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Public Hearing: Water Rates & Fees
Minutes
November 3, 2021

Approved

The Public Hearing regarding water rates and fees with the Keedysville Mayor and Town Council was called to order at 6:45pm with the following present: Mayor Ken Lord, Assistant Mayor Brandon Sweeney, Council Members Judy Kerns and Matt Hull, Town Attorney Ed Kuczynski, and Town Administrator Lisa Riner.

The Town's current water rates and fees ordinance ends at the end of the quarter. The current ordinance includes a 5% water rate increase every year, \$26 fixed rate, and a \$10,000 connection fee. Mr. Sweeney ran through all of the numbers and tried to estimate where the Town's water income and expenses would be. He would also like to begin a water maintenance program for the Town. After looking through everything, he settled on an annual increase of 8% for five years, increasing the fixed rate to \$33, and increasing the connection fee to \$12,000.00. The water fund would start to break even in 2024 with those numbers. This would be a five-year plan just like the previous ordinance.

Mr. Hull noted that mechanical and electrical costs have been going up steadily.

Mayor Lord noted there is also value in staying ahead of emergencies, which are expensive.

Hearing adjourned at 6:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Lisa Riner Town Administrator

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Call to Order

Water User Rates

Debt Service Charge

Water Tap Connection Fee

Comments by Residents

Comments by Council

Adjournment

Notice

Notice is hereby given by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Keedysville, as its duly constituted legislative body, that a joint Public Hearing of the Mayor and Council and Keedysville Water Commission will be held in Council Chambers, Town Hall, on November 3, 2021 at 6:45 P.M. The hearing is being scheduled pursuant to the provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland and the Charter of the Town of Keedysville, to consider whether or not to revise the quarterly water rates, water service fixed rate fee and/or water service connection fee. A copy of the existing rates and proposed revisions are on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Keedysville, Maryland. Same may be copied or inspected in that office and it is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof for convenience and economy. Pursuant to the Maryland Open Meetings Law, notice is hereby given that the deliberations of the Mayor and Council and Water Commission are open to the public. The Mayor and Council will make a determination as to whether or not to revise the quarterly water rates, water service fixed rate and/or water service connection fee. The determination will be made at a regular meeting to be held following the Public Hearing or will be made at a meeting to be held at a later date, the date and time of which will be announced. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Lisa Riner at (301) 432-5795. Any person desiring a stenographic transcript shall be responsible for supplying a competent stenographer at their expense.

Town of Keedysville, Maryland By: Mayor and Council

Edward L. Kuczynski Town Attorney

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