

# TOWN OF KEEDYSVILLE, MARYLAND

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## Mayor and Council Minutes June 1, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Keedysville Mayor and Town Council was called to order at 6:59 pm with the following present: Mayor Ken Lord, Assistant Mayor Brandon Sweeney, Council Members Judy Kerns, Matt Hull, and Sarah Baker, Town Attorney Ed Kuczynski, Town Administrator Lisa Riner, and Administrative Assistant Teresa Pangle.

Minutes from the May 4, 2022 meeting were approved.

The General Fund Report was \$413,219.73.

Kevin Tucker, Washington County Clerk of Court swore in Assistant Mayor Brandon Sweeney, Council Member Judy Kerns, and Council Member Matt Hull. They were re-elected in the May 7, 2022 election.

Teresa Pangle was hired as the Town's new administrative assistant.

Deputy Tracey Peyton completed the following patrol checks: 4 at the park and library, 6 at the cemetery, 7 at Rockingham, 10 at Cannon Ridge, 4 at Stonecrest, 3.5 hours of foot patrol, 4 hours of traffic enforcement, 1 warning, 6 citations, 1 parking ticket, 2 criminal arrests, 1 DUI, alarm at Town Hall, assisted the county with a collision, assault call, and warrant service.

Mr. Sweeney made a motion to approve the fiscal year 2023 Town and Water Budget as an emergency ordinance with the comments made at the Budget Hearing. Ms. Kerns seconded, and all voted in favor.

The Town completed all of the requirements to become a Banner Town with the Maryland Municipal League.

The Town received a \$20,000.00 grant from the Maryland Smart Energy Communities Program. The Green Team is considering getting solar panels on the Library to offset energy costs at the Park and Library.

There were no applicants for the alternate positions on the Planning and Zoning Commission. The alternate positions are not required to be filled.

The electronic filing of Town Hall records was tabled until the next meeting so that Ms. Riner can do more research.

Antietam Broadband submitted a draft agreement to Mr. Kuczynski. Antietam does not want to pay franchise fees for internet installation, only video service when it is available. There was much discussion.

At the last meeting, the Council suggested using Program Open Space funds for a pickleball/tennis court or a dog park. The netting behind the basketball court needs to be replaced. The Town could also install a water line inside the food pavilion. There was much discussion. Most of the equipment inside the food pavilion belongs to the Ruritan. Another idea was to add exercise equipment for older people in the park. Ms. Baker will look into the cost of a pickleball/tennis court.

The grant funding for the streambank restoration was awarded. The Town would like the streambank to have vegetation and a couple of access points to the creek. There are some pipes leading into the creek that the Soil and Conservation representatives can't identify. According to resident Diane Putman, those pipes could be left from when residents used pumps to get water from the creek.

Ms. Kerns motioned to make a \$500.00 donation to Fairview Cemetery, Ms. Baker seconded, and all voted in favor.

Mr. Hull motioned to approve the Personnel and Leave Policy. Ms. Kerns seconded, and all approved.

Ms. Putman told the Council about problems she has with large trucks entering Antietam Drive and then trying to back out and hitting her fence. There was much discussion. Ms. Riner will look into getting a sign that discourages large trucks, as well as installing bollards on the sidewalk. Resident Diane Thomson also noted that an ambulance can't fit through the turn from Antietam Drive to Mt. Vernon Lane. Ms. Riner will call the 911 center and make sure they are aware, so they can direct emergency vehicles.

Antietam Youth Athletic League (AYAL) did not end up using the ball field during the Spring. The field is in bad shape. Ms. Riner has notified them that they need to get it cleaned up. South County Little League is interested in using the field if AYAL is not going to and they will maintain it. The Council will think about what they want to do with the field.

Mr. Sweeney motioned to pass the Resolution for the Water System Maintenance Program, which is a joint resolution with the Water Commission. Ms. Baker seconded and all voted in favor.

Seth Wilson introduced himself to the Council and said he is running to become a Delegate in District 2A. There was some discussion as Council members shared issues and concerns for the District.

Resident Patsy Holder purchased a park bench in memory of her husband, Marvin Holder. The bench could be placed where the broken bench currently is. However, that is also the location the Council discussed installing the memorial bike rack for Jamie Geraghty. The bench and bike rack will be put there together, and the Town will add more concrete if necessary.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Riner

Town Administrator

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## Budget Hearing June 1, 2022

All attendees must sign in. Attendee comments will only be heard during the appropriate time in the agenda. Those wishing to be heard must check the appropriate box. Comments will be limited to three minutes each.

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	WISH TO BE HEARD
SETH WILSON	HAGER STOWN MD	301 799 2155	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dian Thomson	9 Mt. Vernon La	301-305 2296	<input type="checkbox"/>
Justin Holder	308 W. Chapline St Sharpsburg MD	21782	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Diane Putman			<input type="checkbox"/>
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# Mayor & Council and Water Commission Meeting

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## Mayor & Council Agenda June 1, 2022

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: May 4, 2022 Meeting

General Fund Report: \$413,219.73

Announcements

Kevin Tucker, Washington County Clerk of Court: Swearing-In of Assistant Mayor Brandon Sweeney, Council Member Judy Kerns, and Council Member Matt Hull

Community Deputy Report

Old Business: FY 2023 Budget; Banner Town; Planning and Zoning Commission Alternates; Electronic Filing of Town Hall Records; Antietam Broadband Installation; POS Project Ideas for FY2024; Streambank Restoration

New Business: Maryland Smart Energy Community Grant Award; \$500 Donation to Fairview Cemetery; Personnel Policy Changes

Comments by Residents: Diane Putman

Comments by Council

Adjournment