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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Quarterly E-Newsletter

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THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON NEW HAMPSHIRE

"A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions and the roots spring up and make new trees" - Fredrick William Faber Our goal is to provide useful information to existing and potential business owners and the community as a whole while keeping residents connected with various local happenings. This quarterly publication will be sent out via email and posted to the Economic Development Committee's webpage. Sign up HERE to receive a newsletter via email!

-The Farmington Economic Development Committee

Photo courtesy of Butternut Farm Spring Cider Social (see article on page 3)

Farmington in Bloom!



We are thrilled to announce the Farmington Parks and Recreation Department has taken over the adopt-a-spot program here in town.

With a generous donation from the Farmington Women's Club and support from our community, we look forward to making these spots noticeable and even more beautiful.

If you or your business is interested in adopting and maintaining your own spot with flowers and care. We have a list of locations available and would love your participation. Let's give this town curb appeal and beauty that it truly deserves, one spot at a time!

Please contact the Farmington Parks and Recreation department directly for more information:

Phone: 603-755-2405 Email: Erica Rogers at <u>erogers@farmington.nh.us</u> Adopt-A-Spot is a volunteer program for individuals, groups and businesses that want to take pride and ownership in a part of Farmington, New Hampshire!

Benefits include:

- Beautification of Farmington
- Help to control litter
- Engaging your family, friends, coworkers, or team in serving your community
- Add curb appeal to your community or business
- Fostering community pride



The Town of Farmington (the "Town") is seeking Request for Proposals ("RFP") from Real Estate Developers to purchase and develop 381 Main Street, Farmington, NH, 03835, Assessor Map U06, Lots 23, 24, and 25.

The property includes three parcels and consists of 1.7 acres of land with access to both Main Street and Garfield Street, existing sidewalks, and a nearby crosswalk that provides safe, pedestrian access to the downtown. The Town considers the property to be in a premium location as a gateway into the downtown core that offers a unique blend of mixed-use or commercial development opportunities.



Unique property highlights include:

- Premium location on Main Street within walking distance to a growing downtown core that includes professional offices, local eateries, nonprofits, retail, commercial spaces and a mixture of housing types; the Library; Town Hall; the Parks and Recreation Department; and Post Office.
- A COAST (Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation) bus stop and shelter that provides public transit opportunities to and from Rochester.
- Zoned for several housing options, including single family, two-family, and multi-family residential and mixed use, as well as a variety of commercial uses.
- Serviced by municipal water and sewer.
- Phase I Environmental Site Assessment performed in 2022.
- Recent zoning amendments allow for increased residential density.

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Cheers to Local Business!

Butternut Farm

Butternut Farm is a family friendly, family run, pick-your-own fruit farm featuring its very own Hard Cider. Located at 195 Meaderboro Road in Farmington, New Hampshire, Butternut Farm is into their 19th season here. Today Butternut Farm grows cherries, strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, peaches, pumpkins and apples. The on-site Cider House offers fresh baked cider donuts, locally made pies, and their very own hard cider for both tastings and growler fills so you can take some home. With hard cider production in the basement and a tasting room on the first floor, the cider house was designed to make amazing small batch craft hard cider! Fermenting takes place over the winter season and cider is ready for customers starting each Spring. All last season's favorites are available plus some new blends.

On Saturday, May 13th Butternut Farm teamed up with the New England Apple Association for the first ever Spring Cider Social, a one-day celebration of New Hampshire apples and agriculture, including cider tastings of Butternut Farm's blends and they also featured other regional offerings like Farnum Hill Ciders, Bird Dog Ciders, North Country Hard Cider, and Hermit Woods Winery; presentations on applegrowing and cider-making; kid's activities; a farmers market with Meadowview Sugarhouse, Sanborn Hope Farm, and SeaBee Honey; as well as arts and crafts by Carrie Tazbir and CEI Designs. Food provided by Hot Mess Poutine and The Pink House. The event was a huge hit and we hope this will become an annual happening in the community!

Owners Giff and Mae Burnap look forward to many more years of providing a great place for their customers to come and pick their fresh fruit, and try their crafted hard ciders. The strawberry picking season has officially begun and so has expanded business hours at Butternut Farm for the summer season. Be sure to check out their <u>website</u> for more information and don't forget to follow along on <u>facebook</u>!







