

TOWN OF KEEDYSVILLE, MARYLAND

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approved

Mayor and Council Minutes July 5, 2023

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

Minutes from the June 7, 2023 meeting were approved.

The General Fund Report was \$402,363.99

Announcements were read

Community Deputy Report

Deputy Peyton completed his normal checks, 13 in Cannon Ridge, 12 in Rockingham, 12 in Stonecrest, 8 in the park, and 4 in the Cemetery. He had 5 hours of foot patrol and 1 traffic warning. Assisted the county with an intoximeter test and assisted with a 911 call just outside of Town. Mr. Sweeney thanked Deputy Peyton for his years of service to the Town. Deputy Peyton introduced Deputy Dakota Watkins who will be the Town's new Deputy when Deputy Peyton retires.

Resident Comments

Joseph Clipp introduced himself and co-chair Rev. Delancy Catlett. They presented information regarding the Crop Walk. The money raised goes to Church World Service, a group of 37 different denominations and communities that do disaster relief all around the world. 25% of the money from the walk comes back to the South Washington County Emergency Fund to assist people in various ways. Last year they raised close to \$10 thousand dollars. The Crop Walk will be held in Taylor Park on Sunday, October 8, 2023. The Puritans prepare food and drink free for those who participate in the walk.

Old Business

Redundant Street Lights – Ms. Pangle reported she spoke to Mr. Voorhaar from Potomac Edison today and we should see activity by the end of next week.

Verizon Cell Tower – No updates.

Tennis/Pickleball Court – Ms. Riner reported she spoke to a tennis/pickleball court company at the MML Conference and they suggested checking with the county about drainage in that area. Mr. Hull said drainage should be fine for that area. Ms. Riner will check to make sure. Also, the cost is likely higher than we initially thought, probably between \$90 - \$140 thousand, not counting lighting and landscaping, but does include fencing.

Dogstreet Rd & Main St Intersection Safety – Ms. Riner reported the County is still trying to decide how much, if any to charge us.

Gazebo Project – Ms. Riner reported it is mostly complete. The electricity has not been installed yet, waiting on components from the supplier.

Antietam Broadband – After the last Council meeting Mr. Kuczynski approached Antietam with the concept of paying a per linear foot conduit fee. The response he received was they were not interested in doing that. Mr. Kuczynski then asked if there were no conduit fees does that make a difference. Antietam then backed off of the idea of a franchise agreement. Mr. Kuczynski said all they really want is a right of way. Mr. Kuczynski recommends not pursuing this any further unless they approach again.

Mowing Behind Stormwater Pond @ 31 Farragut – Ms. Riner hasn't had a chance to get a quote on a gate.

Sustainable Communities Questionnaire – Ms. Riner reported she is waiting on 3 more questionnaires from Council members.

DAR Donations – Council decided to table this until next month. There wasn't a quorum since Mr. Hull is recusing himself due to family connections.

Fairview Cemetery Donation – Ms. Kerns motioned to donate the same amount as last year, Mr. Hull seconded and all voted in favor.

Crop Walk Donation – Ms. Kerns motioned to donate \$100.00, Mr. Hull seconded and all voted in favor.

Staff Compensation – Mr. Hull motioned to pass the revised employee compensation as discussed in their closed session, Ms. Kerns seconded, and all voted in favor.

New Business

Sustainable Maryland Application – Ms. Pangle reported she submitted the application on Friday, June 30, 2023. The Green Team needs 150 points for Bronze certification and she submitted 245 points.

FY 2024 Budget Amendment – Ms. Riner will get with Mr. Kuczynski to revise the budget with the staff compensation increases. Mr. Kuczynski said it can be introduced and voted on when the document is ready.

Scissor Lift – Ms. Riner said Mayor Lord talked with someone at the MML Conference. Mr. Hull said Mayor Lord contacted him about the scissor lift as well. Mayor Lord can update the Council at the next meeting.

Weed Treatment at Stormwater Ponds – Ms. Riner reported it is \$250 per treatment. It will be needed about 4 times a year depending on how things grow. Mr. Hull motioned to accept the County spraying the stormwater ponds, Ms. Kerns seconded and all voted in favor.

Council Comments

Ms. Riner mentioned the July MML dinner in Williamsport.

Ms. Kerns asked if we have an emergency management plan. Mr. Hull said because we have no public services we run under the County. Mr. Hull said it should be found in the Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Kerns asked to put it in a more prominent, easy-to-find place on the website.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Teresa Pangle
Administrative Assistant

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Mayor & Council and Water Commission Meeting July 5, 2023

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
<i>Rev. Delaney Catlett</i>		<i>717 977 4232</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>CROP WALK</i>
<i>Lyned Clipp</i>			<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Sue Gemery</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Mayor & Council Agenda July 5, 2023

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: June 7, 2023 Meeting

General Fund Report: \$402,363.99

Announcements: Washington County Mobile Health Fair on Friday, July 7th in Taylor Park

Community Deputy Report: Tracey Peyton – Introduction of New Officer

Resident Comments: Joseph Clipp – Crop Walk

Old Business: Redundant Street Lights; Verizon Cell Tower; Tennis/Pickleball Court; Dogstreet Rd & Main St Intersection Safety; Gazebo Project; Antietam Broadband; Mowing behind stormwater pond near 31 Farragut Dr; Sustainable Communities Questionnaire; DAR Donation; Fairview Cemetery Donation; Staff Compensation

New Business: Sustainable Maryland Application; FY 2024 Budget Amendment; Scissor Lift; Weed Treatment at Stormwater Ponds

Resident Comments Related to Agenda Items

Council Comments

Adjournment