



TOWN OF BOW

Business Development Commission

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BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

February 4, 2026

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6 The Town of Bow Business Development Commission held a scheduled regular meeting on
 7 Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at 7:30 a.m. at the Municipal Building in Meeting Room C.

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9 BDC Members participating were Wendy Gazaway, Don Berube, Andy Foote, Dan Thomas, and Phil
 10 Brogan. Also participating, Town Manager David Stack, Community Development Director Karri
 11 Makinen and prospective member Brandyn Boynton. Excused were Chair William Hickey, BOS
 12 Representative Ian Flanagan, Secretary Cody Herrick, John Meissner, Police Chief Ken Miller and Fire
 13 Chief Dennis Comeau.

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15 At 7:30 a.m., Acting Chair Wendy Gazaway called the meeting to order and welcomed Sabrina
 16 Costabile, President and Principal Consultant, and Amy Farina, Operations Manager and QMS
 17 Consultant, of the NH Manufacturing Alliance (NHMA). The Business Development Commission
 18 members introduced themselves.

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20 1. Sabrina Costabile – NH Manufacturing Alliance

- 21 • Ms. Costabile gave an overview of the history and mission of the NHMA
 - 22 ○ She was formerly a consultant for the NH Manufacturing Extension Partnership
 (MEP), but they recently closed due to loss of federal funding
 - 23 ○ Ms. Costabile then started NHMA on Route 3-A in Bow
 - 24 ○ Created 6 jobs
 - 25 ○ NHMA provides training and consulting services for manufacturers including
 assistance with certifications and workforce development
- 26 • Discussion of State incentive programs
 - 27 ○ WorkInvest NH
 - 28 ○ Economic Revitalization Zones (ERZs)
- 29 • Mr. Thomas asked about the cost effectiveness and return on investment for their services,
 specifically for small businesses. Ms. Costabile responded that the MEP collected this data
 for many years and they could provide similar information
- 30 • NHMA holds monthly Lunch & Learn events with subject matter experts
- 31 • Bow Manufacturing Night
 - 32 ○ Partnership between NHMA and BDC
 - 33 ○ Manufacturing-focused, but all businesses are welcome
 - 34 ○ NHMA will provide raffle prizes
 - 35 ○ Clients will share success stories
 - 36 ○ Tentative date- March 25, 2026 5-7 PM

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42 2. Approval of Minutes – 11/5/2025 and 12/3/2025

- 43 • The November 5, 2025 and December 3, 2025 meeting minutes were tabled to the March 4,
 44 2026 meeting.

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47 **3. Review Project Task List**

48 • Intersection plans for Dow Road/Route 3-A intersection have been approved by NHDOT and
49 the developer has requested a meeting with the Bow Business Corridor TIF District Advisory
50 Board to discuss funding.

51 • Hoptimystic Brewing has submitted a request for a minor modification to their approved site
52 plan to adjust the layout for Phase I. It is anticipated that the beer garden will be open for the
53 2026 season.

54 • The Colby properties on Logging Hill Road have sold to 12 Logging Hill, LLC and their intent
55 to cut timber has been issued. No development plans have been filed to date.

56 • Merrimack County Savings Bank has offered to host another Business to Business event. Staff
57 will coordinate an event for the fall.

58 • A warrant article has been drafted for the Bow-Concord water interconnection to serve Bow
59 Junction. The total appropriation is \$4,000,000, with \$1,500,000 to be funded from the
60 Emerging Contaminants Grant Program, \$305,101 from the NHDES Drinking Water State
61 Revolving Fund (with 100% forgiveness at project completion), and the remaining \$2,194,899
62 from the Bow Business Corridor TIF District Fund. The project would be contingent on
63 reaching an acceptable agreement with the City of Concord.

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65 **4. Reports from Town Boards and Committees**

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68 **5. Other Business**

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70 **Adjournment**

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72 *A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Berube to adjourn the meeting and the motion*
73 *carried by a 5-0 vote of the Commission.*

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75 The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 a.m.

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77 Respectfully submitted,

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79 Cody Herrick,

80 Secretary