

**Meeting Location:** Wolfeboro Town Hall 84 South Main St. Wolfeboro, NH

**AGENDA** 

Time: 8:00 AM-9:30 AM Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2024

Committee Members: Lucy Van Cleve (Chair), Barry Elliott (Co-Chair), Carrie Duran, Kathy Fairman, Jeremy Roberge, Liz Baker McClain, Cindy Fournier, Mary Devries (Alternate), Gretchen Gandini, Brian Deshaies (BOS Representative), Linda Murray (BOS Representative alternate).

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#### Call to order - Meeting Begins (Lucy)

Consideration of minutes from January 16, 2023 Need Motion Add: Short Term rental brochure

#### Updates (Barry/ Lucy)

- Housing Seminar Update (Carrie)
- Budget 2024 (Linda Murray)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lake Winni Day
  - Sponsorship Sheet
  - o Food Trucks
  - o Restrooms
  - Layout

#### Newsletter/ Social Media (Full Committee)

- EDC Newsletter (Cindy/Lucy) Check your spam!!! Most went to spam
- Database anyone want to add people to our list?

#### Other Business- Need Motion

- SBA Listen Learn and Collaborate (Jack w/ WEDCO)
- Parks and rec job fair
- 2024 Advertising

Town Planner Update (Tavis)

Board of Selectman Update (Linda/ Brian)

Chamber Update (Mary)

#### **Upcoming Meetings, Events**

Next meeting March 19, 2024 - 8 am Wolfeboro Town Hall (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month)

Other Business/ Adjourn - Need Motion

#### Wolfeboro Economic Development Committee Minutes of 1/16/24 Monthly Meeting Great Hall, Wolfeboro Town Hall

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Lucy Van Cleve called the meeting to order at 8:05

**Present:** Chairman Lucy Van Cleve, Vice- Chair Barry Elliott, Members Gretchen Gandini, Carrie Duran, Kathy Fairman, and Brian Deshaies, BOS (Board of Selectmen) representative; Alternates Mary DeVries and Selectman Linda Murray, BOS alternate.

Staff Present: Planning and Development Director Tavis Austin joined at 9:00

**Absent:** Members: Cindy Fournier, Liz Baker McClain and Jeremy Roberge, Recording Secretary ??

Kathy Fairman agreed to take minutes.

#### **Consideration of November 21 Meeting Minutes**

L. Van Cleve moved to accept the minutes, B Elliott seconded, and the motion passed 5-0. K. Fairman, G. Gandini and B. Deshaies abstained as they were not present at the November meeting.

#### **Housing Seminar Update**

C Duran provided a summary of the event entitled "Housing Education Summit – Bringing our Community together to learn and collaborate on solutions to the housing crisis in Wolfeboro." (ATTACHED)

She suggested the event be delayed from the spring to the fall because of pending State legislation related to the issue.

L. Murray noted that the Wolfeboro Planning Board begins its work in the Fall on possible zoning/planning amendments for proposal at the following Town Meeting so any event would have to be held in September to be implemented in 2025.

After discussion, it was agreed to still hold the event in the Spring so recommendations would be ready for the Planning Board by Fall.

Discussion also focused on the wording "Housing Crisis." After reviewing comments from local businesses made at the 2023 Wolfeboro Planning Board's Housing Forum and at the EDC's 2023 RECAP regarding how the lack of housing, especially affordable housing, contributes to the shortage of workers, it was agreed "Housing Crisis" was an appropriate description of the situation.

It was suggested that in gathering information for the Summit, the Housing Summit Planning Committee should seek out examples of what other NH communities have done especially regarding short term rental regulation.

The 2014 Business Retention and Expansion Report was another source suggested.

Selectman L Murray reported on the impending closing of Hope House on Lehner Street established by Families in Transition to provide temporary housing and assistance to homeless families with children in the Governor Wentworth Regional School District.

K. Fairman moved that the EDC vote to have Chair Lucy Van Cleve send a letter to the Board of Selectmen indicating that the EDC supports the BOS working with Families in Transition to maintain the original mission of Hope House. C. Duran seconded the motion, which massed unanimously.

