

**MINUTES
TOWN OF BATH ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
TOWN OF BATH MUNICIPAL CENTER
REGULAR MEETING**

October 16, 2025

3:45 pm

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call of Members- Chairman Ryan Kessel (x) Greg Schene (x) Rick Weber (x)

Quorum – Yes

Also present: Reba Dalson

3. Review Minutes of the Ordinance Committee Meeting of September 18, 2025- Common consent

4. Sidewalk Maintenance: Repairing sidewalks was addressed, including the most damaged or unsafe spots around town. It was noted that some ADA compliant sidewalk corners and curbs were going to be replaced by DOT. It was discussed as to whether there are construction bonds and whether the Town can do this type of financing. Also, there was a question as to who does have the ownership and responsibility for sidewalks along Rt. 522.

5. Election provisions update: Chairman Kessel noted that he spoke with Morgan County Clerk as to the required date change for town elections. The County Clerk had no specific opinion on when the change should be made, other than they would help complete the transition and ensure compliance when the Town made the decision. It was discussed as to whether the election date should be in May or November and what year it should start, and that the full Town Council should continue to have input.

6. Special Events: A special events ordinance was discussed. The primary reason was to ensure the safety of town citizens and visitors during large gatherings and events. Specific provisions as to the cost of assistance from fire and police, as well as insurance and responsible parties, were discussed. Further drafting will be made.

7. New Business- Vacant Housing Registry: A registry for vacant housing was discussed. Including for the purposes of safety and blight. Specific provisions as to registration requirements and fees were discussed, as well as what was meant by a vacant property. Further drafting will be made.

8. Next Regular Meeting- November 20, 2025 at 330pm

9. Adjourn – 4:55pm

Chairman: Rytkul

Date: 11/20/25