

# 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*

November 7, 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.

Ms. Kerns and Dian Thomson were presented with flowers and framed citations in recognition of their efforts in organizing Keedysville's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

The minutes for October, 2018 were read and approved.

General Fund report was \$498,667.77

Mayor Lord noted the announcements listed on the agenda.

Deputy Tracey Peyton, the Keedysville community deputy from the Washington County Sheriff's Office was welcomed. He discussed his schedule and asked for input as to how he can best serve the Town.

Ms. Ellis asked about the status of the Keedysville signs. Mr. Bishop said that Stu Mullendore was looking into what needed to be done to adhere to state and county regulations.

The FY2018 Audited Financial Statement prepared by Smith Elliott Kerns accounting firm was presented to the Council. Mr. Bishop noted it was a clean audit and the town was in good financial shape.

Mr. Bishop presented two quotes for repairing the stone pillar in Taylor Park. One was for \$1,400 from Steve Smith. The other was for \$2,400 from Andy Wyand. Mr. Hull made a motion to contract Steve Smith to do the repair. Ms. Kerns seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bishop discussed maintenance and mowing of the area around the Stonecrest sign. He said that the property owner would be willing to transfer that section of the property to the Town at no cost. The Council agreed to research the issue to come up with a solution. One question was whether the property owner has a mortgage on the property.

Ms. Ellis noted that the outfield fence at the ballfield had been installed. She also asked for input on where the flagpole should be installed. Either side off the gate in the centerfield fence would be good. Mayor Lord suggested that a public nuisance ordinance might be a good idea. He asked for the Council's input. Deputy said that a violation of a town nuisance ordinance would not be a crime but a code violation. There was discussion about a specific property. The discussion covered possible zoning violations, possible halfway house use and other things, various state license plates on vehicles among other things.

Sue Gemeny asked what could be done about abandoned vehicles. Mr. Bishop said he would send letters to the various property owners.

Deputy Peyton said there needs to be a stop sign or yield sign placed in Stonecrest at the split in the road.

Ms. Ellis gave an update about the Community Center. She said the eviction process for the daycare owner is beginning. Also, she said the Center was awarded a grant by the Washington County Commissioners.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Submitted,

Richard Bishop

Town Administrator