

February 4, 2008

The monthly meeting of the Keedysville Town Council was opened with the following members present: Mayor Hull, Asst Mayor Levey, Council Members, Brumage, Robertson, Walton and Town Administrator Simmons.

Minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was as follows: \$340,148.86

A brief update was given on the CR walk thru that was held on January 19th. Dan Ryan was a no show both at the walk thru and tonight. The Town was contacted by Wash. Co. Sewer Department regarding an issue that surfaced during the walk thru. Item was found to be a problem and corrections have been made. A full punch out list followed with pictures has been sent to Jim Dorsey and Dan Ryan Builders. Bond reduction will continue to be tabled until needed corrections have been made.

A charter Amendment was introduced to Mayor and Council that would stagger the election of Mayor and Asst. Mayor in future elections. Up for election in May 2008 will be the Mayor, Asst. Mayor and 1 Council Seat currently held by Mary Robertson, Both the Mayor and Council seat will be for a 4 year term while the initial term of Asst. Mayor will be for two years. During the next election held in May 2010 the Asst. Mayor, and 2 council seats (held by R. Walton and D. Brumage) will be up for election for a 4 year term. David Brumage made a motion to accept amendment and Mary 2nd all agreed. Motion passed

A discussion regarding the possibility of a real estate tax increase was discussed, figures were presented regarding other local municipalities and the revenue that would be created by a small increase, Richard Walton suggested that the budget be reviewed for a future look at overall spending and income all agreed. A workshop meeting was scheduled for Monday Feb 25th at 6:30pm.

Mayor Hull gave a bid for speed humps to be placed on Taylor Drive and the possibility of CR. The idea of lowering the Speed limit in CR was also discussed.

A discussion was held regarding the upcoming hearing on the redistricting of Keedysville children and the WCBOE J-9 proposal. Many residents were present to voice their frustration and unhappiness regarding the plan. Mayor Hull advised that he would be attending the meeting on Feb 5th at BMS. He urged all residents to attend and voice their concern to the board in a professional manner while sticking to the facts.

No further business to discuss.

Submitted,
Amy Simmons
Town Clerk