Photos courtesy of Butternut Farm

Image above from Annual Spring Cider Social

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New England

Cameron's Home and Garden Center

Cameron's was founded in 1924 by Al Cameron who started one of New England's first sod producing companies. While the sod business continued to grow, the company expanded its business into areas that today include hydro-seeding and commercial landscape installation throughout New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Southern Maine. Seeing the need in the area for a home and garden center, Cameron's expanded its Rt. 11 location and opened a garden center and hardware store.

Cameron's has a fully stocked lumber yard (many of which were cut right at our own sawmill), full-service building supply, and bulk materials such as loam, mulch, compost, sand, stone, and other aggregate mixes. Cameron's also provides delivery to most locations. Cameron's Garden Center provides personal service and expertise to help you with your gardening needs year-round.

Through hard work, long hours, and a commitment to quality, this 3rd generation family-owned business has succeeded in providing superior service to customers.

Check their <u>website</u> for more information and don't forget to follow along on <u>facebook</u>!

Photos courtesy of Cameron's Home and Garden Center

CAMERON'S

Since 1924



Pearson's Greenhouse

Since 1967 <u>Pearson's Greenhouse</u> has been a local, family-owned greenhouse business. Pearson's Greenhouses have been passed down along several generations. Their goal is to grow beautiful plants for the neighboring communities.

Check out their incredible selection of perennials, annuals, vegetables, and herbs all season long. Pearson's Greenhouses is open daily from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Pearson's Greenhouses is located at 695 Rt 11, Farmington, New Hampshire, and their wholesale location is located at 450 Muchado Hill Road, Alton, NH 03809 which is open daily at 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Check their website and don't forget to follow along on facebook!



Photos courtesy of Pearson's Greenhouses

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Farmington Happenings

HAY DAY 2023

The annual Hay Day will occur on Saturday, August 19th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in downtown Farmington, New Hampshire. This year's much anticipated event will be full of fun with food trucks, craft vendors, games including a corn hole tournament, car show, live music and fireworks. Don't miss this special event!

Calling all Vendors!

Vendors can sign-up by contacting the Recreation Department by calling 603-755-2405, or email: ERogers@farmington.nh.us or RoslynnNikole@gmail.com. Refundable deposit available! SATURDAY AUGUST 19 10 A.M. - 3 P.M. Food Trucks Graft Vendors Games Live Musig Treworks Start at 9:15 p.m.



Photos courtesy of the Farmington Recreation Department

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FARMINGTON FARMER'S MARKET

SHOP LOCAL!

Farmer's Markets!

This season's Farmington Farmer's Market began on May 13th and will continue every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at First Congregational Church located at 400 Main Street, Farmington, New Hampshire 03835 (weather permitting). Additional parking is available behind Goodwin Library.

MOOSE MOUNTAINS FARMERS MARKET

PRESENTED BY EXPLORE MOOSE MOUNTAINS HOSTED AT BRANCH HILL FARM 307 APPLEBEE ROAD, MILTON MILLS NH

MOOSE GROWN. MOOSE MADE. MOOSE GOOD.

2023 Season June 9 + 23 July 7 + 21 Aug 4 + 18 Sept 1





The Moose Mountains Farmers market is intended to provide a positive, affordable market opportunity to local growers, farmers,

makers, artists, food trucks & organizations in the Moose Mountains Region. Explore Moose Mountains defines the region as the towns of Brookfield, Farmington, Middleton, Milton, New Durham, Wakefield & Wolfeboro, New Hampshire. Other businesses & organizations from neighboring communities including across the border in Maine are also welcome.

BUILDING BLOCKS

Business Resources

- <u>Strafford Regional Planning Commission Development</u>
- <u>SRPC Economic Development Resources</u>
- Farmington NH Master Plan
- Farmington NH Business Resource Page
- NH Small Business Development Center

STAY CONNECTED!

The Economic Development Committee meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Municipal Building at 365 Main Street. Come join us or visit our webpage.

CALL-TO-ACTION:

Seeking artists, muralists and builders for future projects! Please email us at: FarmingtonEDC@gmail.com

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