Lakes Region Planning Commission

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LRPC Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 13, 2022

9:00 - 11:00 AM

LRPC Office, **Second** Floor Conference Room Humiston Building, 103 Main Street, Meredith, NH 03253

AGENDA

NOTE: Seven (7) Executive Board members must be present in-person at the meeting location to establish a quorum, so please let Jeff know if you cannot attend.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Finance Report
- 3. Monthly Executive Reports (March)
- 4. Committee Reports
 - a. Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

Attachment

- b. Nominating Committee Update
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Annual Meeting Planning Update
 - b. Annual Meeting Awards Descriptions / Nomination Update
- 6. **New Business**
 - a. FY23 Organizational Budget
 - b. Staffing Update
 - c. Election Ballot
- 7. Roundtable
- 8. Adjourn

NEXT MEETING: May 11, 2022

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LRPC Executive Board Meeting

Minutes of March 9, 2022

PRESENT John Ayer (Chair), Dean Anson, Mardean Badger, Bill Bolton, Pat Farley, Steve Favorite, David Kerr,

Robert Snelling, Steve Wingate

ABSENT Tony Giunta, David Katz. Jean Marshall

STAFF Jeff Hayes (Executive Director), Linda Waldron (Administrative Assistant)

PUBLIC None

LOCATION LRPC Office, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Meredith

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order.

2. Minutes of December 8, 2021

Unavailable

3. Finance Report

Jeff presented the finance report. The annual meeting budget was briefly discussed. Sponsorship status update was given – we have a gold sponsor and two bronze sponsors at this point. Jeff spoke about the newly revised regional map we have printed and have been sending with our sponsorship mailings. Discussion was had of possibly providing a copy to each of the towns. It was mentioned that it could be framed, laminated, or some such for hanging purposes. Everyone seemed to like the idea. Pat asked if maybe we could also supply a PDF version of the map. An update was provided regarding the purchase of our new server and, although costly, it was well-timed as just as we were transitioning over to the new server, our old one failed. We are also in the process of purchase a new laptop and a new desktop. Housing needs assessment with RPCs was extensively discussed. Pros & cons regarding our involvement was a major factor. There is a survey in place to assess the public's input. Emails were also sent to the towns. Pat suggested that we might want to send a secondary email due to the fact that with the elections and possible change in personnel, the first mailing might be overlooked. Finally, termination of regional impact from Effingham stemming from the gas station issue was discussed with the board. Our only involvement should be with the site plan.

4. Monthly Executive Report

None.

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5. Committee Reports

A. TAC (Jeff & Steve)

Re-elected chair; new vice-chair. Approved 4 sets of minutes. Updated rules. Bike/pedestrian plan discussed.

10-year transportation planning process is restarting. Another 2 year cycle of project identification and funding. Towns are encouraged to submit project applications ASAP. LRPC will have some on-call engineering funds to help towns with project estimation which may require a match from the community.

B. Nominating Committee Update (John)

Need to get updates on who would like to continue to serve.

6. Old Business - Annual Meeting

Lengthy discussion regarding the annual meeting. Jeff provided an update as to the current budget. Information and costs obtained to date were provided. John asked about obtaining a building permit for the tent given the size. We will need to investigate whether this is necessary either through the country club or through the city. Discussion was had regarding the ticket cost. It was agreed upon that \$50.00 is reasonable given the current times, price increases, and the cost to rent the tent. Raffles for 2 or 3 big ticket items were discussed – possibly a round of golf from the country club could be donated. Tote bag with thank you gifts was briefly discussed. The feasibility/possibility of a tour of the water park was mentioned. How many free or comped meals are we looking at? Should we invite some dignitaries and have then read a prewritten letter? Should we obtain a videographer? What does the guest speaker need for his presentation; do we need to obtain anything for this? Nomination forms and awards were also discussed along with the new Ayers-Cotton Award.

7. New Business

Hazard mitigation project issues/losses. We are consistently losing money doing these. We can't increase the cost as it is set by HESM and we are contracted by them.

Options: (1) Jeff recommended that we discontinue this generally, but review for special exceptions if a town has no other source and is willing to pay the difference between what we are reimbursed and what it costs us. We can provide a quote to the town at the time of the request. (2) We can seek an outside service and provide a referral as these requests come into us. (3) Subsidize our losses out of town dues.

There was a consensus from the board to follow this approach.

8. Staffing Updates

- A. **Top Priority.** Land Use Planner—We have been unable to find a replacement for our land use planner. Susan had graciously agreed to stay on an additional 6 months past her announced retirement, but that extension is expected to end in the Fall. Possible plan is to hire a full time senior transportation planner to act as principal planner and handle land use needs with part time contractors.
- B. Administrative Assistant—We are looking to have one full time administrative assistant with one possible part time assistant.

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C. Interns—We are looking to have 2 summer interns.

Bob mentioned looking into AmeriCorps for interns. Holderness has been successful in utilizing their services and the town has been able to provide reduced housing for the employees. Also check with Squam Lakes Association.

9. Roundtable

B. Bolton, Plymouth—Bill advised that he was re-elected as Selectboard Member at last night's elections. The town report was noted to contain many errors. Plymouth has hired a full time Assistant Planning Director /Land Use Tech.

R. Snelling, Holderness—Bob was proud to announce that one of his photographs were featured on the cover of the town's annual report. Bob mentioned that there was an amendment on the ballot regarding solar restriction issues, but he was not sure if it passed or not. He stated that restrictions were regarding what type of category the structure would fall under, limitations, placement, safety, and setbacks. There was also an issue as to whether a 100-acre solar farm should be allowed or whether they should be restricted to smaller acreage and what limitations should be placed on locations.

- M. Badger, Ashland—A deliberative session was held last month, voting was held last night. The library has been trying to purchase a piece of property on the historic register and the purchase has now passed. A \$400,000 gift has been given to facilitate this acquisition.
- S. Wingate, Tuftonboro—A proposal for a bond to raise funds to finance a new police station failed, but the current budget passed. The development of land on Route 109 is in the works. There are now 2 parties interested in this site. Proposed are workforce housing units together with luxury units. There are issues regarding the number of units to be allowed on the property.
- D. Kerr, Barnstead—Part 1 of town meetings for elections were held last night, nothing was contested. David has been reelected. On the ballot is a question as to storage of personal RVs on property and whether to limit this. David mentioned that some people are living in them while they are on the property raising sanitation and other concerns. He is unsure of how this question faired. There is a 17-unit development in the works. The town is seeking exaction from the developer to improve the dirt road it is on. There is also a proposal regarding the noise ordinance up for vote at the town meeting.
- S. Favorite, Bristol—Elections were yesterday. There is a proposal to build a combined fire department and police department building which goes to the voters on Saturday. Steve mentioned the solar field near the Pemi River to accommodate the waste treatment plant and town electrical consumption. There are two air B&B matters up for Saturday's discussion; neither of them allows children. Fuel cost concerns were discussed.
- P. Farley, Tamworth—Pat mentions that the Entering Tamworth sign is missing. Town meeting tonight. Discussed the transfer station's request to invest money to improve the transfer station. There are 2 new selectmen. The planning board kept the chair and alternate; 2 others did not win.
- D. Anson, Laconia—The Conservation Committee is looking into the flooding potential areas in the city and working with an Antioch student to construct a model for this. This is being conducted remotely with the use of GPS. This project is fully funded. Krista Larson of the DPW has interns designing a storm water system for Union Avenue to deal with wetlands overflow drainage into Paugus Bay.
- J. Ayer, Gilford—John spoke about a short-term rental ordinance in the works, but there are currently too many issues with it so it has been tabled for the time being. The town ordinance regarding noise was amended and has passed. Quiet time is now 8PM. Keno has been voted down. There will be a new flag for Gilford. There will be a Michael's store coming to

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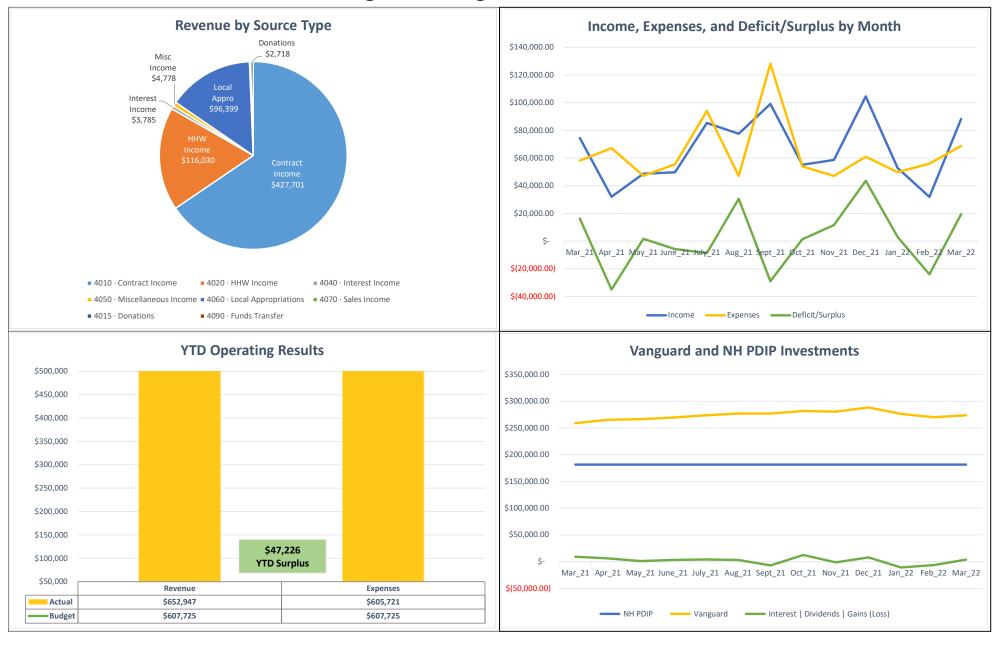
the Wal-Mart plaza. There is a possible purchase in the works for the former strip club property in Gilford. There have been multiple variance appeals regarding lake water construction (some approved, some not). The new building inspector has just gotten started. He is finding it challenging, but is moving forward.

