

TOWN OF BATH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: @ 5:30pm by Mayor

ROLLCALL:

Scott Merki (X) Susan Webster (X) Chris Chapman (X) Rose Jackson (X)

Elizabeth Skinner (A) Andy Swaim (X) Rick Weber (A)

QUORUM PRESENT: YES

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Meeting of September 18, 2018: Common Consent

PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL: Kate Lehman, President of the Warm Springs Watershed Association, and Jim Michael, President of the Eastern Panhandle Conservation District (EPCD), explained the work of EPCD and requested sponsorship for assistance of future studies.

MOTION: To support a NCRS study to determine the efficacy of various storm water management proposals – Webster/Swaim – motion carried.

Pedestrian access on Town sidewalks was addressed by Barb Wolfe in light of the upcoming Apple Butter Festival. Official boundaries of the festival and business owner's responsibilities were discussed and referred to the Chief of Police.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR and/or INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE: The Mayor and Chief of Police reviewed the Zombie Walk and Charity Bike Ride with no problems reported.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: Nothing at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER WORKS: Chairman Chapman apprised Council that Morgan Wireless had again approached the BSWW on the use of water towers in advancing communication efforts of the company. The next committee meeting will be November 5th at 4:30pm.

PUBLIC SAFETY: No building permits at this time.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Johnson reported on preparations for the upcoming festival.

CLERK / RECORDER: No report at this time.

FINANCE: The next Committee meeting will be October 16th at 8:30 am.

(A)Town of Bath Bills: \$10,332.85

Motion to approve by: Swaim/Webster - Motion carried.

(B)BS Water Works \$29,571.73

MOTION to approve by: Swaim/Jackson– Motion carried.

(C)Greenway Cemetery \$169.98

MOTION to approve: Swaim/Jackson – Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: The Mayor reported on the work of the Labor Crew in cleaning streets for the Apple Butter Festival and requested cooperation from business owners.

ORDINANCE: Chairman Webster reported that the 1st reading of the Non-Emergency Demolition Ordinance would not be presented until further study and discussion was held.

BATH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: Cindy Bodin, President of the Bath Development Authority, presented financial and activity reports of the organization. See attached.

GRANT: No report at this time.

TREE BOARD: Councilman Swaim reported that the initial phase of the Chesapeake Bay Trust Grant is completed by removing certain trees from public right of ways. The Board will continue grant work with Greenway Cemetery and the Streetscape Committee. Next meeting – October 24th

CEMETERY: Chairwoman Skinner expressed appreciation for the successful participation of volunteers on the Day of Caring on September 11th. Projects were described. Cemetery grass cutting is winding down for the season.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No report at this time.

STREETSCAPE: The Committee met with the WV DOH on the next construction phase. The grant funds available have lowered \$20,000 to \$360,000. The Town must now pay for the project up front rather than the previous 'pay as you go' method. The construction bid date is early January. The Town administered BS State Park Project is moving forward.

PARKS & RECREATION: Nothing at this time.

TRAIN DEPOT: The interior rehabilitation project is moving forward.

RAIL/TRAIL: The voluntary remediation plan has been sent to the EPA. The EPA has instituted a 30 day extension for their due date reply. Next meeting – October 30th.

LANDMARK COMMISSION: Members expressed opinions on the Commission having input on the proposed Non-Emergency Demolition Ordinance. The Mayor is to discuss the issue with Town attorney, Richard Gay. WVU Bad Building Coordinator, Shea Strait, has met with the Commission and suggested alternatives.

Larry Lower reported that the Commission had received the resignation of Joe Heller from the Commission. Donna Hoffman wrote to Council concerning her interest in serving and was in attendance.

MOTION: To approve the appointment of Donna Hoffman to the Town of Bath Historic Landmark

Commission – Webster/Chapman – motion carried.
Lower reported that the Bad Building initiative has met with positive response.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Webster, Motion Carried

Attest:

Mayor Scott E. Marks

Recorder Severin Weisbach

BATH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEMBER LIST TERMS OF SERVICE
 UPDATED - NOVEMBER 14, 2018

NAME	MBR COUNT	EXP YR COUNT	POSITION	ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT DATE	ORIGINAL EXPIRATION DATE	AMENDED EXPIRATION DATE	PROPOSED EXPIRATION DATE
Janet Gauthier	1	1		1/7/2014	12/6/2016	12/6/2019	6/30/2019
Oscar Robles	2	2		1/7/2014	12/6/2016	12/6/2019	6/30/2019
Mark Garfinkel	3	3		3/15/2016	12/6/2017	12/6/2020	6/30/2019
Jeff Martin	4	4		8/16/2016	12/6/2018	12/6/2021	6/30/2019
Susan Webster*	5	5	TOBC **	6/17/2010	12/6/2016	12/6/2019	6/30/2019
Elizabeth Skinner*	6	6	TOBC **	7/18/2017	6/30/2019	12/6/2019	6/30/2019
Bill Clark	7	1	Vice President	6/17/2010	12/6/2016	12/6/2019	6/30/2020
Sean Forney	8	2		11/19/2013	12/6/2016	12/6/2019	6/30/2020
TJ Johnson	9	3		8/2/2016	12/6/2018	12/6/2021	6/30/2020
Martha Rhodes	11	4	Secretary	9/18/2017	9/17/2020	9/17/2020	6/30/2020
Cindy Bodin	10	1	President	7/18/2017	7/17/2020	7/17/2020	6/30/2021
Chris Bauman	12	2	Treasurer	2/6/2018	2/5/2021	2/5/2021	6/30/2021
Meghan Bauman	13	3		2/6/2018	2/5/2021	2/5/2021	6/30/2021

Other Interested Individuals

Jane Peters Ad Hoc
 Rodney Strawderman Ad Hoc
 Linda Knight Pending Appointment - Jan 19, term would expire 6/30/22

N.B. * Term is co-terminus with TOBC term
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