

Minutes
Town of Bath Grants Committee
September 8, 2025 at 4:30
Town of Bath Municipal Center

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM
2. Roll Call of Members – Chairperson Reba Dalson (X) Mary Lynn Hickey (X) Elizabeth Skinner (Absent) Quorum - yes Other attendees: Kate Lehman
3. Minutes of the Grants Committee meeting of August 11, 2025 were approved.
4. Project update review of currently awarded grants and applications
 - A. Streetscape:
 - WVDOH TA Grant Phase VI design grant – the signed Funding Agreement from DOH is expected to be received by the end of September. Funds available in the Streetscape account will be reimbursed by DOH after Thrasher issues an invoice and the Town pays it.
 - WVDOH 2025 TAPGrant Applications Phase VI Design– this is a \$400,000 grant with a \$100,000 Town Match. It appears that the Federal Highway Administration is on track to fund the TAP grants. DOH will review and score all TAP applications in mid-September with follow-up funding recommendations made to the Governor around October 1st.
 - Phase VII Streetlights – this is a \$100,000 grant with a \$25,000 Town Match
 - B. Trail Head and Rail Trail – DOH supplemental funding agreement #4 that included both Town and County resolutions was submitted to DOH and is awaiting the Secretary’s signature. The modified scope of work details the work required by the Voluntary Remediation Agreement (VRA) to remediate Parcel 1A of the Train Depot lot which is part of the NBRT Trailhead area.
 - C. USDA NRCS grant – the Town Council received the summary report from the August 26 Public Scoping Meeting hosted by the Warm Springs Watershed Association on August 26.
 - D. Community Tree Fund from the WV Division of Forestry grant –Kate Lehman reported that she is submitting a grant application for approximately \$27,000 and expects to receive notice of award in September.
 - E. SHPO Remembrance grant - All work is completed and a final report and request for reimbursement was submitted to SHPO.
 - F. COPS grant - the use of these funds is on hold until the Town hires a second full-time police officer. Grant financial report submitted on July 30 and progress report submitted on Sept. 1.
 - G. Appalachian Forest grant – The Lovely Pixels team has completed their work on the Town website renovation and upgrades. A final grant report and request for disbursement of awarded funds will be made after the final invoice from Lovely Pixels is approved for payment.
5. Status update on other grant prospects:
 - Pending grants with Region 9 – GIS mapping grant being prepared by Region 9 submitted in July that requires a 25% funding match from BSWW. Grant award notifications will be made in July 2026.

- An application for \$1,000,000 in Congressionally Directed Spending grant funds from Senator Shelley Moore Capito has moved to the next phase.
- Grant application for police department computers from the WV Dept. of Homeland Security submitted and the Town is waiting on notifications of grant awards made.
- Grants for street cameras and traffic calming signs being researched.
- Grants for cemetery grave mapping software being researched.
- A potential grant for the OnTrac / Main Street program is being researched.
- Additional grants for water facility restoration and repair are being researched. Grant applications will be submitted once the final draft of the Professional Engineering Report (PER) is completed.

6. New business: Report from the Sept. 8 meeting of Region 9 (Hickey) – Hickey shared an update on the meeting including Town of Bath projects on Region 9's list.

7. Next Meeting –October 20, 2025 at 4:30 PM. **NOTE: this meeting has been rescheduled from October 13 which is a Federal holiday and Town Hall is closed.**

8. Meeting adjourned at 4:56 PM.