

KEENESBURG



Newsletter

JULY 2018

July Meeting Schedule

Monday, July 2, 2018 Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:00 pm, Town Hall

Thursday, July 5, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting & Public Hearing
6:00 pm, Town Hall

Monday, July 9, 2018 Finance Meeting, 3:30 pm at Town Hall

Monday, July 16, 2018 Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:00 pm, Town Hall

Town Hall will be Closed, Wednesday, July 4th for Independence Day

SE Weld Fire District conducts siren testing on the 1st Monday of each month at 12 PM

Vector Disease Control monitors the mosquito traps around town to determine the fogging needs. If you have a request for the fogging route, please contact VDC at (877) 276-4306.

Sewer Rate Increase

The Board approved Resolution 2018-14 Establishing Water/Sewer Rates and Tap Fees on Monday, April 2, 2018. The billings for the period beginning July 1, 2018 will reflect a 20% increase in the sewer base to \$35.41; as well as the per thousand gallons of water consumption of \$4.26. In addition, the sewer tap fees were increased 20% as well. Unfortunately the wastewater fund has been unable to support its operations, and as such this increase is necessary to assure the efficient operation of the wastewater system. There will be no increase in water rates. The Town has mailed your calculation letter based on your average water usage for the months of December, January and February. The letters were mailed to homeowners April 26th.

Peddler's License

In an effort to increase the safety of our residents, all solicitors and peddlers are required to obtain a license from the Town to sell or solicit merchandise or goods. If someone is soliciting in your area please ask to see their license, as they are issued to each individual and they are required to keep their license with them at all times. The license is signed by the Town Clerk and obtains the town's seal.

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!

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Town Manager's Report

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees are continuing the established practice of past administrations of dedication and hard work for the residents of Keenesburg. They have been meeting on a weekly basis since the beginning of May to attend trainings, hold committee meetings, as well as regular scheduled meetings. Rural Community Assistance Corporation has and will continue to hold training sessions for the Mayor and Board on the safe water drinking act, and CIRSA will hold an elected officials training in July. The Board also held a goal setting session and has established the following as goals to focus on for the next two years:

1. Sewer treatment plant upgrade;
2. Phasing plan for street improvements, identify new water sources, expansion of or new Town Hall, increase resident involvement;
3. Economic development, improvement of entrance to town, law enforcement alternatives;
4. Research recreation opportunities, i.e. Recreation District, Recreation building and or area, Trails, and Library

The surveys are out. Once the results are available, they will be published on our website, presented and discussed at a regular scheduled board meeting. A survey committee was established last year that will continue to focus on the survey results and work with the Board on identified areas of importance to the residents. Please plan to attend as your elected officials welcome your comments and thank you in advance for your participation.

The Town is working on the following projects:

Water tank interior maintenance and repair: This project went out for bid on April 19, the bid was awarded on May 23, 2018 to M & M Tank Coating Company, Inc. This project is scheduled to be completed no later than September 30, 2018.

Sewer repair and rehabilitation: This project was published requesting bids on May 17, 2018; the bid opening took place on June 22, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. We received two bids and the recommendation for award will be presented to the Board of Trustees on Monday, July 2, 2018. There are several steps that have to be accomplished prior to the award of the bid in conformance with USDA standards. I will keep you updated on the progress of this project in future newsletters.

Water/Wastewater Master Plan: The Town issued a request for proposals on May 29, 2018, and are due on June 29, 2018. We will then conduct interviews and have a recommendation for the award of this project to the Board on July 16.

The study for the expansion or relocation of town hall is moving along. The technical assistance group will have a booth set up at the July 3 celebration. The group will be available to receive resident input for potential uses of space for the possible purchase of the old elementary school building location on Broadway, as well as the potential purchase of the school administration building to relocate town hall. The board will use the information gathered by this group to assist in decision making process.

We have received the following development applications:

- Cureton Midstream Compressor Station
- Diamond K Subdivision Preliminary and Final Plat—this application is now complete, please watch our website for public hearing dates.

We have been experiencing a lot of vandalism to the sprinkler system at Schey Park. Unfortunately, we have had to replace 26 sprinkler heads so far this year! Please assist us in keeping our park in good condition and report any suspicious activity to the Lochbuie Police Department. Thank you!

Farewell Reception for Marc Johns

I am saddened to report that Marc Johns will be leaving his employment with the Town. Marc has been a valued asset to the Town for many years. His dedication to his work and the residents will be tremendously missed. Please join us in wishing him much success and happiness in his new career. We will be holding an open house in appreciation of Marc on Wednesday, July 11 from 4:30-6.30 p.m. at Town Hall. Please join us for good food and conversation. Thank you!