

TOWN OF BATH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER: @ 5:30pm by Mayor
2. ROLL CALL: Scott Merki (X) Susan Webster (X) Chris Chapman (X) Rose Jackson (X) Elizabeth Skinner (X) John Bohrer (A) Rick Weber (X) Quorum present.
3. REVIEW OF MINUTES: Meeting minutes of January 7, 2020 were approved by Common Consent.
4. PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL: The Mayor requested that the Morgan County Parks & Rec report and the Historic Landmark Commission report be moved up on the agenda for the convenience of attendees. This was approved by Common Consent.
Melissa Bartley of Morgan County Parks & Rec reported on the progress of the group in repair and maintenance of facilities, planned events and youth athletics. Town of Bath Historic Landmarks Commission President, David Abruzzi, introduced the group's recommendation for appointment to the Commission.
MOTION: To appoint Zachary Salmon to the Town of Bath Historic Landmark Commission – Webster/Jackson – Motion Carried.
5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR: The WV DEP has sent applications for participation in the WV Make It Shine annual spring cleanup program. Councilwoman Skinner will organize the program for the Greenway Cemetery. An application will also be submitted for the Town's public property cleanup. The date of April 4th with April 11th as the rain date was approved for the event by Common Consent.

COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

1. BATH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: The next meeting is February 5, 2020.
2. PARKS & REC: The next meeting is February 19th at the Courthouse.
3. PLANNING COMMISSION: No report at this time.
4. RAIL/TRAIL: The next meeting will be January 23, 2020.
5. STREETScape: The next meeting is February 20th.
6. TRAIN DEPOT: The project must be rebid due to WVDOH timing issues. The Mayor supports reestablishment of Committee meetings and communication.
7. LANDMARK COMMISSION: The next meeting is January 28, 2020.
8. CLERK/RECORDER REPORT: Clerk Corrick advised Council of the upcoming budget preparation season and of her planned attendance to the WV Auditor's Office Workshop on January 29th.
9. FINANCE: Councilman Weber presented bills as follows:
 - (A) Town of Bath \$11,964.40- Motion to approve: Weber/Jackson –Carried
 - (B) BS Water Works \$2,501.87- Motion to approve: Weber/Jackson – Carried
10. TREE BOARD: The next meeting is January 22, 2020.

11. PUBLIC SAFETY: Interviews for full time and part time Police Officer positions have been conducted. Decisions on the disposition of vehicles are on hold.
(A) Permits: No report at this time.
(B) Police Report: The Chief reminded all to observe snow removal parking laws.
12. PUBLIC WORKS: Chairman Weber reported that his committee and the Labor Crew are occupied with seasonal issues and that all is being handled well.
13. ORDINANCE: Chairman Webster presented Town of Bath Resolution 01-01-2020 supporting a MARC Train stop effort in northern Morgan County. See attached.
MOTION: To approve Town of Bath Resolution 01-01-2020 with the stipulation that the signature page shall be signed by the Mayor, Recorder and all Council members to underscore support of the project – Webster/Weber – Motion carried.
14. CEMETERY: Chairwoman Skinner reported that the Committee is interested in selling their back hoe in order to finance capital improvement projects in the cemetery.
15. GRANT: Members of the Committee are scheduled to attend a grant workshop on January 27, 2020. Matt Pennington of Region 9 Planning and Development and the leadership of Capon Institute are assisting Bath in grant possibilities and research.
16. WATER WORKS: Chairman Chapman informed Council that all projects are moving forward and that the next meeting will be February 3, 2020.
17. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Webster - carried

Attest:

Mayor

Scott E. Mubai

Recorder

Servey Webster