10. Adjourn

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Waldron, Meeting Recorder

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Lakes Region Planning Commission STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As of March 31, 2022

	Mar 31, 22
ASSETS	
Current Assets Checking/Savings	
1011.00 · Operating Account	438.78
1040.00 · Petty Cash 1070.00 · Cash Management	150.00 146,818.21
1071.00 · Savings	741.01
Total Checking/Savings	148,148.00
Accounts Receivable 1110.00 · Accounts Receivable	93,844.91
Total Accounts Receivable	93,844.91
Other Current Assets	
1451.00 · Prepaid Postage	80.62
1452.00 · Bulk Mail Permit 98	30.46
1510.00 · Vanguard Investments 1580.00 · NH PDIP	273,776.26 181,581.77
Total Other Current Assets	455,469.11
Total Current Assets	697,462.02
Fixed Assets	00.,.02.02
1640.00 · Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment	36,533.50
1745.00 · Furniture & Equipment - Deprec	(30,533.50)
Total Fixed Assets	6,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	703,462.02
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities Accounts Payable	
2010.00 · Accounts Payable	10,471.48
Total Accounts Payable	10,471.48
Other Current Liabilities 2120.00 · Accrued Vacation Payroll 2130.00 · Payroll Liabilities	18,058.05
2135.00 · 401(k) Contribution	1,615.38
Total 2130.00 · Payroll Liabilities	1,615.38
2350.00 · Deferred and Unearned Revenue 2351.00 · Deferred Town Assessment 2352.00 · Deferred HHW Income 2353.00 · Deferred Other Income	39,853.00 27,320.00 5,000.00
Total 2350.00 · Deferred and Unearned Revenue	72,173.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	91,846.43
Total Current Liabilities	102,317.91
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Equity	
3110.00 · Unrestricted Net Assets	553,393.05
32000 · *Unrestricted Net Assets Net Income	3.40 47,747.66
Total Equity	601,144.11
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	703,462.02





Lakes Region Planning Commission FY22 Budget Performance

March 31, 2022

			Fiscal Year	(22)	-to-Date	
	FY22 pproved ual Budget		FY22 YTD Actual		Difference dget v Actual)	% of Annual Budget
ncome	- 5	N				
4010 · Contract Income	\$ 546,470	\$	427,701	\$	(118,769)	78.27%
4020 · HHW Income	\$ 119,000	\$	116,030	\$	(2,970)	97.50%
4040 · Interest Income	\$ 4,000	\$	3,785	\$	(215)	94.64%
4050 · Miscellaneous Income	\$ 6,000	\$	4,778	\$	(1,222)	79.63%
4060 · Local Appropriations	\$ 128,530	\$	96,399	\$	(32,131)	75.00%
4070 · Sales Income	\$ 3,800	\$	1,535	\$	(2,265)	40.38%
4015 · Donations	\$ 2,500	\$	2,718	\$	218	108.73%
4090 · Funds Transfer	\$ -	\$		\$	-	
Fotal Income (est.)	\$ 810,300	\$	652,947	\$	(157,353)	80.58%
Expense					Target:	75.00%
6030 · Custodian	\$ 4,160	\$	2,925	\$	1,235	70.31%
6050 · Education and Training	\$ 1,000	\$	485	\$	515	48.50%
6060 · Equipment Maintenance	\$ 11,650	\$	9,273	\$	2,377	79.60%
6070 · HHW Expense	\$ 103,000	\$	102,247	\$	753	99.27%
6080 · Insurance - Bonds and Business	\$ 3,000	\$	2,739	\$	261	91.30%
7010 · Publishing/Memberships/Meetings	\$ 18,275	\$	8,544	\$	9,731	46.75%
7020 · Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 758	\$	2,192	\$	(1,434)	289.23%
7030 · Office Improvements	\$ 500	\$	864	\$	(364)	172.79%
7040 Office Expense	\$ 10,000	\$	10,725	\$	(725)	107.25%
7050 · Payroll Expenses	\$ 590,299	\$	406,357	\$	183,942	68.84%
7060 · Postage and Printing	\$ 1,000	\$	669	\$	331	66.94%
7069 · Allowance for Direct Grant Expenses	\$ -	\$	12,490	\$	(12,490)	
7070 · Professional Services	\$ 27,461	\$	21,615	\$	5,846	78.71%
7080 · Rent	\$ 9,672	\$	7,254	\$	2,418	75.00%
7090 · Traffic Equipment	\$ 4,125	\$	343	\$	3,782	8.32%
7095 · SADES Equipment	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	
8010 · Travel Expense	\$ 5,000	\$	2,357	\$	2,643	47.13%
8050 · Utilities	\$ 15,900	\$	11,961	\$	3,939	75.22%
8060 · Vehicle O&M	\$ 4,500	\$	2,679	\$	1,821	59.52%
Total Expense	\$ 810,300	\$	605,721	\$	204,579	74.75%
					Target:	75.00%
Net Ordinary Income ¹	\$ -	\$	47,226			
Realized Gain (Loss) ²		\$	_			
Unrealized Gain (Loss) ²		\$	522			
Net Income		\$	47,748			

¹Net Ordinary (Operating) Income is as of November 30, 2021.

²Realized and Unrealized Investment Gain (Loss) are as of November 30, 2021.





Lakes Region Planning Commission FY22 Budget Performance

March 31, 2022

				Fiscal Year			
	FY22 Approved Annual Budget			FY22 YTD Actual	(В	Difference udget v Actual)	% of Annual Budget
Membership		128,530		96,399		(32,131)	75.00%
Local Contracts							
PRLAC	\$	2,700	\$	600	\$	(2,100)	22.22%
Energy Aggregation					\$	-	
Other Traffic Counts			\$	480	\$	480	
Northfield Circuit Rider	\$	4,000	\$	4,131	\$	131	
Bristol Master Plan Development			\$	6,500	\$	6,500	
Center Harbor Circuit Rider	\$	4,000	\$	81	\$	(3,919)	
Plymouth Circuit Rider			\$	3,544	\$	3,544	
NBRC Bristol			\$	1,504	\$	1,504	
NBRC Laconia Area Community Land Trust		<u> </u>	_		\$	-	
CDBG Wolfeboro GALA	\$	10,000	\$	20,750	\$	10,750	207.50%
NBRC G.A.L.A. Community Center			\$	1,160 1,213	\$	1,160	
NBRC LR Community College	Φ.	40.000	\$	-,	\$	1,213	20.070
Lakeshore Redevel Laconia State School	\$	10,000	\$	3,027	\$	(6,973)	30.27%
CDBG Grafton County Micro Enterprise	Φ.	12,000	\$	10,114 23,341	\$ \$	10,114 11,341	
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NBRC State School	\$	35,000 14,000	Ф	20,461	\$ \$	(14,000)	
RSMS Project Hebron	\$	6,000	\$	3,250	\$	(2,750)	
RSMS Project Plymouth	\$	5,000	Ф	3,250	\$	(5,000)	
CCDS Project Plymouth	\$ \$	5,000			\$ \$	(5,000)	
Additional NBRCs	\$ \$	10,750			\$	(10,750)	0.00%
Subtotal	\$	118,450	\$	106,175	\$	(12,275)	89.64%
State / Federal Contracts	Ψ	110,400	Ψ	100,170	Ψ	(12,210)	03.047
NCCRPC Coordinated Public Transit	\$	1,350	\$	_	\$	(1,350)	0.00%
NRPC NH Geodata Portal	\$	1,375	Ψ		\$	(1,375)	0.00%
USDA CF Disaster TAT Streetscaping	\$	30,000	\$	19,178	\$	(10,822)	63.93%
DOS HSEM - Center Harbor	Ψ	00,000	\$	1.500	\$	1,500	00.007
DOS HESM - Sanbornton			<u> </u>	.,000	\$		
DOS-HSEM - Bridgewater	\$	3,000			\$	(3,000)	0.00%
DOS-HSEM - Tilton	\$	3,000	\$	6,000	\$	3,000	200.00%
DOS-HSEM - Tuftonboro	\$	2,000		2,000	\$	(2,000)	0.00%
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USDA Solid Waste Management FY21	\$	34,000	\$	38,159	\$	4,159	112.239
EPA Composting & Gardening			\$	17,965	\$	17,965	
APR Regional Housing Assessment			\$	39,648	\$	39,648	
USDA Solid Waste Management FY22	\$	74,999	\$	40,675	\$	(34,324)	54.23%
DOT UPWP FY 22 / 23	\$	267,185	\$	147,290	\$	(119,895)	55.13%
OEP Targeted Block Grant	\$	11,111	\$	11,111	\$	-	100.00%
Subtotal	\$	428,020	\$	321,526	\$	(106,494)	75.12%
Other Income							
4020 · HHW	\$	119,000	\$	116,030	\$	(2,970)	97.50%
4021 · HHW Local	\$	103,000	\$	99,668	\$	(3,332)	96.77%
4022 · DES HHW	\$	16,000	\$	16,362	\$	362	102.26%
4015 · Donations	\$	2,500	\$	2,718	\$	218	108.73%
4040 · Interest & Dividends	\$	4,000	\$	3,785	\$	(215)	94.64%
Land use book sales / GIS	\$	3,800	\$	1,535	\$	(2,265)	40.38%
Other/Misc Income/Annual Meeting	\$	6,000	\$	4,778	\$	(1,222)	79.63%
Fund Balance					\$		
Subtotal	\$	135,300	\$	128,846	\$	(6,454)	95.23%
TOTAL	\$	810,300	\$	652,947	\$	(157,353)	80.58%
						Target:	75.00%





