

# TOWN OF KEEDYSVILLE, MARYLAND

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*Ken Lord, Mayor*  
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*Judy Kerns, Council*  
*Matthew Hull, Council*  
*Sarah Baker, Council*

*Approved*

## **Mayor and Council Minutes December 4, 2024**

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 Judy Kerns, Matt Hull, Sarah Baker, Town Attorney Ed Kuczynski, Deputy Dakota Watkins, Town Administrator Lisa Riner, and Administrative Assistant Teresa Pangle.

Minutes from the November 6, 2024 meeting were approved.

The General Fund Report was \$499,729.60

Announcements were read.

### Community Deputy Report

Deputy Watkins reported the following checks, 7 in Cannon Ridge, 4 in Rockingham, 3 in Stonecrest, 7 at the park, 1 at the filtration plant, and 1 at the Cemetery.

### Old Business

Purchase of Mt. Vernon Reformed Church (64 S Main St) building and property – Mr. Kuczynski has done the title work. A payoff amount will be needed before closing. The goal is to have it done in December, possibly January.

### New Business

Speed Bumps on Mt. Vernon Dr – Resident Tom Clemens is concerned about the speed due to the number of people who walk their kids and dogs, especially mornings and afternoons during drop-off and pickups at the Community Center. Mr. Clemens has talked with neighbors and they approve of speed bumps on Mt. Vernon Dr. There was much conversation about the type of speed bumps and ownership of the road between the Town and the Community Center. The Council agreed for Ms. Riner to try and confirm ownership of the road and contact the Community Center about the speed bumps.

Street Sweeping – Ms. Riner said the switch to Williamsport for street sweeping has been much less reliable. A schedule was discussed in spring. They showed up the first time, not the second time, and canceled the day of, for the third time. Ms. Riner said it's fine if we're not concerned about consistency and they are much cheaper. It's more of an inconvenience to residents who move their vehicles and blow their leaves onto the road for the street sweeper. Ms. Riner said no one has complained. The Council agreed for Ms. Riner to reach out to Williamsport to confirm they still want to do this.

### Resident Comments

Ms. Gemeny – There is a drain that comes from Dogstreet Rd and under Mt. Vernon Drive that looks to be filled with dirt. It could be the County's responsibility, but Ms. Riner will check into it. Ms. Gemeny said the gazebo lights look very nice.

Council Comments

Mr. Sweeney said the opening for Dogstreet Rd should be the week of December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Lord said there was a leak at the north end of Town that appears to be a county issue. It was a sewer issue and was fixed today.

Ms. Riner said the gazebo lights can not be turned off during the day unless we get a timer. The Council agreed a timer wasn't necessary.

Ms. Riner said the snowflake decorations are up but they also have to stay on all day. Per Diamond Electric there is no way to time them with the street lights as previously thought. Three snowflakes are not working. It is believed to be the outlets, not the snowflakes. Diamond Electric will check the outlets. We are one snowflake short. Ms. Riner will order one in January when they go on sale.

Ms. Riner pointed out the January meeting falls on New Year's Day. The Council agreed to move the meeting to January 8<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Riner, Ms. Kerns and Ms. Baker met with the County about the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They supplied about 1500 challenge coins they want us to pass out in 2026. It can be part of events or just pass out when and wherever we want. Ms. Baker and Ms. Kerns said maybe the Mt Vernon Church could be a focal point. The County has event ideas and is willing to help in any way it can. Ms. Baker liked their idea of a history trivia night. Ms. Kerns said the Keedy family out west saw the notice about the 250<sup>th</sup> on FaceBook and offered to help in any way they could. Mr. Hull suggested sending that family the 250<sup>th</sup> coins.

Ms. Kerns mentioned the condition of the flag at the memorial on Main St. Ms. Riner said she has ordered flags to replace all the Town's flags.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Teresa Pangle  
Administrative Assistant



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## Mayor & Council Agenda December 4, 2024

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: November 6, 2024

General Fund Report: \$499,729.60

Announcements: For Christmas, Town Hall will be closing at 1pm on Monday, and will be closed Tuesday-Friday, December 24-27; For New Year's, Town Hall will be closing at 1pm on Monday, December 30 and will be closed Tuesday-Wednesday, December 31-January 1

Community Deputy Report

Old Business: Purchase of Mt. Vernon Reformed Church (64 S Mains St) building and property

New Business: Speed Bumps on Mt. Vernon Dr; Street Sweeping

Resident Comments

Council Comments

Adjournment



**Fwd: Antietam Drive, vel non.**

1 message

Lisa Riner &lt;lriner@keedysvillemd.com&gt;

Wed, Nov 20, 2024 at 12:36 PM

To: Ken Lord <mayorkenlord@gmail.com>, Matt Hull <hullscraneservice@hotmail.com>, Sarah Baker <sbaker@keedysvillemd.com>, Judy Kerns <jkerns@keedysvillemd.com>, Brandon Sweeney <bsweeney@keedysvillemd.com>, Teresa Pangle <tpangle@keedysvillemd.com>, Ed Kuczynski <ed.kuczlaw@gmail.com>

Please see Justin's email below.

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----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Justin Holder** <jholder2004@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Nov 20, 2024 at 12:32 PM

Subject: Antietam Drive, vel non.

To: Town Hall &lt;townhall@keedysvillemd.com&gt;

Cc: <jpuffenbarger.keedysville.md@gmail.com>, <jrussell36@hotmail.com>, Tom Clemens <antietam@verizon.net>, <bikejairo@hotmail.com>, <hullscraneservice@hotmail.com>, <sarbennett@hotmail.com>, Lriner <lriner@keedysvillemd.com>, Ken Lord <mayorkenlord@gmail.com>, Sarah Baker <sbaker@keedysvillemd.com>, Brandon Sweeney <bsweeney@keedysvillemd.com>, Judy Kerns <jkerns@keedysvillemd.com>

Dear Town,

I am writing to redress my grievances. I am incorporating the Town of Keedysville Mayor and Council minutes dated Sept. 4, 2024 and Oct. 2, 2024 herein by reference.

I want the Town to declare by a vote and an ordinance that Antietam Drive is a public road in the inventory of the Town of Keedysville, and accurately depicted at pp. 11-12 therein the October 2, 2024 Mayor and Council minutes.



I want the Planning and Zoning commission to vote, and pass an ordinance retracting the statements in the minutes that my properties at 25, 28 and 30 Antietam Dr have limited access to a public road, or that the access to my properties is in any way defective or deficient.

Please add this comment to the minutes of the December, 2024 meetings of the Mayor and Council and Planning and zoning.

Respectfully,