



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.

DURHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024

DURHAM TOWN HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS

6:00 PM

IAW RSA 91-A:2 I: (a) Strategy or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining; and
(b) Consultation with legal counsel relative to the Durham Police Officer's Union N.E. Police Benevolent Association, Local 21, Collective Bargaining Unit contracts.

NOTE: *This meeting is not open to the public.*

AGENDA

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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. Report from the UNH Student Senate External Affairs Chair or Designee**
- VIII. Unanimous Consent Agenda** (*Requires unanimous approval. Individual items may be removed by any councilor for separate discussion and vote*)
- A. Shall the Town Council Approve the 2nd 2024 Warrant for Water and Sewer Totaling \$691,712.59 commit the bills for charges to the Tax Collector for collection, and authorize the Administrator to sign said warrant on its behalf?
 - B. Shall the Town Council upon recommendation by the Administrator, release the School Impact Fees collected, plus any accrued interest, to the Oyster River Cooperative School District to be used towards the Middle School bond payment?
 - C. Shall the Town Council accept the recommendations of the Town Assessor and Administrator relative to FY 2023 Property Tax abatement requests in the total amount of \$45,719.21?
 - D. Shall the Town Council, Upon Recommendation of the Administrator, Approve a Special Event Permit Application Submitted by Joan Osborn to close certain sections of Town Roads for Revolution: 1774 to be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024 with a rain date of June 16, 2024?
 - E. Shall the Town Council unseal the Nonpublic Session minutes from the year 2002 dated January 21, June 17, August 5, October 21, and October 28?
- IX. Committee Appointments**
Shall the Town Council, upon recommendation of the Planning Board Chair, Appoint Robert Sullivan 193 Packers Falls Road, to fill an Alternate Membership on the Planning Board with a term expiration of April 2027?
- X. Presentation Items**
- A. Presentation from Human Rights Commission on Statement issued April 5, 2024 by the Commission in regard to Ceasefire Resolution #2024-10.
 - B. Presentation/Discussion with Fire Chief Dave Emanuel regarding shift vacancies and overtime overages, and options to address these issues.
 - C. Quarterly Financial Report through 3/31/24 - Gail Jablonski, Business Manager
- XI. Unfinished Business**
- A. **Public Hearing and Action on Resolution #2024-12** Authorizing the Acceptance and Expenditure of Funding from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) National Coastal Resilience Fund (NCRF) for the Construction Improvements, Engineering Services, Monitoring and Inspection for the Phase 2 Wagon Hill Farm Living Shoreline Improvements in the Amount \$1,994,539.00 and Authorize the Administrator to Sign and Submit Grant Paperwork on Behalf of the Town of Durham.

- B. **Public Hearing and Action on Resolution #2024-13** Authorizing the Acceptance and Expenditure of Funding from the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) NH Clean Diesel Grant Program, Funded Through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Diesel Emission's Reduction Act (DERA), for Up to Two (2) Battery Electric Refuse Collection Trucks and Up to Two (2) Direct Current Fast Charging Stations (DCFC) That will Operate in Durham, New Hampshire to Reduce Diesel Emissions. Funding shall Equal an amount not to exceed 45% of the Cost of Each Eligible Vehicle and Charger Or a Total Not to Exceed \$723,681, Whichever is Less, and Authorize the Administrator to Sign and Submit Grant Paperwork on Behalf of the Town of Durham.
- C. **Public Hearing and Action on Resolution #2024-14** Authorizing the Acceptance and Expenditure of Funding from the FY23 Congressionally Mandated Projects Program from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, for the Bennett Road Stormwater and Flood Resiliency Project, in the Amount of up to \$2,040,000, with a Required 20% Match of \$510,000, for a Total Grant and Match Amount of \$2,550,000, and Authorize the Administrator to Sign and Submit Grant Paperwork on Behalf of the Town of Durham.

- XII. **Approval of Minutes - March 18, 2024**
- XIII. **Councilor and Administrator Roundtable**
- XIV. **New Business**
- XV. **2024/2025 Town Council Goals**
Continued discussion on the draft 2024-25 Town Council goals
- XVI. **Nonpublic Session (if required)**
- XVII. **Extended Councilor and Administrator Roundtable (if required)**
- XVIII. **Adjourn (NLT 10:30 PM)**

() 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.*