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6062 · Equipment/Computer Maintenance	\$	11,650	\$	7.128	\$	4.522	61.18%
6061 · Equipment Purchases	\$	11,000	\$	2.146	\$	(2,146)	01.1076
6070 · HHW Expense	\$	103,000	\$	102,247	\$	753	99.27%
6080 · Insurance - Bonds and Business	\$	3.000	\$	2.739	\$	261	91.30%
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7040 · Office Expense 7043 · Copier Lease	\$	5.000	\$	3.576	\$	1.424	71.52%
7041 · Supplies	\$	5.000	\$	7.149	\$	(2.149)	142.99%
7050 · Payroll Expenses	\$	590,299	\$	406,357	\$	183,942	68.84%
7050 · Payroll Expenses 7051 · Salaries and Wages	\$	452,118	\$	307,415	\$	144,703	67.99%
7051 - Salahes and Wages 7052 - Health, Dental, Disability, Life & Unemp	\$	60.839	\$	42.820	\$	18.019	70.38%
7055 · Retirement Fund	\$	42,755	\$	32.423	\$	10,332	75.84%
7057 · Payroll Taxes	\$	34.587	\$	23.699	\$	10,888	68.52%
7060 · Printing & Postage	\$	1,000	\$	669	\$	331	66.94%
7069 · Allowance for Direct Grant Expenses	•	1,000	\$	12,490	\$	(12,490)	00.0470
7070 · Professional Services	\$	27,461	\$	21,615	\$	5,846	78.71%
7071 · Audit	\$	7.000	\$	6.600	\$	400	94.29%
7072 · Contracted Services	\$	19.661	\$	14.829	\$	4.832	75.43%
7074 · Legal	\$	500	\$	-	\$	500	0.00%
7075 · Payroll Service	\$	300	\$	186	\$	114	62.00%
7080 · Rent	\$	9,672	\$	7,254	\$	2,418	75.00%
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8052 · Telephone and Internet	\$	9,900	\$	7,277	\$	2,623	73.50%
8060 · Vehicle O&M	\$	4,500	\$	2,679	\$	1,821	59.52%
Totals	\$	810,300	\$	605,721	\$	217,098	74.75%
						Target:	75.00%

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Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2022 (Zoom and In-Person)

Members Present	LRPC Staff
Malcolm (Tink) Taylor - Holderness, Chair Bob Letourneau— Ashland David Kerr — Barnstead Sarah Whearty (alt) — Belmont Steve Favorite — Bristol	Jeff Hayes, Executive Director Susan Slack, Principal Planner Dave Jeffers, Regional Planner Jessica Bighinatti, Assistant Planner
Bill Dowey (alt) – Bristol (Zoom)	Guests (Zoom)
Seth Creighton – Franklin Meghan Theriault – Gilford Krista Larsen – Laconia John Edgar – Meredith Dari Sassan – Moultonborough Bob Pollock– New Hampton Joe Fagnant – Plymouth June Rowan Hammond (alt) – Plymouth (Zoom)	Joseph Perez (Zoom)- Assistant Planner, Plymouth
John Gotjen – Tamworth Lee Ann Moynihan – Tilton (Zoom) Tavis Austin– Wolfeboro (Zoom)	

Non-Voting Members

Kim Rummo, NHDOT, Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance Chris Turgeon, NHDOT District 2

Samantha Fifield, NHDOT District 3

1. Welcome and Introductions / Call to Order

Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Attendees and guests introduced themselves. The Right to Know Law requires a quorum of the membership of the Transportation Advisory Committee to be in person to vote on motions and take official actions. It was determined that there are twenty-three filled positions on the TAC, with seven vacant positions, and that twelve members are required to attend in person to establish a quorum for conducting business. With thirteen members in attendance at the location of the meeting, a quorum was achieved.

2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

A motion was made and seconded to nominate Tink Taylor to continue to serve as chairman.

M|S|P M. Theriault | J. Edgar | Passed

A motion was made and seconded to nominate Krista Larsen as Vice Chair.

M | S | P M. Theriault | J. Edgar | Passed

3. Approval of Draft TAC Meeting Minutes

Chairman Taylor said a vote on approval of past meeting minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve June 2nd Meeting Minutes

M|S|P J.Gotjen | M. Theriault | Passed

Abstained: B. Letourneau and S. Whearty

A motion was made and seconded to approve October 6th Meeting Minutes

M|S|P B. Letourneau | S. Favorite | Passed

Abstained: J. Edgar and S. Whearty

A motion was made and seconded to approve November 3rd Meeting Minutes

M | S | P M. Theriault | S.Favorite | Passed

Abstained: B. Letourneau and S. Whearty

A motion was made and seconded to approve February 2nd Meeting Minutes

M|S|P M. Theriault | B. Letoruneau | Passed

Abstained: B. Pollock and J. Edgar

4. Amendment of TAC Standing Rules and Procedures

S. Slack spoke on proposed amendments to the TAC's Standing Rules and Procedures, most of which are intended to bring them into compliance with the current provisions of RSA 91-A, the Right to Know Law, which requires a quorum of the membership to attend in person at the physical location of the meeting.

M|S|P M. Theriault | S.Whearty | Passed

Abstained: None

Discussion of Each Amendment change.

The addition in Article IV Membership, change the language to "who may vote in the absence of the representative" in the last sentence of the first paragraph.

The addition in Article IV Membership, 3rd Paragraph, "members appointed by municipalities shall attend all regular meetings of the TAC. In the event a member misses three (3) consecutive regular meetings, the appointing authority shall be so notified in writing by LRPC's Executive Board". LRPC intention is to notify the members on if they miss multiple meetings without notification. J. Hayes noted that many towns do not even know if their members are attending or not and that this will help let towns know. The

word unexcused will be added to 'In the event a member misses three (3) unexcused consecutive regular meetings..."

The addition in Article IV Membership, B

- 13. N.H. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Public Transportation and Railroads
- 14. N.H. Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics (DELETE AND ADD NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS, RAIL AND TRANSIT)

B. Letourneau brought up the language of Article VI. Meetings and Determinations, that instead of the addition in the first paragraph of "All meeting notices shall include an agenda which shall be sent..." it should include more specific information on using email. It was decided by the TAC to leave the language as recommended and keep it general to encompass email and hardcopies.

The deletion of 2nd paragraph in Article VI Meetings and Determinations "As the determinations of the Committee are purely advisory information for consideration by the regional planning commissioners, there will be no established meeting quorum. However, meetings will be conducted in accordance with normal parliamentary procedures. Formal recommendations from the Committee on any issue brought to a vote, will include which voting members were in attendance for the vote, the actual vote counts, and any major objections or dissenting opinions which the minority wishes to be forwarded" and replace with "TAC members from 51% of the member municipalities that have voting privileges and have appointed a TAC representative shall constitute a quorum. Meetings will be conducted in accordance with RSA 91-A and normal parliamentary procedures. Formal recommendations from the TAC on any issue brought to a vote will include which voting members were in attendance for the vote, the actual vote count, and any major objections or dissenting opinions that the minority wishes to be forwarded"

It was recommended by TAC to change the "Half the TAC member municipalities plus one of the membership municipalities that have voting privileges and have a TAC representatives shall constitute a quorum."

The Addition of 3rd Paragraph in Article VI meetings and Determination "The TAC shall allow one or more members to participate in a meeting by electronic means of communication for the benefit of the public and the TAC, subject to the provisions of RSA 91-A."

The Addition of the Town of Plymouth in Article VII. Subareas and Subcommittees and removal of Brookfield in the last two paragraphs.

Chairman Taylor had another rollcall vote, all in favor with no members abstaining.

5. Demonstration to drainage Rule and Procedures

D. Jeffers recapped what services LRPC provides during the summer Months: Traffic Counts, Turning Movement Counts, SADES- RSMS, Pedestrian Assessment, CCDS, Stream Assessments, Guard Rail Assessments, and CCDS (Culverts and Closed Drainage).

