

KEENESBURG



Newsletter

February 2018

February Meeting Schedule

Monday, February 5, 2018 Board of Trustees Meeting, 6 pm at Town Hall

Thursday, February 1, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting this meeting is CANCELED, and rescheduled for Monday, February 12, 2018, 6:00 pm at Town Hall

Monday, February 12, 2018 Finance Meeting, 3:30 pm at Town Hall

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 Board of Trustees Meeting & Public Hearing, 6:00 pm at Town Hall

Town Hall will be Closed Monday, February 19, 2018, in observance of Presidents Day

Municipal Elections

The Town of Keenesburg will hold Municipal Elections Tuesday, April 3, 2018. We have received petitions from the following; names were drawn randomly and will be placed on the ballot in this order: Trustee; Carl Fredrickson, Robert Zebroski, Mark D. Gray, Juanda Y. Hesse, Tim Smith, Wilbur H. Wafel, John G. Howell; Mayor; Bruce J. Sparrow, Kenneth L. Gfeller.

Burn Permit

Please be aware of the burn requirement within town limits. All burning, agricultural or otherwise, must be approved by the Southeast Weld Fire Protection District prior to ignition.

Town of Keenesburg:

- ✓ Must obtain burn permit (no charge) from Southeast Weld Fire Protection District per IFC 105.6.30, an operational permit is required for the kindling or maintaining of an open fire or fire on any public street, alley, road, or other public or private ground. Instructions and stipulations of the permit shall be adhered to.
- ✓ Permits are issued March 1st - November 1st
- ✓ Time of burn DAWN TO DUSK ONLY!
- ✓ Call for an appointment to obtain a permit:
303-732-4203 Monday-Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm.
- ✓ Call before igniting burn and when burn ends: 303-502-0095

NO BURNING ON HIGH WIND OR RED FLAG DAYS. Call 911 if burn gets out of control. A FINE MAY BE IMPOSED FOR NONCOMPLIANCE.

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Visit us on the web:
townofkeenesburg.com

Lochbuie Police Dept.
non-emergency
dispatch: 303-652-4222

Weld County Text-to-911

Weld County Public Safety Communication is now proud to support Text-to-911 services. Text-to-911 offers an alternative way of contacting 911 in an emergency, but please note it is intended to be used only when calling isn't the safest form of communication or is not an option. **Remember: Call if You Can, Text if You Can't.** Please be aware: Your location cannot be tracked; Receipt of the message can be delayed by your provider or received out of order possibly delaying the ability to get help to you; Text messages can bounce back if your phone carrier hasn't enabled the ability to Text-to-911 for their customers. Currently the following carriers support Text-to-911 in Weld: AT&T, T-Mobile, Sprint, and Verizon. Learn more at www.weldgov.com. Brochures also available at Town Hall.

RV's

We have received concerns of people living in RV's on private property. Please be aware that dwelling, either temporary or permanent, is not allowed within town limits. KMC reads as follows:

Sec. 8-2-70. Recreational vehicles.

(1) No recreational vehicle ("RV") shall be parked on any street for a period of longer than seventy-two (72) hours. No person shall use any RV for temporary or permanent living, sleeping, housekeeping or preparation of food while parked or stopped on any public right-of-way within the Town in any zone for which the principal use is residential.

(2) One (1) RV may be parked on private property for which the principal use is either single family or two-family residential if such RV is registered to or owned by the owner or occupant of such private property and is located at least three (3) feet back of the sidewalk, or the front property line where no sidewalk exists.

Porch Lights

The Lochbuie Police Department recommends leaving porch lights on in the evening to increase safety and deter crimes of opportunity.

Board Update

The Board of Trustees meets every month on the first and third Monday at 6:00 p.m. These meetings are open to the public and we invite you to attend to have a voice in your government. We welcome attendance, and offer an opportunity for public comment about any topic that is not on the agenda. Our attendance at these meetings has been minimal for many years and we want and encourage anyone to attend, whether it is to be more informed about what is going on in your government or if it is to make suggestions, we welcome you!

Town Manager's Report

The board of trustees met on Tuesday, January 16, 2018. The town exceeded its contracted hours for law enforcement for 2017 by over 150 hours, and as such is responsible for the payment of those additional hours in the amount of \$9,292.50. Although this causes the town to be over budget for this particular line item, we were able to absorb this overage in the general fund and will not need to amend the 2017 budget. The board was very aware that this would occur at year-end based on the number of calls that we experienced during 2017. Steps have been taken to reduce the likelihood of this situation repeating in 2018.

The board held a public hearing to consider zoning for the RK annexation; which is approximately 15 acres, located about a half mile east of the Wild Country RV park on the north side. The requested zoning for this property was heavy industrial; this zoning was approved.

