

**HYDE PARK SELECTBOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
June 29, 2016**

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Members Present: David Gagnier, Chair; Brian Jones, Vice-Chair; Roger Audet; Lucy Hankinson and Roland Boivin  
Members Absent: None  
Others Present: Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator; Mac Teale; Maxine Adams; Beverly Potter; Bob Malbon; Andrea Altman; Carolyn Jones; Vicki Emerson; Kevin Fitzgerald; Heather Sartwell; Michael Wickenden; Jim Fontaine; GMATV videotaped this meeting.

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David Gagnier called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. **Welcome & Public Comment:** Welcome. No public comment. No changes to the agenda.
2. **Year End Discussion & Annual Wage Increases Memo:** Motion by Brian to approve the memo awarding a 2.0% increase to regular town employees. Seconded by Roger. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
3. **Possible Executive Session:** Motion by Brian to move into executive session to discuss town personnel mater. Seconded by Roger. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
4. **Tax Rate:** Dave reviewed the calculation of the municipal rate of \$0.6873/100 valuation. Motion by Roger to approve the \$0.6873 for FY2017. Seconded by Roland. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
5. **Zoning Public Hearing (7:00 p.m.):** Dave opened the public hearing and handed out copies of the changes made since the 2015 planning commission draft bylaw. Dave asked if the add to agricultural enterprises should include breweries and distilleries and it was agreed to stay in the draft. Ron explained that ag enterprise addresses the issue of an agriculturally based operations going over 50% of their product sold from sources off their farm parcel. Mr. Wickenden stated that he has reviewed the changes in the 2016 draft and supports the changes. Mac Teale commented that there are issues with small businesses wanting to grow but running up against zoning regulations, which limit our freedom to control our own lives. Mac noted that this issue is a national issue and he is not criticizing the rewrite effort, but cautioning that we are losing more and more rights when adopting more regulations. Bev Potter noted that she is thankful the town is trying to protect her but also feels the draft does not stifle development, stating that she appreciates some protection from a bylaw. Bev thanked everyone who worked on the document. Carolyn Jones felt that the document was infringing too much and we are losing more of our freedoms. Carolyn thought that the changes made were in response to a few comments at the public hearings and more consideration from others should be given before adoption. Andrea felt that the bylaw should be adopted as amended. Brian noted that the drafted regulations are long, complicated and will be cumbersome. Motion by Brian to close the public hearing, seconded by Roger, so voted.
6. **Consider Adoption of June 1, 2016 Land Use and Development Regulations:** Motion by Brian to adopt the June 1, 2016 LUDR. Seconded by Roger. Voting: 4 in favor, 0 against (Brian), motion passed.
7. **Executive Session:** Motion to move into executive session to discuss fire department personnel mater. Seconded by Roger. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed. Returned to regular meeting.
8. **Other Business:** The annual Financial Management Questionnaire, prepared by Kim Moulton, Town Treasurer, was reviewed. Motion by Brian to accept the 2016 Questionnaire. Seconded by Lucy. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed. Roger asked if the money for filling private swimming pools by the town fire department is coming in to the town treasurer and Roger will ask Kim.
9. **Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn by Roger. Seconded by Roland. So voted at 7:47 p.m.