



# Town of Boscawen

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## April 2023 Monthly News Letter

**Economic Development:** The EDC met April 4<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was held at Concord Makers Space and hosted by Sandra May. Ms. May introduced the EDC to the business' new location in Boscawen and explained what they do. She said their mission is to “develop a safe, fun, and collaborative environment supporting makers of all ages and skillsets coming together to teach, learn, create, explore and prosper.” They are still in the process of moving in and finding a home for everything. Right now the Makers Space is strictly membership based at \$50/month with various discounts. She thinks that price will go up in the future due to upgrades and access. Eventually they would like to experiment with a day pass model. Concord Makerspace will hopefully be opening soon!

**Planning Board:** The Planning Board met April 4<sup>th</sup>. Matt Taylor from Central NH Regional Planning Commission discussed what updates will be done to the Master Plan this year. The Housing Chapter, the Mill Redevelopment District, the Planned Unit Development Ordinance, the Cluster Development Ordinance, and the Tax Increment Finance District will all be updated. The Board discussed impact fees for the Fire Department with Fire Chief Kenney. The current fire station cannot support the growth of the town and is in need of updates and impact fees would help offset these costs by taxpayers.

**Energy Committee:** The Energy Committee met April 18<sup>th</sup> for a work session. The Committee used this meeting to clean up the remainder of the Electric Aggregation Plan (EAP), in preparation to go to the Select Board. The Committee still had a few questions that needed to be answered, but after the most recent edits, are pleased with the progress and are hoping to present to the Select Board in a few weeks. Once approved by the Select Board, the next step is to hold 2 Public Hearings, September and November are the goal dates. The Committee would like to create a simple fact sheet summarizing the EAP to bring to the Public Hearings.

**Agricultural Commission:** The Agricultural Commission met April 11<sup>th</sup>. The Committee discussed a new project called the “Agricultural Welcome Wagon” which would include information from the Department of Agriculture’s “Who’s Who Directory”. The directory contains numerous agriculture contacts. Other items would include the Rack Card of Boscawen and a 1 page summary with additional information.

**Conservation Commission:** The Conservation Commission met April 18<sup>th</sup>. Scott Hill from the Snowmobile Club discussed moving a walking trail in the Town Forest. He needs permission from the Commission because there is a small stream that would require the construction of a bridge

and the opening of a stone wall. The bridge would be no wider than 10-12 feet. The lot that abuts the Weir Road Town Forest has been listed for sale for \$2.33 million. The total parcel within the Boscawen town line is 70 acres, with the rest being in Concord, totaling 330 acres. The seller may be willing to subdivide.

**Old Home Day Committee:** The OHDC last met April 17<sup>th</sup>. The Town Wide Yard Sale will be May 20<sup>th</sup>, with a rain date of May 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It will cost \$5 to have your address added to the map and \$10 for a table at the Municipal Facility. There will be pizza from Constantly Pizza as well as a bake sale. The OHDC discussed entertainment for this year's Old Home Day and the organization of the Golf Tournament. The fireworks are cancelled for OHD this year, unless someone were to offer to sponsor them.

**Beautification Committee:** The Beautification Committee last met April 10<sup>th</sup>. The Committee suggested making the library sign, flagpole, 2 containers and garden plantings community volunteer efforts in hopes to make the Committee more visible, and build volunteer interest. The goal in the long run, is to cultivate a new generation who, hopefully, will carry it this work. This Committee is seeking new members as well.

**Zoning Board of Adjustment:** The ZBA last met December 27<sup>th</sup>. The April meeting was canceled due to no appeals.

**Fire Department Advisory Committee:** This is a new Committee seeking membership.

**Police Advisory Board:** The PAC last met March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Planning Board TRC:** The TRC last met August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Hazard Mitigation:** The HMC last met December 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Joint Loss Mitigation:** The JLMC last met February 14<sup>th</sup>.

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