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May 2022 Monthly News Letter

Economic Development: Canceled Due to no quorum. At the June 6th, 2022 meeting the Committee will be discussing the Economic Development Fair and potential grants. The Economic Development Fair will allow for residents and members of the community to get to know local businesses and connect with potential employment opportunities. Michael Tardiff will be discussing potential grants for the Town of Boscawen. Ross Cunningham will be attending the EDC meeting as well to discuss the new happenings at Merrimack County.

Planning Board: The Planning Board met May 3, 2022 and discussed 91- A training, a potential expansion of a gravel pit, the Master Plan, and an update on Kenney's Garage. Mrs. Barbara Randall and Chair Varney attended 91-A training and will have PCD Clerk Gallagher send out the YouTube link for those who were unable to attend. PCD Director Easler said that the Audley Pit on DW Highway Map 47 Lot 6 will be coming to the Planning Board to ask for an extension after they meet with the Conservation Commission. Master Plan updates are due back for the July meeting to review. PCD Director Easler said that Kenney's Garage has until the end of May to come into compliance.

Energy Committee: The Energy Committee met May 9th, 2022. Standard Power made a presentation to the Committee and would like the MOU sent to PCD Director Easler so the committee can review it and decide whether or not they will make a recommendation to the Select Board. The Committee discussed the need for Charging Stations and potential grants for them. The Facilities Director Gary Moore conducted an Energy audit with Rise Engineering and Eversource, the committee will review the audit. Merrimack County has a solar project that they will be conducting and PCD Director Easler will keep the committee in the loop on the project.

Agricultural Commission: The Agricultural Commission met May 12th, 2022. Ms. Paige Wilson attended the meeting. She is with the Waste Reduction & Diversion Planner under the Solid Waste Management Bureau for NHDES. She discussed composting for their composting project. The committee is working on their chapter in the Master Plan and will have it for the Planning Board to review. Mr. Odell will be meeting May 18th at the Elementary School with the person who runs the planting program. All of the Community Garden Plots are taken. One of the water lines at the community garden was damaged to incorrect tilling. The Agcomm meeting times have changed to 6:30pm.

Conservation Commission: The Conservation Commission met May 17th, 2022 at Walker Pond. The Commission listened to a presentation by TF Bernier Land Surveying regarding the Gravel Pit for Ryan Audley located off of DW Highway. The commission will be writing a letter of recommendation. They accepted an appointment application for Betsey McNaughten as an Alternate Commissioner. They are excited because Betsey currently works for NH Fish and Game and has previous experience on Deering Conservation Commission and will be a great asset to the Commission. The Commission will be receiving quotes to assess the dry hydrant on Walker Pond and potentially relocate it to create more parking space. More planning is to come with the acquisition of Walker Pond.

Old Home Day Committee: The Old Home Day Committee met May 16th, 2022. They have secured one food truck with payment and proof of insurance. The food truck is called 'Friends 4 Oba' which is an Asian Fusion style. They also have two more trucks interested. One is pending their schedule with a bigger festival that day. If they're not part of that festival, they will join Old Home Day. They are still looking for a dessert food vendor. They discussed an ice cream truck. The entertainment is all set for OHD and they also discussed advertising to previous sponsors for the Golf Tournament. The Town Wide Yard Sale was May 21st, 2022.

Beautification Committee: The Beautification Committee met April 23rd, 2022. They discussed the areas in which they would like to focus on such as, the entryway and flag pole at the Town Municipal Office and the Fire Department. The committee will be looking for donations. They are continuing their efforts to take care of the Circle as well. They will meet again May 23rd, 2022.

Zoning Board of Adjustments: Canceled due to no appeals.

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

Police Advisory Board: The Police Advisory Board last met March 15th, 2022 they discussed the new recruit Jagger Bell. The Advisory Board also discussed the Police Department looking into updating their fire arms using ARPA funds. The Police Department is hoping to have the body cameras by the end of March. Chief Wyman gave the Advisory Board a quick overview on how the new car technology works.

Planning Board TRC: The Technical Review Committee last met May 17th, 2022 to hear an application for a restaurant/ brewery for Great Blue Brewing on North Water Street. The application passed. They heard an amendment to a Site Plan for Headrest back in April and a Minor Site Plan for Black Forest Nursery back in February. Both applications passed.