#### Last Night Update

Selectman L. Murray, chairman of the EDC Last Night Committee reported that about 1500 people attended the series of events which began at 11:30 am and concluded with Fireworks at 6 pm on December 31. \$5950 was raised through private sponsorships to cover expenses. A variety of activities and entertainment took place at: Estabrook Hall on Brewster Academy, First Congregational Church, 115 South Main Street, Wolfeboro Railroad Station, Pop Whalen Ice Arena and in the Great Hall at Wolfeboro Town Hall.

#### Third Annual Lake Winnipesaukee Day Update

This special event is scheduled for Friday, August 9, 2024. The Mount and The Dive are confirmed to participate.

#### **EDC Newsletter/Social Media Update**

The EDC Newsletter will be emailed soon. L. Van Cleve is looking for more winter events to include.

#### **Board of Selectmen Update**

Selectmen L. Murray and Brian Deshaies touched on the 2024 Town Budget which they anticipate will show an increase over 2023, primarily because of negotiated contracts with town employees and debt service on building projects approved in prior years.

Special Warrant Articles pertain to the town's Ambulance Service and Port Wedeln Water Quality protection

#### Wolfeboro Area Chamber of Commerce Update

Director M. DeVries reported that the Chamber is holding a Winter Seminar Series: January (Cost Cutting), February (Canva) and March (IA and Social Media Marketing.)

The next EDC Meeting will be held on February 20, at 8 AM in the Great Hall.

B. Elliott made a motion to adjourn at 9:35. M DeVries seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted



# 2024 Sponsorship Opportunities Inaugural Lake Winnipesaukee Day

August 9, 2024
Wolfeboro Town Docks, parking lot and Cate Park
5 pm – 10 pm

An event in support of "Looking after our Lakes" supporting any and all who invest in environmental security and maintaining the water quality of our area lakes so we can welcome tourists, guests and locals for many years to come.

#### Captain Sponsor - \$1,001 - \$2,000

- Logo on all printed and digital materials listed as "Presenting Sponsor" with web link to your business
- Numerous mentions on social media and listed as a "Presenting Sponsor" with link to your website

#### First Mate Sponsor - \$501 - \$1,000

- Your logo on limited printed and digital materials
- Limited mentions on social media

#### Bosun Sponsor - up to \$500

Business name on printed and digital materials

The evening will have retail and food vendors in the downtown parking lot, the Mount Washington and her sister boat the Spirit docked. The Mount will sell dinner tickets and have a variety of entertainment on board. People may board and dine or board and listen to music. The Spirit will be docked and have a cash bar available. Local restaurants and food trucks will be selling food. We will close the evening with an amazing laser light show!



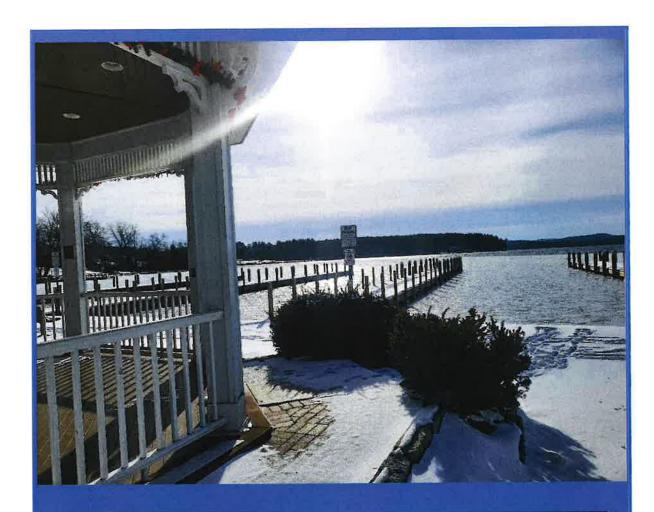
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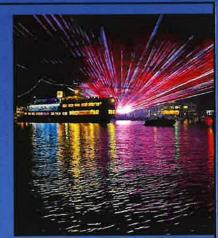
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#### Hello Kathy,

Welcome to our first EDC Newsletter. We are excited to send this letter out to you quarterly. We welcome your feedback. Don't hesitate to reach out with any input and questions.

