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AGENDA

DURHAM TOWN COUNCIL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2020
DURHAM TOWN HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 PM

NOTE: *The Town of Durham requires 48 hours notice if special communication aids are needed.*

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of Agenda**
- III. Special Announcement**
Remembering the late Dr. Kenneth (Kenny) Rotner and officially declaring his vacancy on the Durham Town Council
- IV. Selection of Chair Pro Tem**
- V. Filling Vacancy in the Office of Councilor**
Discussion and possible action to appoint a Durham resident to replace Kenny Rotner on the Durham Town Council
- VI. Public Comments (*)**
- VII. Approval of Minutes – August 3, 2020**
- VIII. Councilor and Town Administrator Roundtable**
- IX. Report from the UNH Student Senate External Affairs Chair or Designee**
- X. Unanimous Consent Agenda** *(Requires unanimous approval. Individual items may be removed by any councilor for separate discussion and vote)*
 - A. Shall the Town Council, upon recommendation of the Administrator, award a construction contract for the Thompson Lane Bridge Project to Hansen Bridge, LLC of Springfield, NH for the contract price of \$238,396 and authorize the Administrator to sign associated documents?
 - B. Shall the Town Council schedule a Public Hearing for Monday October 5, 2020, on a resolution to accept and expend unanticipated grant funds totaling \$80,000 to be used toward the Orchard Drive / Thompson Lane Pedestrian Bridge Over the Oyster River?

- C. Shall the Town Council Schedule a Public Hearing for Monday, October 15, 2020 on a resolution to name the Thompson Lane Bridge after the late Dr. Kenny Rotner in accordance with Resolution #2002-13 for naming public facilities after citizens who have made lasting contributions to the community?
- D. **RESOLUTION 2020-18** authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of CARES Act grant funds in an amount up to \$34,921.86 and authorizing the Administrator to sign and submit the SOS Election Assistance CARES Grant Agreement on behalf of the Town of Durham
- E. Shall the Town Council grant an extension to the Planning Board on its review of a proposed Council-initiated Zoning Ordinance amendment, Ordinance #2020-10, with said extension to go until October 28, 2020?
- F. Shall the Town Council accept the recommendation of the Town Assessor relative to the FY 2019 property tax abatement for PREFCO XXV, Ltd. Partnership, 121 Technology Drive?

XI. Committee Appointments

Shall the Town Council appoint James Tobias, 107 Madbury Road, as an alternate member to the Trustees of Trust Funds?

XII. Presentation Items - None

XIII. Unfinished Business

- A. **PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ON ORDINANCE #2020-12** creating a new Chapter, Chapter 71, titled “Horses on Town Trails” within the Durham Town Code prohibiting horses from traversing trails designed for pedestrian activity within the Town of Durham
- B. Continued discussion regarding the use of fireworks within the Town of Durham

XIV. New Business

- A. Shall the Town Council appoint Council representatives to replace the late Kenny Rotner’s vacancies on the Parks & Recreation Committee and the Land Stewardship Subcommittee?
- B. Other Business

XV. Nonpublic Session (if required)

XVI. Extended Councilor and Town Administrator Roundtable (if required)

XVII. Adjourn (NLT 10:30 PM)

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