**Town of Bath Grants Committee Minutes**

**Nov. 14, 2023 at 4:30**

**Town of Bath Municipal Center**

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call of Members – Chairman Mary Lynn Hickey ( X) Scott Merki ( X) Elizabeth Skinner (X ) Also attending: Sharon Corrick

Quorum - Yes

3. Minutes of the Grant Committee meeting of Oct. 10, 2023 were approved.

4. Project update review of currently awarded grants and grants in pipeline:

A. Streetscape – DOH Funding Agreement received on Nov. 13 and was signed by the Mayor. The signed funding agreement and the Resolution that was signed at the November 7, 2023 Town Council meeting were sent back to DOH with the town’s cash match check from the Streetscape Account for $106,999.25.

B. Train Depot – the grand opening celebration of the Train Depot was held on Saturday, Nov. 11, with the mayor and all town council members in attendance. It was a great success and visitors in attendance were asked to submit their ideas for future uses of this building.

C. Trail Head and R/T - the official Letting date for the NBRT Design/Build Solicitation is December 12, 2023 with a projected construction completion date of March 28, 2025.

E. ARPA funds – approximately $73,000 balance available to allocate to approved projects and spending.

F. Berkeley Springs State Park – Work is now in progress including the removal of both the north and south bridges and a new abutment for the south bridge was poured on Nov. 2. Masonry repair work was started in late October.

G. Mausoleum – repair work now underway by MRB Enterprises.

5. Review of funding requests submitted to the WV Grant Resource Center (WVGRC)– The town does not qualify for the USDA’s solar panels grant for the water department building because funding is limited to rural small businesses and agricultural producers. Public safety grants under COPS/JAG funding will be applied for when the new funding cycle opens in May. A new request will be made with WVGRC under travel and tourism grants to rebuild and improve the Town of Bath’s website and to explore funding sources for street lights.

6. Next meeting will be held on Dec. 11, 2023, 4:30 pm.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 PM.