

**TOWN OF BATH FINANCE/GRANT  
COMMITTEE**

**Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER: By Chairman at 4:00pm.
2. ROLL CALL: Susan Webster (X) Beth Skinner (X) Greg Forney (A) Quorum – Yes  
Also in attendance -Trey Johannson and Councilman Weber
3. Finance Committee Minutes of August 15, 2022 were approved by Common Consent.
4. Grant Review Reports: Reviews of the previous meetings reports were discussed with no changes.
  - a. Streetscape- Members were directed to the Streetscape progress report as provided by Committee Co-Chair, Pete Brown to the Town office.
  - b. Rail/Trail- Members were directed to the progress report submitted to the Town office by Committee Co-Chairs Pete Brown and Rebecca MacLeod. The grant application submitted for the Trail Head by the Morgan County Commission should be announced this month.
  - c. Depot Interior Rehab- Chairwoman Susan Webster informed the Committee that rehab construction is continuing on the Depot and was going well. She is continuing to explore financial aid possibilities. One of these possibilities is to create a link and QR Code for individual donations to the Depot project. She hopes to have this ready for the Apple Butter Festival. Webster plans to request that the Depot lot be used for parking for this year's Apple Butter festival with proceeds going to the Depot project.
  - d. Chairwoman Webster explained the importance of Bath maintaining the Certified Local Government status that it currently has. It is important for Council to discuss and pass an amendment to Chapter 42 Historic Preservation correcting the ordinance to comply with State requirements. The State Historic Preservation Office officials plan to come to Bath in September to train and educate HLC members and to visit historic sites.  
The HLC met on August 10 after the Depot Owner's meeting. They discussed general reorganization needs, goals and mission. It is hoped that they will be involved in historic projects related to Town of Bath publicly owned properties such as the Depot and cemeteries. The Two Rivers Giving Circle has sent the Town a grant application and Webster plans to apply for the Depot.
  - e. The Ad Hoc ARPA Fund Committee has met and is discussing possible uses for the second round of Federal grant funds.
  - f. Chairwoman Webster is continuing to press for broader eligibility standards for applying for HB 4566 funds. She believes there are several projects in Town that could benefit from this bill.

5. The Committee reviewed account balances, the budget comparison and other financial details. Reviewing payroll data will be on the next agenda.
6. The BSWW and Town of Bath bills were reviewed and it was agreed to present the bills to Council for approval.
7. Town financial concerns of Council: Cemetery Chairwoman Skinner explained that \$25,000.00 match has been offered by an anonymous donor for the repair of the mausoleum. She is establishing a plan to meet this goal.
8. The next regular meeting will be September 6, 2022 at 3:30pm.
9. Adjourn

Attest: Chairwoman Susan Webster Date: 9-6-22