

**MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**Hope Board of Selectmen**  
**Wednesday, July 12, 2016**  
**6:30 PM**  
**Hope Town Office**

**Board Members Present:** Dick Crabtree, David Bosken, Brian Powers Jr., Wendy Pelletier, Mike Brown

**Others Present:** Tom Ford, Bobbi Oxtan, Brian Davis, Avery Larned

**I. Call Meeting to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes from July 6, 2016 meeting were approved 5-0

**II. Shared Septic System**

Brian Davis was here to discuss adding bathroom to barn. This had been discussed prior to tonight's meeting and Selectman had a better understanding of prior approvals for Brian to add bathroom.

Dick motioned to approve. Mike seconded.

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**III. Status of Hobbs Lane**

Avery Larned came to meeting and was advised if she wanted to take this further she should do so by hiring a lawyer. Dick had done some research on the subject and had rendering of what he believed to be true. Avery asked us to talk to our attorney but was again advised she would need to hire an attorney if she wanted to take this issue further.

**No action taken on this issue.**

**IV. Town Administrator Discussion**

Discussion included coming up with a new job description, interview process and review process. Deadline date for resumes was extended to August 5.

**V. Bishopswood Donation**

Discussion to accept \$500.00 donation from the Bishopswood Camp to the Hope Fire Department, Truck Replacement Fund.

Wendy motioned to approve. Mike seconded.

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**VI. Board of Assessors – 2017 Tax Commitment**

At 6:35 p.m. Wendy motioned to suspend Selectman meeting and convene as Assessors.  
Mike Seconded.

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

Vern let Selectman know there is Property Tax school at the Hutchinson Center in August.

**a. FY 2017 Tax Commitment**

Dick made a motion to set a mil rate of 13.60 for the 2017 Tax Commitment. Mike seconded.

**Motion passed 5-0.**

At 6:54 p.m. Wendy motioned to suspend Assessors meeting and convene as Selectman.  
Dick Seconded.

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

At 7:52 p.m. Wendy motioned to suspend Selectman meeting and convene as Assessors.  
Dick Seconded.

**Motion Passed 4-0 as Dave Bosken had left meeting.**

**b. FY 2017 Contract With Hired Tax Assesor**

Mike motioned to approve Vern Ziegler's contract. Dick seconded.

**Motion Passed 4-0.**

At 8:05 p.m. Dick motioned to adjourn Assessors meeting and convene as Selectman.  
Mike seconded.

**Motion Passed 4-0.**

**VII. Future Agenda Items**

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**VII. Adjournment**

Dick motioned to adjourn at 9:41 pm. Wendy seconded.

**Motion Passed 4-0.**