**Town of Bath Grants Committee Minutes**

**July 8, 2024 at 4:30**

**Town of Bath Municipal Center**

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call of Members – Chairman Mary Lynn Hickey (X) Scott Merki (Absent) Elizabeth Skinner (X)

Quorum - Yes
Other attendees: Dave O’Connell, Pete Brown, Rebecca MacLeod

3. Minutes of the Grant Committee meeting of June 10, 2024 were approved.

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

A. Streetscape:

* Phase V construction contract – Waiting on the supplemental funding agreement.
* Phase V lighting grant - Funding request of $100,000 with $25,000 Town match is in process.
* WVDOH TA Grant Phase VI design grant – Just starting the design work for Congress, Union and Mercer streets covered by this grant.
* WVDOH TA Grant Phase VI construction grant application – Grant for $400,000 with $100,000 Town match is in process.

B. Trail Head and Rail Trail – Drawings and bid package received on July 8. Review and comments to be submitted by July 11.

C. Berkeley Springs State Park – Consent Order detailing the $3,360 DEP fine is out for public comment until August 3. Response letter from Mayor to DOH has been drafted which details next steps for the Town and requests specific information on the Bid Bond and remaining funds available in DOH/Town of Bath funding agreement. Meeting with Charles Trump to be scheduled soon.

D. USDA NRCS grant – Paperwork approved and RFQ in. Deadline is July 12. 14 respondents have requested packages including the scope of work. Waiting on signed notice of award from the state.

E. WV Division of Forestry Demonstration City grant - At its July 2 meeting, the Finance committee approved giving Kate Lehman from the Tree Board the go ahead to submit this grant application.

F. Water grant – Dave O’Connell detailed potential funding requests from Region 9 and the Morgan County Commissioners.

5. Status update on other grant submissions.

* AARP Safe Communities grant for Train Depot streetlights submitted.
* SHPO Remembrance grant application submitted by May 17 deadline in collaboration with Foxglove and DAR.
* COPS grant application to be submitted by June 12 deadline.
* Appalachian Forest Grant application for new Town website to be submitted before July 31 deadline.
* EPA’s Community Change grant being researched and RAISE grant on hold until 2025.

6. New business – The next meeting of Region 9 will be held on September 9 in Ranson.

7. Next Meeting – August 12, 2024, 4:30pm

8. The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM.