

# 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*

October 3, 2018

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, Gina Ellis, and Matt Hull and Town Administrator Rick Bishop.

The minutes for September, 2018 were read and approved.

General Fund report was \$520,997.99.

Mayor Lord noted the announcements listed on the agenda.

Mayor Lord thanked all who participated in the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, in particular Judy Kerns & Dian Thomson. He said a good time was had by all.

Art Williamson spoke about the financial condition of SE Washington County Health & Community Services, or the Old Keedysville School. He noted that the center is operating in the red. He also noted that, as far as he knew, most of the board would be retiring in December. Washington County Commissioner Wayne Keefer said that there were three county grants that might work for the center. He noted the Gaming Commission Grants. The center had applied for that grant but had been denied. He also noted the Community Funding Organization (CFO). He said that program had closed in August, but the center could apply for the grant next year. Lastly, he noted a general fund contingency that the commissioners have. He encouraged Mr. Williamson to apply to the commissioners for the general fund contingency now and to apply for the CFO next year.

Ms. Kerns made a motion to donate \$250.00 to the Boy Scout Troop 20 for all of their help with the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Mr. Levey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Kerns made a motion to pay James Favata \$2,500.00 for the historical video he produced. Mr. Levey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Suzanne Griffin of Concerned Citizens Against Rockwool spoke at length about the potential hazards to the entire area from the proposed Rockwool plant that would be constructed in Jefferson County, WV. Among other things, she noted the proposed plant's proximity to an elementary school and the air & water pollution that would be created. She said

that Keedysville would be affected by these pollutions. She asked the Mayor & Council to draft a letter in support of her organization. Mr. Levey made a motion to draft the letter. Ms. Kerns seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Ellis noted the debris collecting behind the upper bridge on Keedysville Road. She said she had talked to Washington County Commissioner Jeff Cline about the situation.

Eric Matson revisited his desire to re-zone his property along Rt. 34 from Suburban Residential to a more agricultural friendly zone, be it to add an Agricultural Zone to the Town Zoning Ordinance or to create an agricultural overlay. Mr. Bishop asked him to come to the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting on Monday, October 8.

Ms. Ellis asked for the old water cooler to be removed at the library.

Mr. Levey made a motion to donate \$400.00 to Breast Cancer Awareness. Ms. Kerns seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Levey asked for the gravel that has collected on Dogstreet Road in front of his property to be removed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Submitted,

Richard Bishop

Town Administrator