SADES

Culvert & Closed Drainage Structure (CCDS) – inventory and basic structural

measurement & and assessment (DPW, HMP)

- Focus on structures
- A useful tool in sharing asset locations and conditions for coordinating local projects
- Data collection includes culvert and headwall materials, size, and condition, obstructions, sediment build-up, substrate, scouring, and other attributes
- Helpful resource for addressing Hazard Mitigation infrastructure projects
- Helps maintain continuity in project planning
- Often requested by Road Agent or Board of Selectmen
- B. Dowey asked what happens with the Data and how and when this information is reported to NHDOT. D. Jeffers stated that the data is uploaded on a regular basis as data collection is being completed. Data is being posted on NHDES sites as it goes through the quality control process. In the past there was little access to the data and what RPCs could provide to communities. In the past LRPC would develop reports, maps, and data sets to communities to show the information that is collected in these data collections. The collection of the data is done typically by teams from the RPCs, sometimes NHDOT does collect data.
- J. Hayes speaks on the flooding and the greatest concern we see as a state is the culverts and that many culverts in NH are undersized. Storms typically can cause flooding and the culverts can cause a lot of damage to roadways and if a town doesn't know the number of culverts and the condition they are in, it can lead to even more destruction of roads and the municipality.
- J. Edgar asks on if these reports have ana analysis that calculates if a culvert is undersized. D. Jeffers says that is part of the stream crossing assessment. J. Hayes notes that the CCDS collection considers the size, material, and condition of the culvert and that information is provided to the municipality.
 - Stream Assessment inventory and detailed assessment of permanent stream crossings

 structure and landscape with full geofluvial and aquatic organism passage analysis
 (DPW, HMP, Cons. Comm.)
 - Much more robust data collection suite
 - Full assessment of structures
 - Assessment of water bodies
 - Assessment of Aquatic Organism Passage
 - Hydraulic modeling of structure capacity
 - Follows NH DES assessment protocol
 - Used for:
 - Infrastructure planning
 - Watershed planning
 - Hazard mitigation planning
 - Wildlife conservation

- Often requested by
 - Board of Selectmen
 - Conservation Commission
 - Road Agent
- SADES Drainage Dashboards https://nhsades.maps.arcgis.com/home/index.html
- If your community is interested in a CCDS or Stream Crossing Assessment, please contact:
- David Jeffers, Regional Planner/GIS
- djeffers@lakesrpc.org 603.279.5341

D. Jeffers provided an overview of the online maps available for communities to review and explore. The maps can show where data has been previously collected and towns can review their culverts. Information about the inlet, outlet, pipes, and drainage structures are available to review and pictures are attached to each culvert or drainage structure. Each culvert has all the information collected for the report and the date of when the data was collected. The Map is an overlay of google maps and easy for those to navigate. This is newly available information to the communities and if communities have had their data collected in the past may be due for an update and may not be shown on the online map.

M. Theriault speaks on when this can be useful to communities. Having an online map is useful to generate quick numbers compared to using an excel spreadsheet and the paper maps. LRPC can be available to help with mapping and updates.

J. Edgar asks if the state or town is proposing to repair or replace pipe, are they obligated to look at aquatic passage. S. Fifield says that the state must look at all these features when repairing or replacing culverts.

6. Lakes Region 2022 Bicycling and Walking Plan Update

J. Bighinatti discussed the final survey results of the Bicycling and Walking Survey. Over 633 Surveys were completed compared to the 250 survey completions in the 2012 survey. These survey results are being incorporated into the plan and contact information was taken from those interested in hearing more about the plan and information on Bicycling and Walking. Jessica stated that if towns are interested in hearing specifics about their community they can contact her.

- J. Bighinatti went on to discuss the layout for the Bicycling and Walking plan:
 - Executive Summary –Describes the plan and chapters
 - Chapter 1: Context- Introduction, purpose, why Bike Ped
 - Chapter 2: Vision for Bikeable and Walkable Region-Goals and Accomplishments
 - Chapter 3: Existing Conditions- Multi-use Trail Section, Traffic Level Stress, Bike Ped Trends
 - Chapter 4: Bike Pedestrian Projects- Existing Projects, Success Stories, Proposed Ideas

- Chapter 5: Use Trends and Public Input- Survey, Bike Ped Data, NH, and US Data
- Chapter 6: Regional Planning Recommendations- Recommendations to Support Vision, Implementation
- Appendix A: Historic Plans Related to Biking and Walking
- Appendix B: Survey Results
- Appendix C: Local Master Plan Goals and Recommendations

M. Theriault asks on if the Bike-Ped plan will be having more informational sessions and public input opportunities. J. Bighinatti mentioned that this is being discussed at upcoming Commissioners meeting and that the idea of planning a charette or public meeting is in the works and that there will be more information to come on the upcoming update.

K. Larsen asks on what the recommendations will be and if that survey will base those recommendations. J. Bighinatti says the implementation section is in the works and that information will come from LRPC staff, local municipalities, and commissioners. Having a public meeting will help generate more recommendations and implementations. The State Bike-Ped plan can also have recommendations to the

- J. Edgar notes the distinction between Bicyclists and Pedestrians and there should be an emphasis on walkable communities vs. bikeable communities in the Lakes Region Plan. The plan needs to take in the different challenges of each travel method and target implementations and recommendations of both modes.
- B. Letourneau mentions the language of bikers and how that can be read as motorcyclists and be careful of language.
- S. Slack mentions the State Rail Trail Plan is being updated and LRPC will provide more information as it becomes available.

7. Transportation Updates

2023-2032 Ten Year Plan (TYP)

S. Slack updated the TAC about the status of the 2025-2034 Ten Year Plan which LRPC and communities are starting to prepare for. The Lakes Region Planning Commission typically receives the regional allocation of \$5.1 Million in funding from the state for Lakes Region Projects, but it hasn't been decided what our allocation this upcoming round will be. In the last funding round, the Lakes Region's top 3 regional priorities made into the draft TYP and the 4 lower scoring TYP projects were not submitted to NHDOT. Three TAP projects were submitted but were not funded through the Transportation Alternatives Program which is part of the Ten-

Year Plan.

S.Slack discussed the differences for this TYP round compared to last round. For this TYP funding round LRPC is working on securing an On-Call Engineer to help with project applications and provide conceptual design, project scope and cost estimate. LRPC has set aside \$20,000 to help with receiving some prior engineering to the final submission to the TYP. The idea of the municipal match was discussed with TAC to allow communities to submit projects for the on-call engineering and apply a match to allow for more projects to be engineered due to the tight budget of \$20,000. The idea of the municipal match would be a first come, first served process. If your community is interested in receiving pre-engineering, communities would have a cash match. LRPC is looking at \$4,000-\$5,000 cash match for conceptual engineering. J. Hayes mentions that the process is getting more and more competitive and that having pre-engineering will help projects be selected for TYP funding.

- J. Edgar mentions that this process may favor the larger communities that have funds available and may even have engineering available for projects. Smaller communities may have a difficult time with funding and don't have the engineering capabilities at their community.
- J. Hayes discusses the challenges of having a match funding can be difficult for smaller communities that may not have money available to submit a match and LRPC is looking for feedback on the best strategy on how to go about the engineering funding.
- S. Creighton asks about the process LRPC uses. LRPC calls for the application, TAC reviews them, TAC has presentations, scores them based on the state criteria. Those top ranked projects are submitted to the state for estimates and TAC reviews the projects one more time before being officially submitted.

LRPC is looking to contract with an engineering firm very soon to start gearing up for Letter of Intents and applications from communities looking to have their project submitted for preengineering.

J. Edgar noted that it would be nice to see a map of the Lakes Region and see where projects in the Ten-Year Plan are located.

The project application and prioritization will be coming quick and LRPC is encouraging towns to begin discussing possible project applications and Letter of Intents.

8. Regional Updates

M. Theriault discussed the CDL training and Wes Anderson from Laconia was working with Krista Larsen on organization a training session at the Lakes Region Community College. There is no information right now, but communities were emailed about seeing who was interested in attending the classes. There were about 50 individuals interested in the training.

9. Other Business

Next TAC Meeting is April 6, 2022.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:06 pm.

Lakes Region Planning Commission

55th Annual Meeting Award Nomination





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SUBMITTED BY

YOUR NAME

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LRPC PHONE

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NOMINEE (ORGANIZATION)									
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Contact Person: Caitlin Meaney	Contact Person Phone and Email (if different from above):								

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

(Please describe)

Construction began January 3rd on the \$5.4 million project to renovate the 25-unit Deer Run apartment complex at 62 Pleasant Street in Meredith, NH. Construction is scheduled to last 12 months. Upon completion, the property name will change to Harvey Heights.

This project has been five years in the making and we've had to overcome many obstacles. We are proud that the team has persisted against all odds to preserve these affordable units and bring them up to our healthy housing standards.

LRCD purchased the property in 2016. It was built in the 1970s using a US Department of Agriculture – Rural Development financing program that requires the property be maintained as affordable housing for 40 years. After that, the owner can essentially do what they want with the property. In this case, the owner wanted to sell it.

Given the property's location, LRCD believed there was a high likelihood the property would have been redeveloped as high-end housing, meaning 25 units of affordable housing would have been lost. LRCD purchased the property to preserve it as affordable housing. Due to the scarcity of resources in New Hampshire to rehabilitate older affordable housing, it took LRCD five years to put all the funding together.

Planned improvements include interior renovations to all apartments, the addition of a sprinkler system for life safety, and a multitude of energy efficiency improvements, including new windows, doors, insulation, and siding. The goal of the project is to ensure the units have good indoor air quality and are energy efficient, which is good for the tenants, the community, and the environment. The project also includes improvements to the grounds.

The property will remain occupied throughout construction. Blocks of four apartments will be vacated on a rolling basis to complete the interior renovations. Construction is scheduled to be complete by the end of the year.

Funders that made this project possible include Raymond James Tax Credit Fund, New Hampshire Housing, New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture – Rural Development, Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, NeighborWorks America, and Rural LISC. Construction financing is provided by Franklin Savings Bank. Permanent financing is provided by NeighborWorks Capital and USDA – Rural Development. North Branch Construction is the construction manager. Stewart Associates Architects and Northpoint Engineering comprise the design team.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION	(CONTINUED)	Add additional sheets if necessary.

