## July 2022 Monthly News Letter

**Economic Development:** The EDC met July 13<sup>th</sup>. Ross Cunningham Merrimack County Commissioner informed the EDC of a Solar Project. They will have a site walk July 28<sup>TH</sup>. There was discussion about the RFP and contractors. Commissioner Cunningham also stated that the county commissioners set aside 2 million for grant opportunities for nonprofit organizations, towns and cities. The EDC met with Aaron Hinze who is part of the UCONN TAB program. The committee is trying to pull together a time to have an Economic Development Fair which would allow for businesses to hire individuals while informing Towns people of their business. The EDC circled back to the Municipal Transportation tax and will be doing more research and informing all committees of the Municipal Transportation tax and how it can benefit the Town.

<u>Planning Board:</u> The Planning Board met July 5<sup>th</sup>. The Planning Board continued the Compliance Hearing for Kenney's Garage to August 2 along with the Amendment to Site Plan Application for Ryan Stacy LLC for a gravel pit. The Planning Board approved a Lot Line Adjustment for Claire Benoit at 16 Sweatt Street. Planning Board approved the amendments to the Land Developments.

**Energy Committee:** The Energy Committee met July 11<sup>th</sup>. The Committee met with Madeline Mineau from Briar Hydro/Essex Hydro, Jordan Betts from Green Lantern Solar and Henry Herndon from Herndon Enterprises, LLC. The Committee would like to take a tour of Briar Hydro/Essex Hydro in the fall. There is potential for public tours as well. The Committee heard a presentation from the Community Power Coalition of NH and were interested in taking the next step.

**Agricultural Commission:** The Agricultural Commission met July 14<sup>th</sup>. The judges for the Old Home Day sheep contest have been secured and once judging is finalized a list of the winners will be displayed at Twiggs Art Gallery. The rescheduled Composting Workshop was July 12<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately there was no one in attendance, so it was recommended that in the future the programs be spread out further or offer different phases related to the same subject matter.

<u>Conservation Commission</u>: The Conservation Commission met July 19<sup>th</sup>. The Commission continued the discussion of Walker Pond and the Dam. The Dam has not been purchased yet and the commission will continue discussion at the next meeting. A motion was made to recommend to the Select Board to appoint Mark Kaplan to URMLAC. The commission will be working on updating their section in the Master Plan.

Old Home Day Committee: The committee met July 18<sup>th</sup>. The Golf Tournament will be held August 25<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Food Trucks Friends 4 Oba and Junkyard Dogs have paid. Ms. Kenney hired Reptiles on the Move to come from 2-4pm. All of the prizes have been ordered for the kid's games. For games they have Corn Hole Toss, Twister, Connect 4, BINGO and Musical Hula Hoops. Ms. Kenney got cardboard so the Parks and Rec program kids could create the background for each game. The kids from the Park program will be running the games. Ms. Kenney may need to buy the dunking booth. The committee needs to start planning the October Yard Sale.

**Beautification Committee:** The Beautification Committee met July 25<sup>th</sup>. Vice Chair Drouin and Ms. Towle attended the Penacook Academy Review Committee Public Hearing on July 20<sup>th</sup> to explain the Committee's vision for the gazebo outside of the Municipal Complex. This project would include staining the gazebo and possibly plating flowers around the base. Everyone in attendance favored the gazebo project.

**Zoning Board of Adjustments:** Cancelled due to no appeals.

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

**Police Advisory Board:** The next Police Advisory Board meeting will be October 11<sup>th</sup>.

**<u>Planning Board TRC:</u>** The TRC committee will meet August 10<sup>th</sup> to hear an application for a minor site plan submitted by Joe Pustizzi.

**Hazard Mitigation:** Meets again September 20, 2022.

Joint Loss Mitigation: Meets again September 20, 2022

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