

TOWN OF BATH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, February 4, 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 21, 2020 were approved by Common Consent.
4. PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL: Community Co-Op Garden Group representative Melissa Schod requested that Council accept an agreement between the Town of Bath and the Community Co-Op Garden Group (See attached). The agreement pertains to the Town owned lot north of Town Hall for the 2020 gardening season. MOTION: To accept the agreement and waiver of liability as presented with the Community Co-Op Garden Group – Webster/Chapman – Motion Carried.
5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR: A letter from Thom Rubel, Executive Director of the Morgan Arts Council, requesting that a handicap parking space be designated alongside the Ice House was presented. The Mayor referred the request to the Public Safety Committee for recommendation. The Mayor informed Council that the historic informational sign in the Town square will have to be moved to accommodate the new Viet Nam veteran's monument.

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 February 26, 2020. Rebecca MacLeod reported that the fill material donated to the project by US Silica has been determined to be acceptable for use on the site. Potential contractors for the work on the project will be shown the job and specifications for bidding purposes soon.
5. STREETScape: The next meeting is February 20th. Bidding is being planned for Phase IV Streetscape Project in the spring. Public Works Chairman Weber reported that the western section of Congress Street will be repaved in conjunction with this project.
6. TRAIN DEPOT: The Mayor requested that the Recorder contact Depot Committee Chairman McCracken to reestablish meetings and communication.
7. LANDMARK COMMISSION: The next meeting is February 25, 2020.
8. CLERK/RECORDER REPORT: Clerk Corrick informed Council that the Hotel/Motel tax fund grant applications were available and due by February 29, 2020. The Town holiday schedule was presented and accepted by Common Consent.
9. FINANCE: Chairman Bohrer presented bills as follows:
 - (A) Town of Bath \$9,602.15- Motion to approve: Bohrer/Weber –Carried

- (B) BS Water Works \$25,828.64- Motion to approve: Bohrer/Weber – Carried
(C) NBRT \$2,350.40- Motion to approve: Bohrer/Weber – Carried
10. TREE BOARD: The next meeting is February 19, 2020. It was determined that the pine tree in the Town square is in good condition and replacement is not currently needed.
11. PUBLIC SAFETY: The next meeting is February 18, 2020.
(A) Permits: A building permit application was presented for 33 Fairfax Street by Iridescent, LLC.
MOTION: To accept the building permit for 33 Fairfax Street as presented by Iridescent, LLC – Webster/Bohrer – carried.
MOTION: To forego a second reading of the building permit application submitted by Iridescent, LLC – Weber/Chapman – carried.
A second building permit application was presented for 25 Union Street by Jaykumar Patel for interior remodeling.
MOTION: To accept the building permit application as presented through a single reading – Chapman/Jackson – carried.
- (B) Police Report: The Chief reported that the Police Clerk is recuperating and the office is operating as well as possible in her absence.
12. PUBLIC WORKS: Chairman Weber reported that interviews have been conducted for a driver/laborer. The Dodge 2500 truck and street sweeper brush must be replaced.
13. ORDINANCE: Chairman Webster presented Resolution 2020-01-01 concerning acquiring a Marc train stop in Hancock, WV for the signatures of the Mayor and Council. She will compose a cover letter to be sent with the document. Councilman Chapman suggested a ridership petition. Webster reported on the committee work on the election law and code book.
14. CEMETERY: No report at this time.
15. GRANT: The Committee attended the Grant Workshop presented by Congressman Mooney in Martinsburg. Informational folders were given to all Council for review.
16. WATER WORKS: Chairman Chapman reported that the new server has been paid for and that installation and training are the next needed steps. The Phase IV Water Line Replacement project is progressing. Several Right of Way agreements with property owners are required before the project can begin.
17. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Webster - carried

Attest:

Mayor Scott E. Meek

Recorder Sharon Webster