



TOWN OF DURHAM

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NOTICE: Although members of the Town Council will be meeting in the Council chambers, the Council meetings are still available for members of the public to participate via Zoom or in person.

AGENDA

DURHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023

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. Town Council grants permission for fewer than a majority of Councilors to participate remotely
- III. Roll Call of Members. Those members participating remotely state why it is not reasonably practical for them to attend the meeting in person
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Special Announcements
- VI. Public Comments (*) – **Please state your name and address before speaking**
- VII. Approval of Minutes – November 7, 2022, November 14, 2022 & January 9, 2023
- VIII. Councilor and Town Administrator Roundtable
- VIX. 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 accept the recommendations of the Town Assessor and Administrator relative to FY 2022 Property Tax abatement requests in the total amount of \$3,186.71?
 - B. Shall the Town Council adopt Resolution #2023-02 to amend Resolution #2017-26 to increase membership on the Human Rights Commission from five (5) to seven (7) with the composition to be as follows - the Administrator, the Town Council Chair, the Business Manager, and four (4) citizens who are residents of Durham – and to create terms of service of three (3) years for the Citizen Members with the terms to expire on a staggered basis.

- C. Shall the Town Council adopt a new charge for the Durham Housing Task Force, acknowledge that the current five members will remain on the task force and appoint five new members?
- D. Shall the Town Council Approve an Amendment to the previously adopted Durham Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan?
- E. Shall the Town Council hold a **First Reading on Ordinance #2023-02** Amending Chapter 132 “Tax Exemptions and Credits”, Section 132-5 Veterans’ Tax Credit” of the Durham Town Code, Re-Adopting the Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit in the Amount of \$500.00, and **set a public hearing date of February 20, 2023?**

XI. Committee Appointments –

- A. Shall the Town Council, upon recommendation of the Planning Board Chair, appoint Peyton McManus, 54 Ross Road, to fill an alternate vacancy on the Planning Board with a term expiration date of April 2025?
- B. Shall the Town Council, upon recommendation of the Parks & Recreation Committee Chair, appoint Erin Guyotte, 14A Old Landing Road, to fill an alternate member vacancy on the Parks & Recreation Committee with a term expiration of April 30, 2024?
- C. Shall the Town Council Nominate Resident Michael Sullivan for Reappointment by the NHDES Commissioner as Durham’s Representative to the Oyster River Local Advisory Committee?
- D. Shall the Town Council, upon recommendation of the Housing Task Force Chair, appoint Michael Saputo, Cathy A. Frierson, Judith Spang, Eileen E. Murphy, and Sally Tobias as Citizen Representatives to the Housing Task Force, and appoint Chuck Hotchkiss, as the Town Council Representative once Sally Tobias’ term is completed?

XII. Presentation Items

- A. Introduction of Executive Councilor Joseph Kenney, District 1, and presentation on the function of the Executive Council.
- B. Update on the Oyster River Cooperative School District’s FY 2023/24 Budget Process – Dr. James Morse, Superintendent

XIII. Unfinished Business

- A. **Public Hearing and Action on Ordinance #2023-01** amending Section 175-7 “Definitions” adding a new section for Solar Energy Systems and adding a definition for Carport, amending the uses in the Table of Uses in Section 175-53 adding Solar Energy Systems, and amending Article XX “Standards for Specific Uses” Section 175-109 adding a section for Solar Energy Systems and re-lettering N “Temporary Sawmill”.

XIV. New Business

- A. Continue discussion and finalize the Administrator’s Annual Performance Evaluation for 2022 in accordance with the Employment Agreement between the Administrator and the Town of Durham
- C. Other Business

XV. Nonpublic Session (if required)

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

XVII. Adjourn (NLT 10:30 PM)

<p>(*) <i>The public comment portion of the Council meeting is to allow members of the public to address matters of public concern regarding town government for up to 5 minutes. Obscene, violent, disruptive, disorderly comments, or those likely to induce violence, disruption or disorder are not permitted and will not be tolerated. Complaints regarding Town staff should be directed to the Administrator.</i></p>
