley Thomas, from the American Cancer Society spoke about the Relay for Life event.

Mr. Levey made a motion to donate \$1000.00 to the Boonsboro Rescue Squad and Mr. Walton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Levey made a motion to donate \$400.00 to Micah's Backpack, a program to provide food to underprivileged children. Ms. Gudeman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Levey made a motion to donate \$300 to Fairview Cemetery. Mr. Walton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bishop informed the Mayor & Council about the need to replace two panels on the play equipment in Taylor Park. One panel would be replaced with the same equipment but a second panel would need to be selected. Mr. Levey made a motion to select the Tic-tac-toe panel for \$894.00 and to obtain a price for the Space Craft Panel. Mr. Walton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bishop presented a budget proposal for Fiscal Year 2013 to be reviewed by the Mayor & Council before the June meeting.

Mayor Hull asked whether the Council would like to change the date and or/time for the Town elections from 9:00am-6:00pm on the first Monday of May. Mr. Bishop informed the Mayor & Council that Mr. Kuczynski recommended that very specific language be used in making a motion to change the charter regarding the election date and times. Mr. Levey said he would find out what times the elections had been

when the elections were on Saturday. It was agreed to have the language for the motion at the June meeting.

Sue Gemeny spoke to the Mayor & Council about a question by Nancy Kurtz from the Maryland Historic Trust about the viability of restoring the cistern at the intersection of Mt. Hebron Rd. and North Main St. After much discussion, Eric Ellis & Robert Watkins agreed to put together a scope of work to restore the cistern.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted,
Richard Bishop
Town Administrator