

**HYDE PARK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**July 1, 2014**

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Please check future minutes for the approval of these minutes.*

Members Present: Greg Paus (GP); Charlie Aronovici (CA) – 5:40 p.m.  
Members Absent: Selectboard Representative  
Staff: Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator  
Guests: Rick Loya, Artworks by Rick Loya

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GP opened the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

1. **Welcome and Public Comment** – Rick Loya was present to informally review his idea to locate a sign shop and art gallery on Main Street. The Board felt that the re-use of existing buildings near the Sweet Crunch Bakery, with an art gallery space on Main Street met many objectives of the current community development plans and revitalization efforts of the Village Trustees. A possible public parking lot could be developed behind the bakery but it would need a number of surveying and engineering checks along with consent from multiple property owners. Rick will return at a later date with more business plan details and possibly an application for tax stabilization.
2. **Minutes** – Motion by CA to approve the 05/07/2014 and 06/03/2014 minutes, as written. Seconded by GP. So voted.
3. **Update on Tasks; New Items**
  - Dan Keene is continuing to work on his car dealership project and is not ready to prepare a formal tax stabilization application. He is hoping to come in for the August meeting.
  - Grants and Projects – A Bike-Ped Grant was submitted June 27 for the Village scoping study. The North Hyde Park Village Stormwater and Pedestrian grant is almost ready to advertise for an engineering firm to begin that scoping study. The LVRT trailhead is stalled due to one clause in the VTrans lease which places additional liability on taxpayers that should be shared with the State of Vermont, so alternate locations are being reviewed, including the Fred Tourangeau parcel on Depot St and the Village of Hyde Park parcel on Morey Road.
  - Land Development Regulations – The planning commission is preparing a complete first draft of the new unified code which will include standards for form-based designs. Public hearings are anticipated this coming Fall.
4. **Next Steps and Assignments**
  - Cancel the August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting for summer vacations, however if a tax stabilization agreement applications comes in, a special meeting may be called prior to the next regular meeting which will be September 2, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.
5. **Adjourn** - The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Ron Rodjenski