



Town of Boscawen

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March 2023 Monthly News Letter

Economic Development: The EDC met March 7th. The EDC is working with Central NH Regional Planning Commission to update the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies Project Priority List. The EDC needs to decide what projects need to come off, which need to stay open, and if there are any new projects to be added to the 2023 document. Deputy PCD Director O'Brien and PCD Assistant Gallagher are working with Ashley Bathgate on the details of the Fall Festival.

Planning Board: The Planning Board met March 7th. A site walk has been scheduled for the Select Board and the Planning Board to visit a few Class VI roads with Code Enforcement Officer Hardy. All other Committees, Commissions and Department Heads are welcome to join. The Board held a Public Hearing for an application for the Amendment and Transfer of the Excavation Permit on Commercial Street. The application was approved by a unanimous vote. The Board held a Public Hearing for an application for a Conditional Use Permit for a duplex on Sweatt Street. The application was approved by a unanimous vote. The Board held a Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit & Major Site Plan for a 16 Unit Residential Apartment Building. The applications were approved by a unanimous vote.

Energy Committee: The Energy Committee met March 28th. The Committee continues to work on the Electric Aggregation Plan, in preparation to present to the Select Board. The Committee discussed placing a potential solar array at the Transfer Station.

Agricultural Commission: The Agricultural Commission met March 13th. The Commission has set a date and time for the Draft Horse Event for Old Home Day. It will be held on August 20th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sanborn Farm. The OHDC agreed to set up a food sale and serve refreshments, similar to their Yard Sale, to raise money.

Conservation Commission: The Conservation Commission met March 21st. Members of the Agricultural Commission met with CC to discuss a partnership to tackle areas of Boscawen where invasive species have taken over, such as the Town Forests and Rail Trail. The group discussed a potential workshop on invasives.

Old Home Day Committee: The OHDC last met February 22nd. The March meeting was canceled.

Beautification Committee: The Beautification Committee last met January 10th. The next meeting is TBD.

Zoning Board of Adjustment: The ZBA last met December 27th. The March meeting was canceled due to no appeals.

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

Police Advisory Board: The PAC met March 21st. The Department's newest member is Officer Alex Ladd. Officer Ashley Kiesling is scheduled to graduate from the Police Academy by the end of April. Sadly, we will be losing another officer. Chief Wyman has secured a \$7,500 Highway Safety grant. This money is for specific uses such as extra speed details and/or DUI stops. The State reimburses costs. The Chief also reported that ARPA funds were used to purchase portable radios for all the officers. Several of the chargers are on back order, however, the old chargers work with the new radios. Chief Wyman announced to the committee that he will be retiring from the Boscawen Police Department as of April 16th.

Planning Board TRC: The TRC last met August 23rd.

Hazard Mitigation: The HMC last met December 20th. The next meeting is TBD.

Joint Loss Mitigation: The JLMC last met February 14th.

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