## TOWN OF BATH FINANCE COMMITTEE

## **Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, December 21, 2021

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: By Chairman at 3:30pm.
- 2. ROLLCALL: Susan Webster (X) Beth Skinner (X) Greg Forney (A) Quorum Yes Also present: Councilmen Chris Chapman and Rick Weber
- 3. Finance Committee Minutes of December 20, 2021 were approved with noted minor amendments by Common Consent.
- 4. Town of Bath and BSWW bills were reviewed with the assistance of Clerk Corrick and accepted to move forward to Council for approval.
- 5. The Clerk's report and budget comparison (see attached) were reviewed with concurrence to move forward to Council for approval. Clerk Corrick and Councilwoman Skinner explained that a bill had been received by New Horizons Towing for moving the vehicles so that Tree Works would be able remove hazardous trees from the Old English Cemetery. The bill for this work was not presented to the Finance Committee under advisement of Councilman Forney due to New Horizons Towing not producing the Hold Harmless Agreement and their Proof of Insurance as agreed upon.
- 6. Chairwoman Webster reported that the Haz Mat portion of the Depot project was in the work schedule finalization stage. The contractor, Safeco Services, and inspector, Boggs Environmental, are working out those details.
- 7. Town financial concerns of Council brought forward included:
- a. Cemetery Chairwoman Skinner contacted community volunteers Pete Brown and Tom Miller to request their expertise and assistance in producing estimates for the work required to repair the Greenway mausoleum. They have agreed to do this. This estimate is needed for Town Attorney Richard Gay to approach the Morgan County Circuit Court with a formal request to use Perpetual Care funds for the repair.
- b. Ad Hoc ARPA Committee Chairman Chris Chapman presented the work of that committee in providing Council with guidance in the use of the first round of ARPA funds in the amount of \$131,000.00. An Employee Premium Pay Plan of approximately \$48,000.00 was distributed (see attached), explained and was consented to move forward to Council. It was agreed that the Streetscape Project is to receive \$61,000.00 to satisfy the next phase's match requirement. The covid 19 loss to Bath in the amount of approximately \$78,000.00 will be paid to the Town's general fund from the remainder of this allotment and proceeds from the second allotment. The second allotment of approximately \$119,000.00 will be applied for and used for eligible items.
- c. Councilman Chris Chapman reported that the Public Safety Committee is considering establishing new written policies for the police department around light work duties for officers while recuperating from injuries.
- 8. The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 3:30pm.
- 9. Adjourn

Attest:

Chairman Sury Washe 1-21-2022