

**TOWN OF BATH FINANCE/GRANT
COMMITTEE**

Regular Meeting

Monday, October 17, 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 present: Clerk Corrick
3. Finance Committee Minutes of October 17, 2022 were approved by Common Consent.
4. Grant Review Reports:
 - a. Streetscape: See attached report as submitted by the Committee. *(None Submitted)*
 - b. Depot: Susan Webster reported on the construction progress and continuing research for additional funds. Webster advised that the Depot parking and donation collection over Apple Butter weekend netted almost \$5,000.00 for the Depot Rehab Fund. She will give a full report to Council and thanks to all of the volunteers and companies that participated. Businesses and individuals near the Depot want to meet to discuss their visions and plans to assist in the North End Revitalization Project. Lantz Construction Company has bought Building Systems of Hagerstown and it is hoped that the new project manager will be in touch soon to arrange a Depot Owners Meeting.
 - c. Trail Head: A meeting on October 12 was held with the BSWW and the WSPSD to discuss water and sewer lines at the Trail Head for future improvements to the property. It was concluded that water and sewer are easily available to access and that estimates from private contractors should be sought.
 - d. Certified Local Government: The WV State Historic Preservation Office and the Coordinator of the CLG program will visit the HLC on October 27 for instruction, guidance, and a tour of pertinent Town properties.
 - e. ARPA funds: It is unknown if the Ad Hoc ARPA Committee has met.
5. Clerk Corrick presented her report, budget comparison, account balances and payroll information.
 - a. Pay rates increase for the Town Labor Crew were discussed. More information will be sought to determine the total cost of adjusting the hourly pay scale and presentation of the entire employee compensation package.
 - b. The rate increase in Cemetery Workers Compensation by Encova as the carrier was discussed. It was concluded that the correct annual salary compensation expected must be corrected as a step to realistically present the Town's exposure.
6. The BSWW and Town of Bath bills were partially reviewed and this work will continue at the October 18 meeting.
7. Town financial concerns of Council: Cemetery Chairman Skinner explained the difficulties in hiring and maintaining grave diggers for Greenway Cemetery. Inability to

stabilize this situation creates financial loss to income generation and continuing management problems.

8. The next regular meeting will be October 18, 2022 at 4:00pm.

9. Adjourn

Attest: Chairwoman *[Signature]* Date: 10-18-2022