REFERENCES

(List names, addresses, and phone numbers)

John Edgar, Community Development Director at Town of Meredith, 603.677.4217 Jeanie Forester, Meredith Selectboard, 603.677.4205

NOMINATION DEADLINE: Monday, April 18, 2022

Email to: admin@lakesrpc.org Questions? 603-279-5340 or admin@lakesrpc.org

or mail to: LRPC Awards Committee

103 Main Street, Meredith NH 03253

Forms are also online at www.LakesRPC.org

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SUBMITTED BY

YOUR NAME

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Volunteer

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NOMINEE (ORGANIZATION)								
Organization Name: Andover Hub	Phone: 603-735-5509							
Address: 157 Main St., Andover, NH 03216	Email: theandoverhub@gmail.com							
Contact Person: Susan Chase	Contact Person Phone and Email (if different from above): 603-735-5135 srfchase@aol.com							

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

(Please describe)

Founded in 2019, The Andover Community Hub is a young organization housed in an old building. Andover's original 1879 Town Hall was bought at a foreclosure auction in 2016 with the goal of returning it to its roots as a center of the community, while at the same time preserving a vital and beloved piece of town history. Recently the building The Andover Hub resides in was added to the New Hampshire State Register of Historic Places.

The Andover Community Hub is financed entirely by small program fees, individual donations, rentals, fundraising events and an occasional foundation grant.

The Hub offers a wide variety of classes, informal gatherings and events. It provides meeting space for community organizations, and things like birthday, baby and bridal showers, and anniversary parties. The Hub has no staff and relies on community members to lead, teach and organize programs. The involvement of anyone who would like to help build the community of Andover and surrounding towns by sharing their ideas, skills, time and support is welcomed. Some examples over the past year follow below.

Coffee at the Hub twice a week is an informal social time to meet a friend, stay to chat with whoever is there, play cards, work on a puzzle, or grab a table for a quick meeting with colleagues.

Family movie nights are free and offer popcorn and drinks. Tiger Mountain Shotokan instructs kids and adults in karate. Other fitness classes offer yoga, bone builders, mind body barre, dancing, and zumba. The Hub closet has materials such as yarn, fabric, stuffings, etc. for various projects. Quilters and other crafters have biweekly gatherings to work on projects while socializing. The Andover Girl Scout troop meets at the Hub. German and dog obedience classes are also offered. The Granite State VNA holds a monthly senior health clinic. AARP offers tax prep help.

A photo of the building is shown on the website https://www.andoverhub.org/

The building and all programs were suspended during the first year of the covid pandemic but have slowly resumed over the past year. Masks are required and vaccinations are encouraged.

	FY21 B	Budget	FY22	Budget	FY2	3 Budget	
	Pro	posal	Pr	roposal		Proposal	Comments
Ordinary Income/Expense							
Income							
4010 · Contract Income		42,101.00		546,470.00	\$	639,441.00	
		11,111.00		11,111.00	\$	11,111.00	112 · Targeted Block Grant
		2,700.00	\$	2,700.00	\$	2,700.00	215 · PRLAC
	\$ 3	37,500.00	\$	30,000.00	\$	10,000.00	292 · USDA Streetscaping
					\$	15,000.00	293 · PRLAC Corridor Management Plan
Should we call these Hangover contracts??		6,000.00	\$	3,000.00	\$	6,000.00	392 · Bridgewater HSEM Carryover from Previous Year
	\$	6,000.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	6,000.00	394 · Tuftonboro HSEM Carryover from Previous Year
					\$	55,000.00	433 · APR Regional Housing Needs
	\$ 1	18,000.00	\$	74,999.00	\$	22,400.00	435 · USDA Solid Waste Grant FY22 [75% of \$99,998 Proposed Budget]
					\$	7,500.00	436 · NBRC Gale School Belmont
					\$	12,405.00	437 · NBRC Town of Sandwich
	\$ 21	14,490.00	\$ 2	267,185.00	\$	20,000.00 279,825.00	439 · CDBG Grafton County Microenterprise Technical Assistance FY22/23 722 · UPWP FY22 Budgeted Income [Based on 55/45 Budget Split] vs. \$297k listed in proposal to NHDOT
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			S	4,000.00	\$	4,000.00	395 - Northfield Circuit Rider
			Ψ	4,000.00	Ψ	4,000.00	397 Center Harbor Circuit Rider
					\$	2,500.00	398 · Plymouth Circuit Rider
					Ψ	2,500.00	390 Trymour novem rader 438 - NBRC Town of Hebron
					\$	75,000.00	FY23 USDA SWG 75% to total
					\$	100,000.00	Sen. Shaheen Earmark for Req. Plan update
	\$ 1	12,000.00	s	10,750.00	\$	-	Additional NBCs
		,		,			Closed Projects from Previous Year(s):
			\$	14,000.00	\$	-	State School NBRC Year 1
	\$	6,000.00					386 · Sanbomton HMP {Expect 100% Completed in FY 21]
	\$ 1	12,000.00	\$	10,000.00	\$	-	425 · Lakeshore Redevelopment Panning Commission Laconia State School
		5,400.00	\$	1,350.00	\$	-	278 · NCCRPC Coordinated Public Transit, expect 75% billed in FY 21
		5,900.00	\$	1,375.00	\$	-	291 · NH Geo Portal \$4525 billed by 6/30/21, \$1375 bill by 5/31/22
	\$	6,000.00	\$	3,000.00	\$	-	393 · Tilton- expect @ 50% complete in FY 21
			\$	4,000.00	\$	-	397 · Center Harbor Circuit Rider
		4,000.00	\$	10,000.00	\$	-	418 · CDBG Wolfeboro G.A.L.A.
		10,000.00	\$	12,000.00	\$	-	429 · CDBG Micro TA-COVID
		50,000.00 35,000.00		34,000.00 35,000.00	\$ \$	-	430 · USDA Solid Waste Grant FY21 432 · CDBG Grafton County Microenterprise Technical Assistance FY21/22
		5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	-	501.1a PLY · RSMS Project Plymouth only 50% billed in FY 22
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4015 · Donations	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,500.00	HHW only
4020 · HHW Income							
4021 · HHW Local Income	\$ 10	03,000.00	\$ 1	103,000.00	\$	103,000.00	Maintained at FY22 Budget No increase from FY 20 [Four Years of Level Funding]
4022 · HHW State Income		15,090.00	\$	16,000.00	\$	16,688.00	Per Grant Application Submitted
Total 4020 · HHW Income		18,090.00	\$ 1	119,000.00	\$	119,688.00	
4040 · Interest Income 4045 · Interest & Dividends - Invest	\$ \$	2,700.00	\$	4,000.00	s	4,000.00	State to deliver the state of t
4045 · Interest & Dividends - Invest 4050 · Miscellaneous Income	Ф	2,700.00	Þ	4,000.00	Þ	4,000.00	Dividends and Interest Earned on Vanguard and NH PDIP Investments
4050 · Miscenaneous income 4053 · Annual Meeting	\$	6,500.00	\$	6,000.00	\$	12,125.00	Sponsors (\$2,500) Ticket Sales (\$9,625) [Offset by Expenses (see 7011 · Annual Meeting)]
4055 · Office Cost Recovery	\$	-	Ψ	3,000.00	Ψ	12,120.00	
4056 · Miscellaneous	\$	_					
Total 4050 · Miscellaneous Income		6,500.00	\$	6,000.00	\$	12,125.00	
4060 · Local Appropriation Dues		28,530.00		128,530.00	\$	134,957.00	5% Increase
4070 · Sales Income							
4071 · Land Use Book Sales	\$	1,000.00	\$	3,800.00	\$	1,300.00	Net Sale Income
Total 4070 · Sales Income	\$	1,000.00	\$	3,800.00	\$	1,300.00	
4090 · Fund Balance	\$ 3	35,253.94					
Total Income		36,674.94		810,300.00	\$	914,011.00	
Gross Profit	\$ 73	36,674.94	\$ 8	810,300.00	\$	914,011.00	

