



# Town of Boscawen

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## January 2024 Monthly Newsletter

**Economic Development:** The EDC met on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The EDC recommended a pavilion be placed at the Boscawen Town Park to commemorate the Storrs Bridge. Mr. Charlie Niebling thought this would be the perfect proposal for the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant program and volunteered to write the grant application. Mr. Niebling said the grant application process is very straightforward and he thinks the pavilion and potentially other improvements at the Boscawen Town Park or other recreational facilities where the town has some control would be a competitive project. The EDC held a joint Visioning Session with the Planning Board and Central NH Regional Planning Commission to receive public comment on several Planning Board projects. Jacob Martin submitted his letter of resignation. He will be missed.

**Planning Board:** The Planning Board met on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The PB held a joint Visioning Session with the Economic Development Committee and Central NH Regional Planning Commission to receive public comment on several PB projects. The PB held a Public Hearing for a 2-Lot Minor Subdivision application located at 11 Jackson Street and 20 Academy Street. The application was passed by a unanimous vote. The PB held a Public Hearing for Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. Changes are being proposed to Articles II, IV, V, XII, XIV, XV, XXIII, and XXV. The hearing was in preparation for Town Meeting on 3/12/24.

**Agricultural Commission:** The Agricultural Commission met on January 16<sup>th</sup>. The Commission is seeking new members, as well as speakers that are involved in agriculture, to come to a meeting to discuss their operations. The Commission will begin reviewing documents in preparation for the 2024 Boscawen Community Garden season.

**Conservation Commission:** The Conservation Commission last met on December 19<sup>th</sup>. The January meeting was cancelled due to no quorum.

**Energy Committee:** The Energy Committee last met on December 19<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting is scheduled for February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Zoning Board of Adjustment:** The ZBA met on January 30<sup>th</sup>. The Board held a Public Hearing to hear a request for a Special Exception seeking relief from Article IX Section 9.02 (b) Provisions, to allow a one-time expansion of 25% of the gross building area. The appeal passed by a unanimous vote.

**Joint Loss Mitigation:** The JLMC last met on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Beautification Committee:** The Beautification Committee met on January 30<sup>th</sup>. The Committee will be working on drafting advertisements for their Adopt-a-Spot locations. New spots have been added to the list such as the new Tremont Street Welcome Sign, and the Historical Society building, fence and lawn. These will require volunteers once all details are finalized. The "Welcome to Boscawen" sign at the Harris Hill Roundabout will be put back up in the spring once the ground thaws.

**Planning Board Technical Review Committee:** The TRC last met October 20<sup>th</sup>.

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