Cont'd Managers Report

Mayor Gfeller made appointments to the various committees as follows:

Water/wastewater—Wilbur Wafel, Mark Gray, Tim Smith

Park—Wilbur Wafel, Juanda Hesse, John Howell

Streets—Wilbur Wafel, Sandra Beach, Ken Gfeller

Finance— Ken Gfeller, Sandra Beach, John Howell, Tim Smith, Juanda Hesse

The Town Board approved an annexation agreement with Tim and Dawn Erger for their property located at 8490 CR 57, Keenesburg, CO 80643.

A renewal agreement for law enforcement services through Lochbuie Police Department was approved setting the hourly rate for 2018 at \$65.67 per hour for a total of 1352 hours.

The board reviewed and discussed mayoral duties and pay. The consensus of the board was to set the pay for mayor at \$500/month, and trustee pay at \$75/meeting to a maximum of \$150/month. The duties were modified and this item will come back to the board for more discussion and approval at the February 20, 2018 meeting.

The board reviewed a plan to install 5 new street lights and directed staff to move forward with this plan. The lighting will be upgraded to LED for two lights located on Woodward near Johnson Street. Three additional lights will be installed; two on Woodward & CR 59 and one at CR 59 & Kipp.

The board tabled the financial policies and will be reviewed in parts during the next several board meetings.

Tonya Pitcher has volunteered to create a clean-up assistance group. The intention of this group is to help residents that need assistance cleaning up their yards and areas around their homes. Please contact Tonya at 303-916-8787 or by email Ttsjk5@aol.com if interested in offering a helping hand to neighbors in our community.

Public Works Report

There have been numerous dogs running loose in town. Please be sure to have your dogs on a leash and **current** registered tags. Having tags on your dog(s) allows the Town to locate an owner quickly and get your loved one home. The Keenesburg Municipal Code 7-6-20 requires all dogs within town limits to be licensed. If you have any questions regarding dogs, please visit the Town's website and review Sec. 7-6-20 thru 7-6-140.

With winter upon us, we will continue to work hard to keep the roadways clear and safe. We start with plowing the main roads and then work to clear secondary roadways. First, we clear the center of the street, and then return to clean up the edges once the entire town has an open center lane. We will try our best to help people get out of their driveways after all the roadways have been cleared. It may take some time before we can assist with driveways – *we appreciate your patience!* If there is notice of a storm coming, please try to park cars off the right of way, this allows Public Works to clear the roads and access driveways.

Cont'd Public Works Report

Keenesburg Municipal Code Sec. 11-1-10. Removal of snow or ice.

It shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant of any lot, block or parcel of ground within the Town, or any agent in charge of such property, to allow any snow or ice to accumulate or remain upon any sidewalk alongside such property longer than twenty-four (24) hours from the time of the last accretion of such snow and ice.

Please be sure to clear sidewalks within 24 hours. This helps with safe travel to and from school.

Water Filter Program

Public Works presented to the Board of Trustees on January 16, 2018, the water filter options for Keenesburg residents. The Town will be assisting residents with the purchase of the T33 Inline Coconut Membrane Filter. Residents will be responsible for \$4.00 of the purchase. Please contact Christina at Town Hall if you would like to order this filter. Residents will be responsible for their own installation.

Water Filter Options

There are several types of water filters and applications. This can be from an inline filter for a refrigerator to a home system. All water filters are designed to take mineral deposits out of the water. They range from large to small particles based on quality of filter. Filters have a range of life based on gallons of water through them. Cost also vary based on effectiveness. There is not a reverse osmosis option. Cost of a reverse osmosis is extremely high. Reverse osmosis is process that removes all deposits and minerals from the water. This can leave the water tasteless and less desirable. Based on the survey and test results from the meeting, it was determined that a filter process that improves taste would be best.

The town installed an in-line water filter at town hall to test the difference between filtered and unfiltered water. This is a small filter unit that is installed on the quarter inch water line that runs to the refrigerator. The filter does help with water taste as well as mineral deposits in the ice maker. This however does not take out the minerals that are in the water. Below are only a few options to consider.

<u>Filter</u>	<u>Flow Rate</u>	<u>Dimensions</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Life Expediency</u>
T33 Inline Coconut Grade Activated Carbon Pre/Post Membrane Filter for Taste and Odor Reduction	0.75 GPM	10"x2" - 1/4" pipe thread	\$6.99	20,000 - 30,000 gallons
Woder 10K-GenII Ultra High Capacity Direct Connect Water Filtration System - Under Sink Filter Premium Class I - Removes Chlorine, Lead, Chromium 6, Heavy Metals, Bad Tastes, Odors And Contaminants	5 GPM	3x3x15 - 3/8" pipe thread	\$99.95 Filter cost \$49.00	10,000 gallons
GE GXWH40L High Flow Whole Home Filtration System - DOES NOT COME WITH FILTER. Several filter options available	10 GPM	16.4x8.4x7.9 - 3/4" pipe thread	59.69 Filter cost \$20-\$40	24,000-30,000 gallons