	FY21 Budget	FY:	•	FY2	3 Budget	
	Proposal		Proposal		Proposal	Comments
pense						
6030 · Custodian	\$ 4,160.00	\$	4,160.00	\$	4,160.00	
6050 · Education & Training	\$ 5,450.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	
6060 · Equipment Maintenance						
6062 · Equip. Maint	\$ 1,650.00	\$	1,650.00	\$	1,650.00	LRC \$137.50 per month * 12 months
6063 · Computer Maint.	\$ 1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	
Total 6060 · Equipment Maintenance	\$ 3,150.00	\$	3,150.00	\$	3,150.00	
6061 · Equipment Purchases	\$ -					
6070 · HHW Expense						
6072 · HHW Contractors	\$ 103,000.00	\$	103,000.00	\$	103,000.00	Maintained at FY22 Budget No increase from FY 20 [Four Years of Level Funding]
Total 6070 · HHW Expense	\$ 103,000.00	\$	103,000.00	\$	103,000.00	
6080 · Insurance - Bonds & Business	\$ 3,000.00	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000.00	
7010 · Publishing/Memberships/Meetings						
6020 · Books Land Use	\$ -	\$	2,700.00	\$	-	See Line Item: 4071 · Land Use Book Sales for Net Sales Income
7011 · Annual Meeting	\$ 7,500.00	\$	10,025.00	\$	11,125.00	Rental of Faciliies and Caterer
7012 · Memberships	\$ 6,000.00		6,000.00	\$	6,000.00	NHARPC (\$1,000) NESGFOA (\$50) APA NADO (\$3,000) Municipal Management (\$110) NHMA (\$585) NH Planners Association (\$442) NAHMMA (\$150)
7013 · Commissioner/Other Meetings	\$ 1,750.00		1,750.00	\$	1,750.00	
7015 · Publications, Subscriptions	\$ 500.00		500.00	\$	500.00	
Total 7010 · Publishing/Memberships/Meetings	\$ 15,750.00		18,275.00	\$	19,375.00	
7020 · Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 750.00		758.00	\$	500.00	Monthly ACH Fee to Initiate NHRS and ICMA Batch (\$180) Monthly FSA Card Fee (\$132) MVSB Lock Box (\$75)
7030 · Office Improvements	\$ 1,000.00		500.00	\$	500.00	NOVIDING ACTIFEE OF INITIALE WITHOUT ALL DEMONSTRATES (\$150) MOTITING FOR CARL FEE (\$132) MV3B LOCK BUX (\$13) New AIT Conditioner for Printer Room
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7041 · Supplies	\$ 6,000.00		5,000.00	\$	5,700.00	Primarily Staples and W.B. Mason [Includes Checkmate Stamps.com Supplies Spillers Engraving Awards]
7042 · Software Renewal	\$ 8,500.00		8,500.00	\$	9,210.00	ESRI (\$5,550) QuickBooks Payroll (\$500) QuickBooks Subscription (\$600) LRComputers (\$2,100) Adobe Pro (\$300) Canva (\$160)
Total 7040 · Office Expense	\$ 14,500.00		13,500.00	\$	14,910.00	
7043 · Copier Lease	\$ 5,750.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	
7050 · Payroll Expenses						
7051 · Salaries & Wages	\$ 418,817.26		452,118.00	\$	510,543.00	
	\$ 393,704.00	\$	440,778.00	\$	461,383.00	Core Staff: Ex. Direc, 4 Full time Planners, 1-FT admin and 1-Part-time admin
				\$	11,059.00	• 5% Increase for Core Staff Only 2.5% affects FY23 since increases are given in January 2023
	\$ 25,113.26	\$	11,340.00	\$	49,160.00	Summer Staff Interns
7052 · Health Insurance	\$ 59,413.00	\$	50,823.00	\$	90,539.00	Hayes Jeffers Slack Senior Transportation and Solid Waste Planners Administrative Assistant
7053 · Life Insurance	\$ 300.00	\$	300.00	\$	432.00	Hayes Jeffers Slack Bighinnati Senior Transportation and Solid Waste Planners Administrative Assistant
7054 · Long Term Disability Insurance	\$ 1,162.00	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00	Hayes Jeffers Slack Bighinnati Carder Administrative Assistant Senior Transportation and Solid Waste Planners
7055 · Retirement Fund	\$ 33,223.00	\$	42,755.00	\$	44,540.00	Hayes Jeffers Slack Bighinatt Senior Transportation and Solid Waste Planners [14.06% rate]
7056 · Dental Insurance	\$ 4,867.26	\$	4,676.00	\$	6,586.00	Hayes Jeffers Slack Senior Transportation and Solid Waste Planners Carder Administrative Assistant
7057 · Payroll Taxes	\$ 32,040.00	\$	34,587.00	\$	39,057.00	7.65% of Salaries and Wages
7058 · Workmans Comp.	\$ 800.00		800.00	\$	1,000.00	•
7059 · Unemployment Insurance	\$ 1,000.00		1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	
7061 · Short Term Disability Insurance	\$ 2,040.00		2,040.00	\$	2,947.00	Hayes Jeffers Stack Bighinnati Carder Administrative Assistant Senior Transportation and Solid Waste Planners
Total 7050 · Payroll Expenses	\$ 553,662.52		590,299.00	\$	697,844.00	. aspec periodic periodic periodic production assessment contact and contact a
7060 · Postage & Printing	ψ 000,002.02	Ť	000,200.00	Ť	007,044.00	
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						Stamps.com (\$24.99 per month)
7062 · Postage	\$ 700.00 \$ 1,000.00		700.00 1,000.00	\$ \$	1,000.00	Includes postage for Annual Meeting
Total 7060 · Postage & Printing	\$ 1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	Þ	1,300.00	
7070 · Professional Services						
7072 · Consultant	\$ -	\$	17,661.00	\$	17,661.00	50% of UPWP On-Call Engineer Budget Minimal CEDS Update
7073 · USDA Expenses		\$	2,000.00	\$	-	
7075 · Payroll Service	\$ 300.00		300.00	\$	300.00	
Total 7070 · Professional Services	\$ 300.00		19,961.00	\$	17,961.00	
7071 · Audit	\$ 7,000.00	\$	7,000.00	\$	7,000.00	
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Meredith town manager to move to Berlin

BY JON DECKER
THE LACONIA DAILY SUN

MEREDITH — Meredith's longtime town manager, Phillip Warren, is leaving the position after nearly 13 years of service.

"I've totally enjoyed working with him," said Meredith selectboard member Jonathan James. "I hate to see him go, but everyone makes a move for a reason."

For Warren, that reason is the desire to seek a new challenge. Warren is not leaving the profession, but bringing his talents and experience to the same role in Berlin.

"Berlin is a community with great growth potential, not unlike Meredith was in earlier times," Warren said. "The challenge of managing a community of this type inspired me."

Warren previously worked as the town manager in Abington, Massachusetts, before taking on the role in Meredith in 2009. Prior to his work as a town manager, Warren occupied the roles of tax collector, treasurer and assistant to a town manager in various communities. All in all, Warren has worked in municipal government since 1996.

"He's been overall a good town manager," James reflected. "He's on top of things, he's been very good."

Warren's last day as Meredith's town manager is April 28. In the meantime, the selectboard will start the process of hiring a replacement.

"We're potentially putting an ad in the paper tomorrow after we finalize the job description tonight," James said on Monday, stating that the town will likely rely on an interim manager during the potentially months-long candidate search.

"I wouldn't be surprised that we don't have a brand new one 'till June. There's a process to look for candidates," James said, creating an example scenario. "Say you hire somebody that came from Rochester. He accepts the job, he's gonna give you a two- to three-months notice, so you have to wait 2-3 months before he comes to

Falcons wide receiver suspended for bets on NFL games in 2021

ATLANTA (AP) — For endangering the integrity of the sport by betting on games, Atlanta Falcons wide receiver Calvin Ridley has been suspended by the NFL for at least the next season.

Ridley won't play in 2022 and there is no guarantee for the NFL future of the player who had been expected to be the Falcons' top target for quarterback Matt Ryan.

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell on Monday suspended Ridley after a league investigation determined Ridley bet on NFL games in 2021 while away from the team addressing mental health concerns. The league says the suspension will carry "through at least the conclusion of the

2022 season."

The NFL says the betting took place during a five-day period in late November 2021. Ridley was placed on the non-football illness list follow-

ing Week 8 last season, which ended Nov. 1.
Ridley wrote on his Twitter account on Monday
"I bet 1500 total I don't have a gambling problem."

you. It's not like the typical job where you give 2 weeks notice and go to the next job."

Despite this gap, James expressed confidence in an interim town manager to run things neatly until the final candidate is brought in.

When asked what he will miss most about the Lakes Region, Warren said it will be the people and the town he's called home for over a decade.

"It has been very rewarding working in Meredith," Warren said in an email. He continued, stating that he looks forward to "meeting the residents, elected and appointed officials and employees, and learning what Berlin wants for the future."

Laconia Police Log

LACONIA — Police handled 164 service calls between noon last Tuesday and noon last Friday.

Two people were arrested. Ruth S. Morley, 37, of Lyford Street, in Laconia, was arrested on breach of bail conditions.

Meya Minor, 24, of Academy Street, in Laconia, was arrested for driving without giving proof of financial responsibility, and driving after license

revocation or suspension.

Officers made 76 motor vehicle stops which resulted in 69 drivers being given written warnings, and four receiving verbal warnings. Traffic accidents on Belmont Road (Route 106), the Laconia Bypass, Main Street, and at the intersection of Union Avenue and Messer Street were investigated.

Police investigated reports of thefts on Pleasant Street, and on Academy Street.



Bristol's effort to bring high-speed internet to the region earns Best of Business Award

BRISTOL — Bristol's work to expand broadband internet access throughout the community and beyond has been recognized by New Hampshire Business Review as an Editor's Pick for the publication's 2022 Best Of Business Awards.

Bristol's recognition in the category, "Most inspi-

rational actions to expand broadband in rural NH," comes less than a year after the town launched local broadband service. In September 2021, the town officially "flipped the switch" on the Bristol Broadband Now network, a collaborative project years in the making, headed by the Bristol Economic Development Committee and Town Administrator Nicholas Coates. It came to fruition via a public-private partnership with eX2 Technology, which built the physical infrastructure for the fiber optic internet; Hub66, which is providing internet service to businesses and residents; and the University of New Hampshire, which is providing internet services to municipal buildings and for university level Research and Development.

"The lack of adequate internet service in New Hampshire's rural areas is something many towns like Bristol have to wrestle with," said Coates. "Our schools and businesses need the service today, and it is holding back communities from economic development planning for the future. I am honored the Business Review chose to recognize our efforts and highlight the urgent need for modern infrastructure

in our small towns.

