Dear Wendy—This note comes as a response to your letter of December 20th. There are several means by which Bowdoinham can move ahead town projects you’ve identified—the Rt. 24 & Main Street intersection and Walkable Village Plan. MaineDOT has matching grant programs designed to accommodate village/downtown challenges: <https://www.maine.gov/mdot/pga/cbi/village/index.shtml>

and bicycle/pedestrian needs: <https://www.maine.gov/mdot/pga/funding/> . Please have a look at these grant opportunities to gauge whether one or both are a good fit for your projects, budget and timeframe. Once you’ve done so, both Dakota Hewlett, our active transportation planner, and I would be glad to come to town and discuss the grant programs in detail, view the project areas and brainstorm how/when to get started.

Regarding the pending Rt. 24 paving project, I believe Nicole Briand and MaineDOT project manager Timothy Pelotte have been in touch on the town’s request. I hope to have more information on where the conversation is at by the time we are next in touch.

Sincerely,

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