# TOWN OF KEEDYSVILLE, MARYLAND

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Ken Lord, Mayor Brandon Sweeney, Assistant Mayor Judy Kerns, Council Matthew Hull. Council Sarah Baker, Council

Approved

Mayor and Council Minutes December 7, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Keedysville Mayor and Town Council was called to order at 7:00 pm with the following present: Mayor Ken Lord, Assistant Mayor Brandon Sweeney, Council Members Matt Hull, Judy Kerns, Sarah Baker, Town Attorney Ed Kuczynski, and Administrative Assistant Teresa Pangle.

Minutes from the November 2, 2022 meeting were approved.

The General Fund Report was \$731,417.97

No Announcements

#### **Community Deputy Report**

There was no report due to Washington County's website being hacked.

### **Resident Comments**

Jill Barrow spoke about the possible tennis/pickleball court location being next to the library and behind her house. She has several concerns about noise, light, privacy, safety, and aesthetics. She suggested using an area around the ballfield. Mr. Hull mentioned the stakes were put up so the Council could get a visual of the size. Mayor Lord and Mr. Hull both mentioned this is a proposed area and details are still being worked out. Ms. Kerns pointed out the Town has not yet applied for the grant money. There was a discussion about using the area near the ballfield if there is enough room.

Karen Matson owns property on Dogstreet Rd and is having issues with trash being dumped on her property. She knows there isn't much the Town can do but wanted to make the Town aware. Ms. Baker suggested she consider putting up trail cams. The Town can ask Deputy Peyton to keep an eye on that area.

Dian Thompson commented about notifying property owners, as a courtesy when things like tennis/pickleball courts are in the planning phase.

#### **Old Business**

Redundant Street Lights – Ms. Pangle reported she was informed by Matt Voorhaar from Potomac Edison, the lights should be removed by the end of December, or January at the latest, but the process will start in December.

Library Roof Replacement – Mr. Hull motioned to award the contract to Complete Builders for the standing seam roof, and Mr. Sweeney amended it with the removal of old layers, new underlayment, gutters, downspouts, the same color as pavilions, and possible snowbirds, Ms. Kerns seconded and all voted in favor.

Bathroom Roof Replacement – Mr. Hull motioned to award the contract to Complete Builders for the standing seam roof with the removal of old layers, new underlayment, gutters, downspouts, the same color as pavilions, and possible snowbirds, Ms. Baker seconded and all voted in favor.

Maryland Smart Energy Community Grant/Solar Panels – There was some discussion about the different technologies (optimizers vs. microinverters and diverters for roof pipes) between the bids. Mr. Sweeney motioned to award the contract to Nationwide Energy Solutions, Mr. Hull seconded and all voted in favor.

LED Bulbs in Town Hall and Library – Installed and complete.

Holiday Banners – Ms. Kerns reported Williamsport is not using its snowflakes this year. There was some discussion about contacting the person who builds Christmas displays for Williamsport.

Brandenburg Field – The last day for AYAL to remove their shed and belongings was November 7. Anything still out there belongs to the Town.

Purchasing & Competitive Bidding Ordinance – Mr. Sweeney motioned to pass the resolution subject to the edits, Ms. Baker seconded and all voted in favor.

Verizon Cell Tower – There was much discussion. There are still too many questions and not enough information to make a decision. Mayor Lord suggested having Mr. Novak from Site Link Wireless attend next month's meeting.

Tennis/Pickleball Court Location – This was discussed above in resident comments. The Council is open to other locations.

#### **New Business**

Interfund Loan Forgiveness - Mr. Hull motioned to forgive the loan, Ms. Kerns seconded, and all voted in favor.

Town Hall Boiler Service – Council wants more detail on what Larry and Sons covers. Mr. Kuczynski suggested contacting AC&T. Mayor Lord suggested this be tabled until more information is received.

Level 2 Energy Audit – This energy audit is required for certification with Sustainable Maryland. Mr. Sweeney motioned to award Emat, Mr. Hull seconded and all voted in favor.

Maryland Rural Development Corporation Grant Writer – Mr. Hull motioned to bring on the grant writer Kathyrn Gratton for 6 months with a focus on the USDA loan, Ms. Kerns seconded and all voted in favor.

Trailer Parking on Main Street – Ms. Kerns has received complaints regarding the trailer parked in front of the Post Office. It is impeding visibility when pulling out from the Post Office and Coffman Farms Rd. There was much discussion. Mr. Sweeney motioned based on safety concerns and pending a conversation with Mr. Simmons to move the trailer, if not moved in a week to purchase a sign the same as the one currently out there, Ms. Kerns seconded and all voted in favor.

## **Council Comments**

Mr. Sweeney inquired about the faulty wiring of electrical outlets on light poles. Ms. Pangle mentioned Ms. Riner plans to contact the State to see if there is a chance, they will fix their errors.

Mr. Sweeney mentioned the drainage easement assessment was checked and good to go.

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Teresa Pangle Administrative Assistant

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# Mayor & Council and Water Commission Meeting December 7, 2022

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

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	WISH TO BE HEARD
Dias	Thomson 9 Mt Ver	30-305- 100 2296	
Jill &	Barrow 3 Bedrock	(Cir. 1769	
Karen	n & Matson Farms Rd	an 240-818 4010	

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: November 2, 2022 Meeting

General Fund Report: \$731,417.97

**Announcements** 

**Community Deputy Report** 

**Resident Comments** 

Old Business: Redundant Street Lights; Library Roof Replacement; Maryland Smart Energy Community Grant/Solar Panels; LED bulbs in Town Hall and Library; Holiday Banners; Brandenburg Field; Purchasing & Competitive Bidding Ordinance; Verizon Cell Tower; Tennis/Pickleball Court Location

New Business: Interfund Loan Forgiveness; Town Hall Boiler Service; Level 2 Energy Audit; Maryland Rural Development Corporation Grant Writer, Trailer parking on Main Street.

Resident Comments Related to Agenda Items

**Council Comments** 

Adjournment