

Keenesburg

March Newsletter



2022

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Meetings are being held at 140 S Main Street, virtually & by telephone. The virtual and call-in information is available on the Town's Website.

Thursday, March 3, Planning Commission 6:00 PM, Public Hearing

Monday, March 7, Board of Trustees, 6:00 PM

Monday, March 14, Finance Meeting, 3:00 PM

Monday, March 21, Board of Trustees, 6:00 PM, Public Hearing

Monday, April 4, Board of Trustees, 6:00 PM

Thursday, April 7, Planning Commission, 6:00 PM

Monday, April 11, Finance Meeting, 3:00 PM

Keenesburg Library - 140 S Main Street. Ph: 303-349-2982

Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM.

The library is preparing for a great spring! We will be offering new classes for our MakerSpace, and fun new programs will be coming your way! Make sure you check out our calendar under the events tab on our website www.thehudsonpubliclibrary.org and on our Facebook page for dates and times. We are also working on our Summer Reading Program called "Oceans of Possibilities". If you have a business and would like to sponsor our reading program, please visit us in the library. Your business will be on our summer reading T-shirts which we will hand out at registration. Stop by the library for the newest books, DVDs, and programs as we transition from the cold days of winter into the warm days of Spring.

Community Outreach

March 21, 2022, 5:00 PM, prior to the Board of Trustees Meeting

FHU, who is updating the Master Transportation Plan, has been analyzing data to understand the existing and future conditions of transportation and mobility in Keenesburg. The project team has been considering existing land uses and planned developments, traffic operations, safety, access, mobility, and connectivity of all transportation modes such as walking, biking, and driving. In addition, this will be the kickoff for the Comprehensive Plan being updated by Rick Engineering. Community input throughout the process is important and the Town would like to hear from you! Share your thoughts on your vision for Keenesburg in the future, and to provide input on various key issues for the future of Keenesburg! Everyone in the Keenesburg area is welcome and encouraged to attend.

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townofkeenesburg.com

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720-652-4222

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Water/Sewer Rates Increase

The new rate increase went into effect January 1, 2022.

Residential & Commercial Water Base Fee	Residential and Commercial Water User Rates	Sewer Usage Rates
<p><u>Water Monthly Base Fee:</u></p> <p>¾" tap \$37.00 1" tap \$48.00 1 ½" tap \$78.00 2" tap \$105.00 3" tap \$172.00</p> <p>All tap sizes in excess of 3" base rate to be determined by the Board of Trustees.</p>	<p><u>0 to 6,000 gallons</u> - \$3.75 per each thousand gallons or portion thereof</p> <p><u>6,001 to 20,000 gallons</u> - \$4.00 additional per thousand gallons or portion thereof</p> <p><u>20,001 to 40,000 gallons</u> - \$5.00 additional per thousand gallons or portion thereof</p> <p><u>40,001 gallons or more</u> - \$7.75 - additional per thousand gallons or portion thereof</p>	<p>In Town Use: <u>Base Fee</u> \$47.80</p> <p>Per thousand gal. of water consumption \$ 5.96</p> <p>Outside Town Use Sewer Rates are doubled</p>

Event Schedule

- **Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, April 16 - 11:00 AM, Schey Park**
- Rabies Clinic: Saturday, April 23 - Town Shop, 400 Lambert Street
- Town-Wide Spring Garage Sale: April 29,-30 & May 1
- Tree City USA: Saturday, May 7 - Community Celebration, Schey Park
- Town Clean Up: May 13 & 14 - Town Shop, 400 Lambert Street.
- Shred - It: June 2 - Town Hall, 91 W Broadway Avenue
- Concert in the Park: Saturday, June 11, Schey Park
- Movie in the Park: Saturday, July 16, Schey Park - *Please vote for your movie choice on the Town's Website: TownofKeenesburg.com located on the home page under Calendar & News*
- SEWC Jr. Fair Parade & Rodeo: Saturday, August 13, Parade– South Main St. SEWC Fairgrounds
- Town-Wide Garage Sale: - September 16-18
- Town Clean Up: October 7 & 8 - Town Shop, 400 Lambert Street
- Christmas in Keenesburg: Saturday, December 3 - South Main Street

Source Water Protection Plan

The Town & the Colorado Rural Water Association are working together to develop a Source Water Protection Plan. Source water protection is a proactive approach to preventing the pollution of groundwater, lakes, rivers, and streams that serve as sources of drinking water. Town residents and business owners are encouraged to attend. Zoom link will be located on our Town website, under Calendar & News.

When: Wednesday, April 6, 2022, & May 4, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Where: Town Hall, 91 W Broadway Avenue & Zoom

Manager's Report

The Community Center Phase I Construction, which includes the installation of new doors at the rear, installation of six windows in front, re-pointing damaged mortar, repairing the support structure, and the installation of a new roof is well underway. The expected completion date of this phase is March 31, 2022. This project was funded with a \$100,000 energy impact grant through the Department of Local Affairs, and \$230,000 from the Capital Improvement fund; the source of revenue for this fund is sales tax.

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Vista West Final Plat amendment approved on February 22, 2022. This amendment was made to realign residential lots along the southern border of the property to allow for a detention pond within the subject property. Vista West is comprised of approximately 31 acres, located west of Cedar Street between Owen and Nelson, and contains 120 single-family lots.

