

TO: Village Council and Mayor Brown  
FROM: Finance Sub-Committee, Rob Bartlett - Chair  
RE: Hamilton County Planning & Development Grant  
DATE: October 2, 2023

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The Finance Sub-Committee met on Monday, October 2, 2023 at 4:00 pm to discuss applying for a Hamilton County Planning & Development grant. Present at the meeting were Finance Sub-Committee Chair Rob Bartlett, Finance Sub-Committee Members Kelly Rankin and Randy York, Mayor Bill Brown, Part Time Administrator Chuck Barlow, Village Engineer Chris Ertel, Maintenance Superintendent John Scherpenberg, and Police Chief Rick Hines.

Mr. York previously met with April Gallelli of Hamilton County Planning & Development about grants that are available from her organization. After reviewing various options, Ms. Gallelli recommended that we apply for three one year Community Development Block Grants (CDBG). The grants can be up to \$100,000 each year. Ms. Gallelli specifically suggested that our best chance of winning the grant would be to focus on universal access and service to seniors in our park enhancements.

After discussing multiple projects, the sub-committee tentatively recommends that the Village apply for the Dogwood Park project for 2024, the swimming pool (specifically the baby pool) for 2025, and Dale Park for 2026. The deadline for applying for the grants is November 28, 2023. Mr. York is meeting with Ms. Gallelli again, and will check with her to see if these three projects are the best to put forward.

If council agrees with this recommendation, the Village Solicitor will draw up the necessary resolution to apply for these grants. Because of the November 28 application deadline, the Finance sub-committee is requesting that the resolution be passed on an emergency basis at the second council meeting in October, after Mr. York has met again with Ms. Gallelli.. Mr. York will lead the effort to put together and submit the grant application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Rob Bartlett, Chairman

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Randy York, Member

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Kelly Rankin, Member