

Town of Derry

Net Zero Task Force

Bylaws

I. Mission

The Task Force Mission is to explore and achieve cost effective solutions for reduced energy use and sustainable energy development on town controlled property, municipal buildings, vehicles and schools, while developing a comprehensive plan to achieve the goal of “Net Zero” compliance by all key stakeholders by 2025. Additionally, reduce water usage where feasible.

II. Goals

1. Determine current energy, electric, water use and waste. Based on these results, what does Derry need to do to accomplish Net Zero? Will Derry become an energy producer? What are the legal ramifications?
2. Determine what municipal, school and Pinkerton properties could be targeted for improvement and how will this be done?
3. Determine logical and stretch goals including short and long term.
4. Determine the costs and benefits to the community as a whole. Are there funds available from the State and Federal Government and utilities?

III. Membership

One member from each group:

Energy and Environmental Advisory Committee, Conservation Commission/Go Green, Economic Development Committee, Planning Board, Derry Cooperative School District, Pinkerton Academy, Greater Derry Londonderry Chamber of Commerce, Derry Public Works Department, Town Council Liaison, Local Derry Business and one member of public.

IV. Officers

The committee shall elect the following officers at its first meeting:

- A. Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the committee when he or she is present and shall direct the work of the committee. The Chair may appoint chairs of any standing sub-committees from the membership (including alternate members) as approved by the committee. The chair shall submit a report to the Town Council after the Task Force has met for 6 months. The Chair shall ensure continuing liaison between the committee, the Town Council and other town agencies and departments. The Chair shall set the agenda, send the approved minutes to the Town Clerk and post notices of committee meetings and give notice to members when necessary.
- B. Vice chairperson shall assume all duties and powers of the chairperson in his or her absence. The Vice Chair shall assist the Chair in all committee planning and activities.

C. Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings and proceedings of the committee and record any action taken.

V. Meetings

The committee meetings shall be open to the public in accordance with NH RSA 91-A and be held the third Thursday of the month from 6-7:30pm in Room 207 of the Derry Municipal Building. The time and place of each meeting shall be posted in accordance with these requirements. All meetings will be held in accordance with the Derry Town Charter and will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

Six members shall constitute a quorum. Members shall make every effort to attend all meetings and perform such duties as are assigned. Any member unable to attend a meeting shall notify the Chair of the committee in advance whenever possible.

VI. Amendments

These by-laws can be amended anytime by any member bringing forward that amendment at a scheduled public meeting. A discussion will follow and a second reading of the amendment will be read at the following scheduled public meeting. If there are no changes a motion and second must be made then a vote of the majority present will be taken. If the vote is in the affirmative then this amendment will become active immediately. If the vote is a tie or a no vote then the amendment will fail.