

**Grants Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2022
5:30 PM
City Hall**

1. Call to Order
2. Approved 8/24/2022 Agenda and 7/13/2022 and 7/27/2022 Meeting Minutes
3. Special Guest Speaker: Former Deputy Administrator of FEMA Admiral Joseph Nimmich
 - Reviewed FEMA Regulations and how they related to the FEMA funding approved for the Dam Restoration Project
 - Recommended we contact FEMA Region 4 staff and ask for determination if the Dam Restoration Project qualifies for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant. <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities>
 - If determined the Dam Restoration Project is eligible, the City would need to request the State apply for Dam Restoration Project Funding and/or lake vegetation removal
4. Grants Submitted:
 - a. Golden LEAF Holly Walnut Redwood Project
Approved for \$250,000
<https://www.goldenleaf.org/>
 - b. Governor's Crime Commission Grant: Submitted in February by Chief Jordan for in-car cameras in the amount of \$24,000; awaiting decision ETA Sept 2022
<https://www.ncdps.gov/about-dps/boards-and-commissions/governors-crime-commission>
 - c. Orton Plantation:
Letter sent on 5/26/2022 for Dam funding request
Suzanne sent a follow up letter since no response from the original
<https://moorecharitable.org/>
 - d. Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP)
Proposal approved for \$14,900,000
Full application submitted on 8/19/2022
Decision to be made no later than 9/23/2022
<https://oldcc.gov/node/245>
5. New Grant Opportunities
 - a. Division of Water Infrastructure America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - State Fiscal Recovery Fund (due 9/30/2022)

Committee agreed the grant application would be funds to cover the cost of study needed for the Storm Water Master Plan (planning vs. construction)
Christopher has discussed this with Alex/McGill
Fall 2022 application is available
Grant Committee will call special meeting if the decision is made to apply
<https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-infrastructure/i-need-funding>

- b. Rural Transformation Grant Fund (opens in September 2022)
No Covid data to support grant request
Not a contender per the Committee
<https://www.nccommerce.com/grants-incentives/rural-transformation-grants>
 - c. Duke Energy grants cap at 20K but have exceptions
Capital improvements are not eligible so we cannot apply for the Police Station generator
Todd will contact Pam Hardy (Duke point of contact) to discuss grant opportunities for the City Center Master Plan and the City Pedestrian Plan
<https://www.duke-energy.com/community/duke-energy-foundation/north-carolina>
 - d. US EPA Sewer Overflow and Storm Water Reuse Municipal Grants (opens in September 2022)
Not a contender as we need matching funds which are not available at this time
<https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/sewer-overflow-and-stormwater-reuse-municipal-grants-program>
 - e. Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant
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 - f. Golden LEAF Souchak Project
This will be next Golden LEAF grant application
<https://www.goldenleaf.org/>
6. Discussion
- a. Bonner Parcel – purchase lot for \$5,000 would require Board approval as this is not a grant opportunity
 - b. North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resilience (NCORR) RISE Program
This is for awareness only; more information is coming
<https://www.rebuild.nc.gov/resiliency/resilient-communities/rise>
 - c. Parks & Rec partnership for old clubhouse – was added to agenda in error
 - d. Nicole Morgan has resigned from the Grants Committee; Nancy will post the vacancy on the City website
7. Grant Research Assignments
- a. Grant Committee to continue to review grants.gov for additional grant opportunities

- b. Todd will contact Pam Hardy (Duke point of contact) to discuss grant opportunities for the City Center Master Plan and the City Pedestrian Plan
 - c. Suzanne to contact FEMA Region 4 staff and ask for determination if the Dam Restoration Project qualifies for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant.
- 8. Next meeting is 9/28/2022 5:30 PM
- 9. Adjourn