

1 **Town of Sandown, NH**
2 **Board of Selectmen**
3 **Minutes**
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5 Meeting Date: Monday, January 27, 2014
6 Type of Meeting: Regular meeting
7 Method of Notification: Public Posting – Two locations at Town Hall
8 Meeting Location: Sandown Town Hall
9 Present: Selectpersons: Terry Treanor (Treanor), Tom Tombarello (Tombarello),
10 Hans Nicolaisen (Nicolaisen), James Devine (Devine), Lynne Blaisdell, Town
11 Administrator and Cynthia J. Robinson, Recording Secretary
12 Absent:
13 Late to arrive:
14 Departed Meeting:
15 Call to Order: Chairman Tombarello called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
16 Pledge of Allegiance
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19 **Review of minutes of previous meetings**
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- 21 • Board members reviewed the minutes of January 6, 2014. **MOTION:** Selectman
22 Nicolaisen moved to accept the Board of Selectmen minutes of January 6, 2014
23 as written. Selectman Treanor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
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25 Board members reviewed the non-public minutes of January 6, 2014. **MOTION:**
26 Selectman Nicolaisen moved to accept the Board of Selectmen non- public
27 minutes of January 6, 2014 as written. Selectman Devine seconded. Motion
28 passed unanimously.
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- 30 • Board members reviewed the minutes of January 13, 2014. **MOTION:**
31 Selectman Nicolaisen moved to accept the Board of Selectmen minutes of
32 January 13, 2014 as written. Selectman Devine seconded. Three ayes
33 (Treanor, Nicolaisen and Devine) and one abstention (Tombarello). Motion
34 passed.
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36 Board members reviewed the non-public minutes of January 13, 2014.
37 **MOTION:** Selectman Nicolaisen moved to accept the Board of Selectmen non-
38 public minutes of January 13, 2014 as written. Selectman Devine seconded.
39 Three ayes (Treanor, Nicolaisen and Devine) and one abstention (Tombarello).
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42 **Public Comment**
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- Selectmen Nicolaisen noted back on January 16, 2014 at the final budget hearing Budget Committee member Steve Brown asked about the vote that changed the title of the Office Manager to Town Administrator. Selectman Nicolaisen pointed out that Mr. Brown was looking at a set of non-public minutes that were unsealed by the Board of Selectmen; he did not have the public minutes where it shows all the votes that carried that night. Selectman Nicolaisen just wants the public to know everything was done correctly that night (April 15, 2013) announcing the vote in public when they came out of non-public session.
 - Chairman Tombarello noted there is new window treatments in the Town Hall on the second floor that look really beautiful. Chairman Tombarello hopes everyone will check them out on Saturday when they attend Deliberative Session.
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57 New Business

58 **Discussion regarding appointment of Old Home Day Committee members**

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- Board members reviewed the memorandum from the Old Home Day Committee regarding the re-appointment of members. **MOTION:** Selectman Devine moved to re-appoint the following individuals to the Old Home Day Committee for a period of one year until March 2015; Tim Rand, Patty Lakos, Karen Jortberg, Pat Kimball, Rick DeLuca, Terry Treanor, Anthony LoConte, Erica Olsen and Paula Gulla. Selectman Treanor seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **MOTION:** Chairman Tombarello moved to appoint Helen LoPresti to the Old Home Day Committee for a period of one year until March 2015. Selectman Nicolaisen seconded. Three ayes (Treanor, Tombarello and Nicolaisen) and one abstention (Devine). Motion passed.
 - Ms. Blaisdell stated Ed Bushey of NH Electric Coop (NHEC) presented the Board with a letter/easement regarding the upgrade to the existing lines that run along Rt. 121A in Sandown. This upgrade may include the possibility of replacing and/or adding some poles. The Town owns a couple lots along Rt. 121A and Mr. Bushey would like the Town to enter into an easement agreement so that NHEC can maintain those lines.
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79 Mr. Bushy thinks the lines may fall within the states right of way but in the event
80 some portion of the poles/lines fall within the Town's property he would like an
81 easement. The properties are 617 Main Street and the other is after Hale True
82 Road and Williams Street. Ms. Blaisdell stated this is the same easement
83 presented to residents. Consensus of the Board is to have the easement
84 reviewed by legal counsel. Ms. Blaisdell stated she would like to view the sites
85 and request a map showing where the poles may be placed. Selectman Devine
86 would like to obtain from NHEC a value or number of their poles in Town. Ms.
87 Blaisdell will look into this.