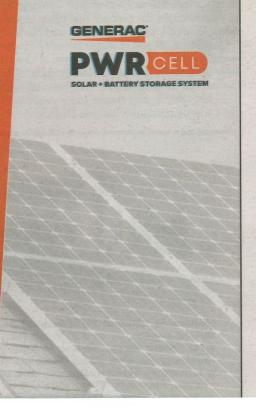
Siince the Bristol Broadband Now launch, the group has expanded its efforts to include more communities in Grafton County, seeking federal funding to build and upgrade the infrastructure to deliver fiber internet to more underserved communities. Phase 1 and 2 of the project provided 28 miles of coverage, which brought internet access to homes, schools, businesses and municipal buildings. Future rollouts are scheduled for this year and in 2023.

New Hampshire Business Review commended Bristol's effort, noting that the town "successfully implemented a municipal-owned build-out of fiber" to help Bristol and other rural New Hampshire communities gain access to high-speed broadband internet.

To read more about Bristol's efforts to expand broadband access, visit the BristolNHBusiness.com website and read, "Bristol Officially Launches Its High-Speed Internet Service."

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Another turnover on horizon for Gunsto

Belknap County Delegation sets meeting to consider new candidates for commission

By MICHAEL MORTENSEN THE LACONIA DAILY SUN

GILFORD - Hospitality entrepreneur Rusty McLear could well be off the Gunstock Area Commission soon, now that the Belknap County Delegation has scheduled a meeting for next month to consider applicants for his position on the five-member panel that oversees the operation of the county-owned recreation facility.

The delegation has scheduled a meeting for April 12, at 7 p.m. to "interview and appoint a new Gunstock Area Commissioner," according to a notice of the meeting posted on the county's website.

McLear was appointed to the commission on June 1, 2020, in what was described at the time as a five-year term, a duration that was reaffirmed six months later by delegation chairman, state Rep. Mike Sylvia.

But now Sylvia says that his state-

ment was "in error" and that when the delegation appointed McLear it should have only been for the five months remaining in the term of Stephan Nix who resigned before the completion of his term, which would expire in November 2020.

... you are not presently validly serving as a GAC commissioner, Sylvia stated in a letter to McLear dated March 16.

The commission met on Wednesday evening. McLear recused himself from speaking or voting at the meeting. Peter Ness was elected as chair of the commission.

The scheduled delegation meeting to select a new commissioner next month would make the third new commissioner named to the panel in six months.

Jade Wood was appointed last November, replacing Commissioner Russ Dumais. Last month Dr. David

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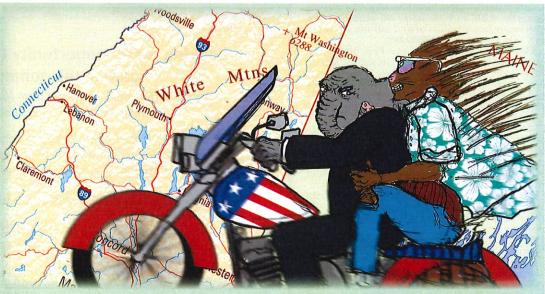
Who are the free staters?

By JON DECKER

CACR32, amendment calling for New Hampshire's independence from the United States, was shot down on the house floor two weeks ago, but the Libertarian and anti-federalist attitudes behind it are here to stay. The house voted to make the

amendment inexpedient to legislate in a 323-13 vote, effectively throttling the bill. Of the 13 members who voted in favor of CACR32, which would have put the question of secession to statewide vote, none were registered as members of the state's Libertarian party.

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Investigation into Belmont apartment fire concludes

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said. "They organize and get people going into the meetings. Even though we get a ton of signatures, no one shows up."

For new arrival Alex Lemp, who also attended the meet up, the ability to participate in local politics was essential to his decision to relocate from New York in 2021.

"Being in New York, I felt my politics couldn't do anything," Lemp said, "here I feel there's more

of a chance to make a difference.'

This ability to access local political power is a keystone in the strategy of the Free State Project, a non-profit organization started in 2001 with the goal of inviting more Libertarians to move to New Hampshire. The movement's website claims that FSP is not a political action organization, and does not endorse or oppose legislation.

"Its only mission is to bring liberty lovers to the state of New Hampshire," said Carla Greicke, President Emeritus of the Free State Project, "Once people are here they do all kinds of stuff. I think there's confusion. It's not all free staters

that are into independence."

"The Free State Project is not a monolith," Deshaies acknowledged. "There are free staters that are in the house that are productive and vote against the free state from time to time."

While not all free staters are pro-secession, Greicke sees an independent New Hampshire as a viable and desirable goal. "If it was an independent country, it would be four times the size of Iceland by population," Gericke said. "For me personally, I don't see much hope left with the federal government. I feel like they're pushing us into unconstitutional wars, decimating our economy. I think New Hampshire and Granite Staters would be better off without the yoke of the federal government around our necks."

The FSP traces its roots to the writings of founder Jason Sorens, a political scientist and director of the center for ethics and society at

Saint Anselm College.

"Jason Sorens wrote an essay in 2001 saying, 'Hey, Libertarians don't have success anywhere because we're geographically dispersed. What would happen if we were in one spot?" Gericke explained.

The essay called for people seeking smaller government to flock to the state of New Hampshire. In his initial essay, Sorens estimated that 20,000 such people moving to New Hampshire would be enough to seize some form of control over state government, so that more Liberatrian principles could be implemented across the state.

The FSP had a quota of 20,000 "pledges" meaning people could sign the pledge that they would move to the Granite State within five years.

The FSP website states that 19,888 people have signed the pledge and that there are over 6,000 free staters currently in New Hampshire, and that 45 free staters have been elected as representatives.

20 years on from its inception, Sorens is no longer a FSP board member and has publicly stated that he is not in favor of secession.

"Jason Sorens, he was the first person to use session not to leave the union, but to use it as leverage over the federal government," said Deshaies. "He disavowed that opinion, saying the idea attracted neo-fascists, neo-Confederates and fringe elements."

"I have expressed some concerns about that," Sorens said. "I think on the whole, the Free State Project has attracted desirable people who have reasonable views and conduct themselves well. But I am worried that the marketing message is appealing to some people who are maybe not sincere Libertarians and are just more contrarians and anti-government in their views."

As for secession being utilized as a leveraging tool against the federal government, Sorens con-

firmed that his opinion changed.

"The idea wasn't well thought out at that time, in a subsequent essay I abandoned that idea. I wrote a less often quoted update about two weeks later," in which he walked back from secession argument.

When asked about CACR32, Sorens stated he wasn't privy to the motivation of the sponsors. "My guess is they wanted to start a conversation on the issue," he said.

"The end goal is to have a government that is following the various constitutions that have been written," said Rep. Mike Sylvia, a Republican from Belmont, chair of the Belknap County Delegation and CACR32's primary sponsor. When asked what a free and sovereign New Hampshire nation would look like, such as government, and borders, Sylvia declined to provide any details. "You are looking for the answers from a central planner. I am not a central planner," Sylvia said. As for what comes after CACR32's defeat, Sylvia stated, "That's a good question. I suppose that in time, that will get answered."

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Homeowner in Gov. Island case could lose his house if he doesn't comply with judge's order

BY MICHAEL MORTENSEN
THE LACONIA DAILY SUN

LACONIA — A superior court judge has issued a forceful ruling in the decade-long legal battle between the Governors Island Club and one of its property owners who could potentially lose his house if he fails to abide by the judge's orders.

Superior Court Judge James D.

O'Neill III ordered Richard Homsi to remove out buildings on his lakeside property at 84 Summit Ave., and pay more than \$130,500 in fines and legal fees to the GIC, which is the homeowners' association for properties on Governors Island in Gilford, as well as 10 properties along Summit Avenue, in Laconia.

In his three-page ruling, issued Tuesday, O'Neill twice found Homsi in contempt of court, once for failing to submit periodic financial affidavits in accordance with court requirements, and again for failing to remove structures that he had erected on his property without prior approval from the GIC board.

O'Neill ordered Homsi to take down a Quonset hut-type structure, carports, and a shed and clean up the yard within 30 days. If Homsi fails to meet that deadline, the order allows the GIC to go onto Homsi's property, do the work itself and bill Homsi for the cost.

When Homsi had failed earlier to remove the prohibited structures, the judge last year levied a \$100-a-day fine for every day they remained beyond Sept. 17. O'Neill wrote that Homsi has 30 days to pay those fines which now total \$18,900.

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Gilford set to position itself as the foam recycling hub of the Lakes Region

Pilot program aims to demonstrate savings based on avoiding landfill costs

BY JON DECKER
THE LACONIA DAILY SUN

GILFORD — Gilford may soon be a hub of foam recycling if a proposed pilot program goes as planned. The town has been known for its recent efforts in recycling, and now hopes to add polystyrene foam to its roster of recyclable materials, hopefully raising capital for the town and saving on landfill costs.

"If you don't recycle foam, it's going into your trash and trailers and it's taking up space," explained Gilford's public works director Meghan Theriault. "You would save on hauling costs if you take out this space wasting foam."

Polystyrene, more commonly known by the brand name Styrofoam, is used in shipping packaging, forms of insulation and food containers like take out boxes and egg cartons. As a waste product, it takes up lots of valuable space in landfills and in transit, and it can take centuries to break down.

Theriault, along with Cindy Heath of the plastics portion of the New Hampshire Networking Group, are pushing for a program in which foam would be collected by rotary clubs across, and potentially beyond, the region. The accumulated foam would then be taken

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Gilford could be the hub of foam recycling in the Lakes Region thanks to a new pilot program and partnership. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun illustration)

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to Gilford, where a specialized machine will recycle the polystyrene into a marketable product.

