

**TOWN OF BATH FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**Regular Meeting**

Monday, October 18, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER: By Chairman at 4:00pm.
2. ROLL CALL: Susan Webster (X) Beth Skinner (X) Greg Forney (X) Quorum - Yes  
Also present: Councilman Chris Chapman & Clerk Sharron Corrick
3. Finance Committee Minutes of October 5, 2021 were accepted by Common Consent.
4. Clerk Sharron Corrick presented the revenue budget comparison for FY 21/22. She explained apparent shortfalls in Parking Violations are due to staffing difficulties and inability to access the BSPD office at times because of construction. A shortfall in Private Club fees is due to business closures and a late payment.
5. Town Clerk Corrick reported to date no reimbursement has been received by the Town office from WV SHPO for the resurvey grant. Grant Committee Chairman Forney has repeatedly reached out to SHPO with concerns, but his calls have not been returned. He will continue to attempt to get answers on the issue.
6. Town financial concerns of Council included:
  - a. The cancellation of the Apple Butter Festival was discussed as being inconsistent with other festivals and events held locally.
  - b. The Depot Rehab Chairman John McCracken will attend the FC meeting on October 19 to discuss financial needs of the project going forward. FC Committee Chair Webster plans to invite all project chairman to meet with the FC to clarify financial needs and plans to advance projects.
  - c. The WV Auditor's training is October 26<sup>th</sup> with sign up until October 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. ARPA Chair Chris Chapman spoke about this committee's informal thoughts for the ARPA funds allotted to Bath. Ideas discussed include employee bonuses, project matching fund support and covid expenses incurred by the Town.
  - e. Cemetery Chairman Skinner explained hazardous construction issues with Greenway's mausoleum. She is concerned about risk management and the cost of repair. The Committee believes Town support is warranted.
  - f. Annexation Committee Chair Chris Chapman spoke about the need for a study to be done on Bath annexation plans. The Committee is working on finding the right organization to produce this study and estimation of costs that will be incurred.
  - f. Recently the Town has received notification of a study of Morgan County's floodplain map and designations which include Bath. Chairman Webster expanded on the necessity for this map to be accurate as flood plain insurance is expensive. Excessive regulation often thwarts economic development.
7. The next Finances Committee meetings will be November 2 at 3:30pm..
8. Adjournment by common consent.

Attest: Chairman



Date 10-19-2021