November 4, 2013

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 Richard Walton, and Gina Ellis and Town Administrator Rick Bishop.

Minutes from October 7, 2013 were read and approved.

General Fund Report was \$374,243.99

Mr. Bishop updated the Mayor and Council on the meeting with the MD State Highway Administration regarding the streetscape plan for Main St.

Mayor Hull presented a quote from Smith Renovations to replace the front porch roof on the library. Ms. Ellis asked if an additional quote or two could be obtained for comparison. Mayor Hull said he would see what he could find.

Mr. Bishop noted a Watershed Implementation Plan workshop he would be attending in Williamsport.

Mr. Bishop noted that the refuse contract would be ending January 31, 2014, so it would need to be put out to bid. He presented a bid specification page for the Mayor & Council's approval. Mr. Levey asked that the term of the contract be included in the specs. Mr. Levey made a motion to place the bid, with the addition of the term. Mr. Walton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Ellis mentioned that Robert Watkins had taken the bombs for the WWII monument area home to clean and paint them but they had not been returned yet.

Ms. Ellis noted that she had an additional security company that she would like the Mayor & Council see their presentation regarding cameras for the park and spring house.

Mayor Hull suggested that Deb Smith, the former Town Manager for Boonsboro might be interested in writing various grants for Keedysville.

Mr. Walton noted a complaint from a resident regarding an operation at 86 So. Main St. It was asserted that there was an auto repair business being operated in a garage at the location. Mayor Hull noted that the Town had contacted the owner at 86 So. Main St. and that he had replied that he was not operating a business, but doing mechanical work for friends and family. There was then discussion about the noise caused by this. Mayor Hull noted the difficulty of enforcing Washington County's noise ordinance. He suggested that if it continues to be a problem, possibly the complainant could contact the Washington County Sheriff's Dept. and a nuisance ordinance could be enforced.

Ms. Ellis asked if the trees along the bend on So. Main St. could be trimmed or removed. She said they were on State property. Mr. Bishop said he would contact SHA. Meeting adjourned at 7:57p.m.

Submitted, Richard Bishop Town Administrator