## January 2023 Monthly News Letter

**Economic Development:** The EDC met January 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Commissioners of the Penacook Boscawen Water Precinct were invited to provide an update regarding the water availability to new developments in town. The Precinct is looking for another water source as a supplement to the three existing wells. The InvestNH Project Application was approved in November, 2022.

**Planning Board:** The Planning Board met January 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Board held a Public Hearing for an application for a Major 4-lot subdivision. The application was continued to a date certain of February 7<sup>th</sup>. The Board held a Public Hearing for modifications to the operating conditions contained within Earth Excavation permit #PB01212020-1. The modifications were accepted by a unanimous vote. The Board held a Public Hearing for amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. The amendments were accepted by a unanimous vote. The Board held a Public Hearing for amendments to the Master Plan. The amendments were accepted by a unanimous vote.

<u>Energy Committee:</u> The Energy Committee met January 17<sup>th</sup>. The town has become a member of the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire as of December 2022. The Energy Committee was designated by the Select Board as the Community Power Committee. The Committee will be working on a Community Power Plan. The Merrimack Valley Woodchip Plant Tour was scheduled for January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023. This Committee is seeking membership.

**Agricultural Commission:** The Agricultural Commission met January 10<sup>th</sup>. Planning of the Draft Horse Plowing Contest is underway. An idea to tour various farms was presented to the Commission. The Cheshire County Conservation Commission has a list of farms that can be toured for any interested.

<u>Conservation Commission</u>: The Conservation Commission met January 17<sup>th</sup>. The Commission is working on putting the Walker Pond Dam on a map. The Commission discussed adding acreage to town forests. There is a conference for Saving Special Places in April.

<u>Old Home Day Committee:</u> The OHDC met January 18<sup>th</sup>. The OHDC discussed new events and attractions for the 2023 Old Home Day. There are limits on what can be done because of the insurance contract. The Flashy Flock cutouts were proposed to be chickens. Registration forms will be available in May.

<u>Beautification Committee:</u> The Beautification Committee met January 10<sup>th</sup>. The Committee is working on getting irrigation to certain areas in town. The Committee is interested in having volunteers "Adopt a Spot" to water and maintain. This Committee is seeking membership.

**Zoning Board of Adjustment:** The ZBA last met December 27<sup>th</sup>. The January meeting was cancelled due to no appeals. The next meeting is February 28<sup>th</sup>.

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

**Police Advisory Board:** The PAB last met October 11<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting is March 14<sup>th</sup>.

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

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

**Joint Loss Mitigation:** The JLMC last met October 4<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting is TBD.

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