

# TOWN OF KEEDYSVILLE, MARYLAND

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## Planning & Zoning Commission Minutes March 9, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Keedysville Planning & Zoning Commission was called to order at 7:03pm with the following present: Members John Puffenbarger and Jeff Russell, Ex-Officio Matt Hull, Alternate Tom Clemens, Town Attorney Ed Kuczynski, and Town Administrator Lisa Riner.

The minutes from February 9, 2023 were read and approved.

There were no announcements.

Kathryn Gratton, Keedysville's grant writer from Maryland Rural Development Corporation, is going to apply for a grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission to help pay for the consultant for the Comprehensive Plan Update.

The Commission discussed the March 1<sup>st</sup> Public Information Session regarding Verizon's request to put cell antennas on the water tower. The residents in attendance were not in favor of the plan. There was then some discussion about the safety and potential health effects of the antennas, the possibility that Verizon could put up a cell tower right outside town limits, and what type of 5G regulations might be necessary for the future. Ms. Riner will get some examples of 5G regulations from other municipalities.

Mr. Kuczynski handed out a draft of the Container Regulations. There was some discussion and a few minor changes were made.

There was much discussion about Short-Term Rental regulations. It was decided to require a special exception in all types of zoning within the Town. Mr. Kuczynski will format a draft of the regulations for the next meeting.

A public hearing for the Container Regulations and Short-Term Rental Regulations will need to be held in May or June.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Riner  
Town Administrator