Summerfield North has completed public hearings for Preliminary Plan and is located West of CR 59 and South of TBK Bank, consisting of 51.669 acres containing 194 single-family lots, with trail connections through the Ash Hollow Subdivision. The proposed Metropolitan District for this subdivision was approved on Tuesday, February 22, 2022.

Summerfield South has completed public hearings for the Sketch Plan. This subdivision is located west of CR 59 and south of the bridge on CR 59, consists of 122.9 acres, which includes town-owned property of 23.45 acres for a total area of 146.35 acres, and is planned for 505 single-family lots. The Town is currently under negotiations regarding the town-owned parcel within this proposed development.

The Cemetery Master Plan has been completed and has been reviewed by the Cemetery Committee as well as the Board of Trustees. The final version is now available on our website under the Planning Department. The committee is now working on the rules and regulations for the cemetery and expect to have this reviewed by the Board of Trustees in the very near future.

The Master Transportation Plan is in the final stages of completion, however will be delayed for several months to allow the Comprehensive Plan to inform the future plans for Keenesburg’s growth and development areas. It is important that these two plans work together to assure that transportation needs align with planned development. The Comprehensive Plan Update as well as the Transportation Master Plan will be gathering public input at a meeting scheduled for Monday, March 21, just prior to the regular board meeting at 5:00 p.m. In addition, both teams will be present at the Easter Egg Hunt, as well as the Tree City USA Celebration. Please plan to be involved and provide your input regarding these two very important plans.

The Board of Trustees held a Work Session on Monday, February 28, 2022. The information provided regarding the funds of the town and the uses of those funds as well as a break down of expenses for the water and wastewater fund is contained in a power point presentation that has been posted on our website on the homepage.

Police Department Report

Many of us remember watching Samantha and Darren on Bewitched. One of the supporting characters was Mrs. Kravitz, the nosy neighbor who seemed to forever be peering through the blinds at the neighborhood goings-on. While Mrs. Kravitz was a nuisance to Samantha and her adventures, imagine the security she or a neighbor like her represents for a neighborhood. Nothing went unnoticed on her block! We could all use a Mrs. Kravitz these days.

You’re all familiar with the slogan by now: “If you see something, say something.” Even once we begin patrolling Keenesburg locally, police can’t be everywhere. We need you to be our eyes and ears. Like Mrs. Kravitz, you know your neighborhood and what’s normal — more importantly what’s unusual. Report suspicious activity as a prophylactic effort to thwart crimes. Not to get too academic, but abundant research suggests that policing is most effective when police form working partnerships with communities and share responsibility for safer communities.

And in the unfortunate event you fall victim to crime, please report it. Once again avoiding the academia around it, research reveals that many crimes in America are unreported. Lochbuie now, and soon your own Keenesburg Police Department, need to know where crimes occur even if they seem unsolvable or “too trivial” to report to police. Your Keenesburg Police Department will be data driven.

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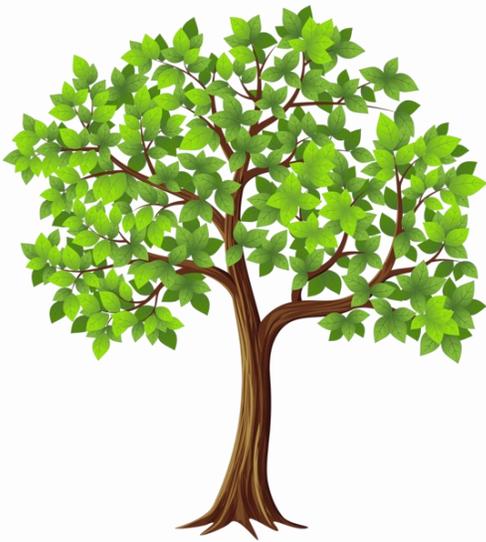
That means that while we will conduct random patrols to keep every neighborhood safe, we will concentrate policing efforts on specific crime spots based on criminal activity. Obviously, then, we need to know where that activity is occurring.

As we ramp up Town efforts to deploy community policing for Keenesburg, I hope I can enlist the cooperation of every resident in town. A basic principle of community safety is that preventing crime is more effective than responding to crime. Our crime prevention platform rests on dual concepts:

Eliminate or minimize criminal opportunities whenever possible, and
Encouraging residents and visitors to be responsible for their own security and the security of others.

We look forward to working together in your neighborhood and partnering with each household to foster relationships and a climate where crime and disorder are not tolerated nor welcome. Our partnership will send the message to potential criminals that Keenesburg is united against them, and they will be best served to look somewhere else to do their bad acts.

Start each day with a positive thought and a grateful heart.” Roy T. Bennett



TREE CITY USA

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

JOIN US ON

SATURDAY, MAY 7th, 2022

at Schey Park

2pm - 7pm

**FUN ACTIVITIES, EXHIBITS, CRAFTS, EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION,
VENDOR BOOTHS, FFA FLOWER SALE, LIVE MUSIC, FREE TREE SEED-
LING, FOOD VENDORS, AND MORE!**

Something for the whole family and it's FREE!

For more information on becoming a vendor please visit:
www.TownofKeenesburg.com or email tokh@rtebb.net

Departments—Tree City USA