Theriault just needs to get her hands on the machine first. Recently, the Gilford selectboard approved of Theriault's current pilot program, which would allow for a six-month trial run with a foam densifier built by a New Jersey-based company called Foam Cycle.

"It's a free pilot program," Theriault said. "They're going to give it to us for at least six months free. The unit itself is just under \$80,000 to purchase. We're very confident we can get some large grant funding. While doing the program, we are going to actively seek bigger funding, (such as) Rotary International or the foam recycling coalition. We're just going to have to apply for several grants."

Since gaining approval, Theriault has just one more minor hurdle to get the pilot program up

and running.

"Right now I have to get an electrical connection to the unit that's going to cost \$5,500."

The selectboard agreed to pay for half the amount, now Theriault is applying for grants to cover the rest with hopes of initiating the pilot program at the beginning of June.

"The pilot program, it's great to start," said Louis Troiano, the founder of Foam Cycle. "It gives the town a good half a year to run the system, not only the town, but everyone involved. It's something I've never witnessed before because it's a collaborative effort."

Troiano has a long history in the recycling business, and built his machine in response to what he calls "the Amazon effect," when home deliveries from the retail giant became increasingly common, and residents were left with lots of foam packaging.

"I developed this because in my customer base in Jersey, I was asked the same question, 'how do I recycle this large packaging foam?"

The answer was lots of heat.

"It doesn't break down on its initial input into a landfill. Where most materials can be compacted, foam just scatters, it doesn't densify. The only way to extrude the air is via heating, not through compression, which is what landfills do," Troiano explained. "The unit takes the foam, chops it up, heats it up and extrudes 98% air, and it extrudes the remaining plastic that's left into an ingot."

These ingots can be sold at a profit for about \$700-\$800 per ton, then recycled into a wide array of products from insulation to picture frames.

Selling sorted and recycled waste is nothing new for Gilford.

"A few years ago, in 2020, we opened a new solid waste recycling center. We went from solid stream to separate waste recycling," Theriault said, stating that by separating various forms of waste they were able to recycle and resell them as raw materials.

"We have a baler so we can bale and sell all of our products for revenue. Last year we made 50,000 in revenue, it's offsetting the cost of not processing it as trash, it would have cost \$35,000 to process as trash so net savings is about \$85,000."

However, due to the small amount of end product material, the proposed hub would need foam from beyond the town of Gilford to produce ingots.

"To make this successful, you have to have regional reach," Theriault added. "Gilford can't produce nearly enough foam to sell back, so we're hoping for a radius of 50 miles and work with rotary clubs and municipalities."

"We've been in conversation with the rotary district governors with New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont, as well as southern Quebec," said Cindy Heath, an organizer with the New Hampshire Network Group. "The vision is that we can create a system change in New Hampshire around recycling foam that would make it easy for the average person, businesses and institutions to recycle it."

While Gilford gets the benefit of selling the recycled ingots, surrounding communities that participate could save on waste processing and landfill costs by off loading their foam.

According to Heath, the idea has received warm reception.

"It's a bipartisan initiative, we've had a great response from the community level," she said.

This also isn't Troiano's first rodeo. He has machines set up in five locations across the country, and has worked with municipalities before. The device in Gilford, however, would be the first in New Hampshire.

"If we start these little fires so to speak, that's how we get the rest of the state," Troiano said. "I don't have any in Massachusetts, high population states that are supposedly 'green,' little New Hampshire is gonna show them what to do."





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Employers' input sought in regional housing needs survey

Planning commissions seek their help in gauging current, future needs

By JEFF FEINGOLD

NH BUSINESS REVIEW

The state's nine regional planning commissions are conducting an online survey of New Hampshire employers as part of their effort to draft a regional housing needs assessment. The survey is a key part of their effort, the commissions say, as they work to understand the impact of housing availability, cost and quality on the ability of businesses to attract and retain employees will be a critical component of the project.

The goal of surveying employers is

to help gauge current housing trends and better understand needs to plan for future housing options that meet the demand of all New Hampshire residents, officials said.

The regional housing needs assessment is a multi-faceted project conducted in partnership with the New Hampshire Office of Planning and Development and is funded through American Rescue Plan Act funds.

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Glenn and Angela Smith, from the Lakes Region of New Hampshire, become the latest Lakefront Living Realty partner to showcase their spectacular lakes to a nationwide audience.



Meredith, NH, March 31, 2022 --(PR.com)-- New Hampshire is home to nearly 1,000 lakes and they are some of the cleanest and healthiest in the country. The lakes are a major attraction for visitors and residents. Popular uses of most lakes include swimming, boating, and fishing. Lakes in New Hampshire typically freeze during the winter. Popular winter lake activities include ice-fishing, ice-skating, and cross-country skiing.

"There are 273 lakes and ponds in the NH Lakes Region alone," said Scott Freerksen, CEO of Lakefront Living International, "we're honored to have Glenn and Angela's passion represented in this area."

The entire state of New Hampshire is being Franchised by NH Broker, Glenn Smith and his wife, Angela Smith, also a Realtor. Although born and raised in Massachusetts, Glenn thought of New Hampshire's Lakes Region as "home." He came to the Center Harbor area as a child where his family acted as caretakers of the Arbor Cabins. Every year, the day after school got out for summer break, the family packed up and came north to enjoy long fun filled days at "the lake." Those memories stayed with him throughout his real estate career.

"Being an avid boater and fisherman has allowed me to develop a great respect and knowledge of the lakes and surrounding towns," said Glenn Smith, now Broker of Lakefront Living Realty — The Smith Group, "it's been a real pleasure introducing hundreds of clients to this beautiful area."

Lake Winnipesaukee is the largest lake in the state at 72 square miles and is located at the foothills of the White Mountains. It contains more than 200 miles of shoreline and 274 habitable islands.

Newfound Lake, which some say is among the cleanest in the world, is 4,106 acres in size and is considered one of the deepest lakes in New Hampshire (183-feet deep at one point). This pristine lake is about two and a half miles wide and seven miles in length.

"Squam Lake, the film site for 'On Golden Pond,' is known as one of the most peaceful and pristine in the country and offers visitors plenty of opportunity to enjoy its natural beauty," said Angela Smith, Partner of Lakefront Living Realty – The Smith Group. "Big and Little Squam lakes are naturally spring fed and connected by a channel in Holderness. Big Squam is 6 miles long, 4 miles wide and 98 feet deep."

Lakefront property prices in New Hampshire are as diverse as the properties themselves. Buyers can find land for sale on smaller lakes for \$150,000, and mansions on Lake Winnipesaukee for up to \$10,000,000.

Glenn and Angela can also connect NH lake home buyers with HGTV's popular Lakefront Bargain Hunt show, now in its 8th year of production.

"The lakes and homes of New Hampshire are already populated on our LakefrontLiving.com website," said Christine Mosier, COO of Lakefront Living International, "We're thrilled to have Glenn and Angela represent Lakefront Living Realty as we continue to grow and offer the most passionate specialists in the country."

LakefrontLiving.com displays all the homes for sale on the lakes it covers, not just the listings of any particular Broker, making it a one-stop shop for interested buyers. And unlike many real estate syndication sites on the web today, the site is always 100% accurate. In addition, the site provides the important details of the lakes themselves, ensuring buyers make informed and educated decisions.

Interested buyers and seller can learn more about New Hampshire lakes and homes by contacting Glenn Smith at 603-233-7226 or Angela Smith at 508-954-5666.

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Peabody Home in Franklin, NH, Opens New Facility Funded by \$26 Million USDA Rural Development Loan

Ceremony to Mark Phase 1 Completion of Expanded, Modernized Building

FRANKLIN, N.H., March 31, 2022 – Today, Sarah Waring, State Director of <u>USDA Rural Development (RD)</u> in New Hampshire and Vermont, is pleased to announce the official ribbon-cutting for the new Peabody Home care facility in downtown Franklin. <u>RD helped fund the construction in 2020 with \$26 million in loans for upgrades and expansion</u>. Stakeholders on hand to mark the completion of the first of two buildouts include Johanna Brown, Mayor of Franklin; Chris Seufert, President of the Peabody Home Board of Managers; Pierre LeBlanc, CEO of Engelberth Construction; and Eric Law, RD Community Programs Director. The ceremony will commence at 2:00pm EST at 24 Peabody Place.

"Across rural American today, the scarcity of long-term care facilities causes hardships for individuals and for families," said Waring. "Seniors throughout New Hampshire need living options that support their dignity, health and well-being, like this innovative expansion of the Peabody Place that is now opening its doors to residents. We are proud of the USDA's \$26 million dollar investment in this crucial project, which exemplifies the Biden-Harris Administration's commitment to improve the quality of life for rural residents by strengthening their communities."

Expanding on the professional services Peabody Home offers, the completed facility will accommodate three levels of care: independent living, assisted living and memory care. Featured elements include a 24-hour emergency response system, personal transportation services, a beauty and barber shop and an exercise-and-wellness room.

Located in downtown Franklin along the Winnipesaukee River, the Peabody Home has operated as a nursing home since the 1940s and has earned a stellar reputation among residents, staff, family members and the Franklin community. Parts of the city are designated Opportunity Zones as defined by the U.S. Department of the Treasury: low-to-medium-income areas that encourage economic development by incentivizing investment. Once complete, the Peabody Home project will create 8 new jobs and maintain 27 established positions.

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