Happy Winter!





Lake Winnipesaukee Day



#### Winter Favorite Activities:

Pond Hockey Classic
February 2nd-4th, 2024
www.pondhockeyclassic.com/newengl
and

# Mark your calendars! Friday, August 9, 2024

For sponsorship information email us at EDC@WolfeboboNH.

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## Thank you to our 2023 Sponsors

J Clifton Avery, Lewis Property Maintenance, Wolfeboro Corinthian yacht, Wolfeboro Dock Company, LocalTopia/ Wicked Loon, Clean Cut Construction LLC, Nancy Hirsberg, Taylor Community, Leone McDonnell and Roberts, Walker Varney, Winni Paw Station Inc., Eastern Propane/ Paint Winni, Maxfield/ Island Real Estate, and NHD

Rotary Ice Fishing Derby February 10 & 11 2024 www.icefishingnh.com

Chill On The Hill Saturday, March 9, 2024 Inn on Main

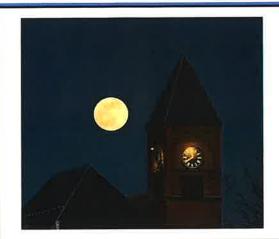
Week Long St. Patrick's Festivities
March 10-17, 2024
Morrisseys' Porch and Pub
<a href="https://www.facebook.com/morrisseysfrontporch">https://www.facebook.com/morrisseysfrontporch</a>

So many fun winter activities: www.wolfeborochamber.com/events

www.wolfeboronh.us/parks-recreeation

www.wolfeborolibrary.org/eventcalendar

www.TheLaker.com/events



#### Town Business...

When do we vote? What are we voting on? When are town meetings? Click here to find out!

**VIEW DETAILS** 

We are here to help with the economic development of our community.

You are welcome to contact us with questions about starting a business, zoning or planning questions, chamber events, community events, coting or taxes! Whatever it may be, you can start here!



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Have a question?? Email: EDC@wolfeboronh.us

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New Hampshire Small Business Administration 55 Pleasant St, Concord, NH

# Wolfeboro Connects: A Listen, Learn and Collaborate Session

- 1. Welcome and Introductions brief overview of the purpose of the Listening Session
- 2. Overview of Current Economic Landscape in Wolfeboro and other nearby towns. Discussion on strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats

  10 minutes from each town ED
- 3. What are the Challenges and Barriers that business owners are facing.
- 4. Collaboration Opportunities.
- 5. Closing Remarks.

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# New Hampshire Co-op

#### SPECIAL ADVERTISING SECTION

RESERVATIONS 3/12/2024 | MATERIALS 3/14/2024 | IN-HOME 5/4/2024



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Average trips anticipated in the next 12 months

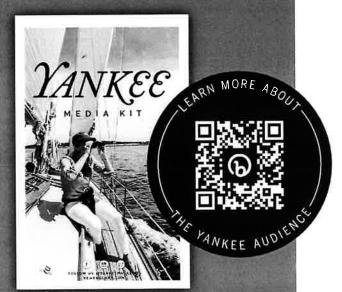
93%

of readers love doing research on a location before travel (MRI 114)

YANKEE READERS SPENT

**64% MORE** 

on travel than the average magazine reader in the past 12 months



NH Division of Travel & Tourism is offering you an affordable way to connect with Yankee's engaged audience this summer.



This eight-page New Hampshire advertising section offers a strong presence in *Yankee's May/June* issue and two high-impact text ads in our New England Today e-newsletters!

#### PACKAGE RATES

2" UNIT (2 1/8" x 1 7/8") | \$400 NET 1/6 VERTICAL UNIT (2 1/8" x 3 7/8") | \$800 NET 1/6 HORIZONTAL UNIT (4 1/2" x 1 7/8") | \$800 NET

All program participants will receive 2 New England Today text ads scheduled in May-June 2024 time period

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