88 **Old Business**

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- 90 • There was no old business before the Board.
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92 **Correspondence**

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- 94 • Letter from Donna Green regarding questions for Timberlane delegation.
95 Chairman Tombarello stated the Timberlane School Board is coming to the
96 Selectmen’s meeting on February 3, 2014. Ms. Blaisdell stated they requested
97 this meeting so they could talk about the proposed warrant articles for the school
98 district. Consensus of the Board is to send Ms. Green’s email to the School
99 Board so they are aware of her questions in advance. Ms. Blaisdell stated there
100 is considerable discussion regarding the school district budget on “Facebook”.
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 - 102 • Letter from the Rockingham County Commissioners regarding the 2014 budget
103 proposal (\$78,513,624.00), which noted is an increase of 2.08% on the county
104 rate.
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 - 106 • Letter informing the Board Matthew Michael Turner has achieved the rank of
107 Eagle Scout in Troop 268 and is requesting the Board send a letter or certificate
108 to be presented at his recognition ceremony on March 23, 2014. Ms. Blaisdell
109 noted that a recognition ceremony was held this past Sunday for Chris Robinson
110 who also achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Selectman Devine stated a letter of
111 congratulations and a certificate were given to Mr. Robinson from the Board of
112 Selectmen. Chairman Tombarello noted the good work that has been done for
113 the Town through the Boy Scouts.
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 - 115 • Chairman Tombarello read the letter of resignation from Ron DuLong from the
116 Recreation Commission. **MOTION:** Selectman Devine moved to accept the
117 resignation of Ron DuLong from the Recreation Commission with regret.
118 Selectmen Nicolaisen seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Selectman
119 Nicolaisen thanked Mr. DuLong for his years of service to the Town. George
120 Blaisdell, Vice Chairman will be managing the Commission for the time being.
121 Ms. Blaisdell will send Mr. DuLong a letter from the Board.
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 - 123 • Letter from a concerned resident who is asking the Board of Selectmen to protect
124 the quality of life in Sandown. Selectman Nicolaisen encouraged residents to
125 participate in the Deliberative Session on Saturday. Ms. Blaisdell will send a
126 letter to the resident from the Board explaining the situation. Selectman Devine
127 noted learning how the Town is run takes time it doesn’t happen over a short
128 period of time. Ms. Blaisdell recommended anyone with concerns should go to
129 the Assessing site on the Sandown website that has a link to a site at Local
130 Government Center that explains the tax rate process. Ms. Blaisdell recapped
131 what goes into the one formula that sets the tax rate.

- Informational letter from Property Liability Trust regarding the Supreme Court decision regarding the Health Trust.

Department Liaison Report

- Selectman Nicolaisen stated the Planning Board meeting was cancelled.
- Chairman Tombarello will be attending a Cable Committee meeting tomorrow.
- Selectman Treanor noted there might be a problem with the purchase of the building/property for the police station having to do with commercial versus residential property.
- Selectman Devine stated the Conservation Commission is continuously looking at property to purchase. There will be a full moon walk through the Town Forest on February 14, 2014. There is a petition warrant article relating to the Conservation Commission. Looking for updates on trails.
- Chairman Tombarello announced the Deliberative Session will take place on Saturday, February 1, 2014 at 8:00 A.M. and the Timberlane School District Meeting will take place on Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

Non-Public discussion under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Employee Matters and (e) Litigation

- **MOTION:** Selectman Devine moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91A:3 II (a) Employee Matters and (e) Litigation. Selectman Nicolaisen seconded. Roll call: Devine – aye, Nicolaisen – aye, Tombarello -aye and Treanor – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Selectman Nicolaisen moved to come out of non-public session. Selectman Devine seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Tombarello announced while in non-public session the Board voted to seal the non-public minutes.

Chairman Tombarello adjourned the meeting at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia J. Robinson
Recording Secretary