

1 **Town of Sandown, NH**
2 **Board of Selectmen**
3 **Minutes**
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5 Meeting Date: Monday, May 5, 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), Stephen Brown (Brown), Hans
10 Nicolaisen (Nicolaisen), Cindy Buco (Buco), James Devine (Devine), Lynne Blaisdell,
11 Town Administrator and Cynthia J. Robinson, Recording Secretary

12 Absent:

13 Late to arrive:

14 Departed Meeting:

15 Call to Order: Chairman Nicolaisen called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

16 Pledge of Allegiance
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18 **Review of minutes of previous meetings**
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- 20 • Board members reviewed the minutes of April 21, 2014. **MOTION:** Selectman
21 Brown moved to accept the minutes of April 21, 2014 as written. Selectman
22 Devine seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
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24 **Public Comment**
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- 26 • Ms. Blaisdell announced the State of New Hampshire is now offering the annual
27 low moderate income home owners property tax relief program. Ms. Blaisdell
28 noted there is a limited time to apply for this and information can be found on the
29 Town website or contact the Selectmen's Office. Information can also be found
30 at revenue.nh.gov look for the assistance page. Filing period is May 1, 2014
31 through June 30, 2014.
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- 33 • Chairman Nicolaisen invited Sandown residents to Miller Field to attend the
34 dedication and memorial to honor David Martin Augusta III to be held on
35 Saturday, May 10, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.
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37 **New Business**
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39 **Review of Government Buildings projects for 2014**
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- 41 • Board members reviewed the list of 2014 projects for the maintenance of
42 buildings in Sandown. Ms. Blaisdell explained she wanted to go through the list
43 with the Board before she spent time obtaining bids. Ms. Blaisdell informed the
44 Board that the pumping of the septic tanks has been scheduled, the lawn

45 fertilization program has started and winterization of the sprinkler system will take
46 place late in the fall. After discussing the remainder of the projects it was the
47 consensus of the Board to move forward with the projects listed. Ms. Blaisdell
48 asked Board members if they would assist her with some of the projects that she
49 is not familiar with the details.

50 51 **Review of Summer Schedule**

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- 53 • Ms. Blaisdell provided the Board with the annual summer schedule for
54 Selectmen's meetings, which starting with Memorial Day goes to every other
55 Monday. Ms. Blaisdell noted if the workload required it extra meetings would be
56 scheduled.

57 58 **Discuss request by Brian St. Amand for appointment to** 59 **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

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- 61 • Ms. Blaisdell stated the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) is requesting the
62 appointment of Brian St. Amand as a full time member for one year. Chairman
63 Nicolaisen read the minutes from the ZBA dated April 24, 2014 where the Board
64 voted unanimously to make the nomination. **MOTION:** Selectman Brown moved
65 to appoint Brian St. Amand to the ZBA as a full time member until March 2015.
66 Selectman Treanor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

67 68 **Other**

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- 70 • Selectman Brown asked whether a correction should be made regarding the
71 appointment of Lisa Butler to the Planning Board for a one-year term where the
72 RSA's say it is to be a three-year term. Selectman Brown stated he would ask
73 Ms. Butler at the next Planning Board meeting if she wants to be appointed for a
74 three year term and he will let the Selectmen's Office know so a new
75 appointment can be made.
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77 • Selectman Devine stated he received information on the room and meals tax
78 which he will give to Ms. Blaisdell. Ms. Blaisdell will look into how the Town uses
79 the money received from the room and meals tax.

80 81 **Old Business**

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- 83 • This afternoon Ms. Blaisdell received correspondence on the Currier/Cahill legal
84 action regarding the blocking of Hazelton Mill Road. This case had originally
85 gone away with a judgment against the Cahill's. The Cahill's then filed for
86 reconsideration noting within this action there was never any findings on the
87 status (discontinuance) of Hazelton Mill Road by the court as was required by
88 law back in 1929. The court has now ruled on the status of Hazelton Mill Road

89 finding that Hazelton Mill Road has been lawfully discontinued and all public
90 rights to it have been extinguished.

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92 **Correspondence**

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- 94 • There was no correspondence.

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96 **Department Liaison Report**

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- 98 • Selectman Devine stated he has not received an answer from the Fire
99 Department regarding the Knox box.

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101 There was no Conservation Commission meeting.

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- 103 • Chairman Nicolaisen noted the Zoning Board of Adjustment accepted a couple
104 applications for non-conforming road frontage. The hearings will be held next
105 month.

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- 107 • Selectman Brown stated the Planning Board meeting is tomorrow night.

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- 109 • Selectman Treanor stated the Recreation Commission will be meeting May 14,
110 2014.

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- 112 • Ms. Blaisdell announced the closing on new building that will house the police
113 station took place on Thursday. Chairman Nicolaisen would like to get the Police
114 Chief in before the Board to establish a plan to move forward with the
115 reconstruction. Selectman Treanor will contact the Police Chief tomorrow. Ms.
116 Blaisdell noted that a Building Committee has already been established. Ms.
117 Blaisdell also noted that Chief Gordon is on next week's agenda for other items
118 and he was asked to give an update on this topic as well.

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120 **MOTION:** Selectman Devine moved to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91A:3 II (c)
121 Reputation. Selectman Brown seconded. Roll call – Devine – aye, Bucu – aye,
122 Nicolaisen – aye, Brown – aye and Treanor – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

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124 **MOTION:** Selectman Brown moved to come out of Non-Public Session. Selectman
125 Devine seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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127 Chairman Nicolaisen announced that while in Non-Public Session the Board voted to
128 seal the minutes.

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133 **Other**

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135 • Ms. Blaisdell informed the Board that legal counsel would like to meet with them
136 in non-public session to discuss the Fair Point legal matter. Legal counsel does
137 not feel the offer Fair Point made is reasonable but she needs to hear what the
138 Board's thoughts are. Legal counsel would like Joe Lessard from Municipal
139 Resources Inc. present for this discussion. Ms. Blaisdell asked the Board when
140 they want to meet with legal counsel. Chairman Nicolaisen suggested meeting
141 with legal counsel before a regular Monday night meeting around 6:00 – 6:30
142 P.M. Ms. Blaisdell will contact legal counsel and set up a meeting date.

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144 • Board members discussed the email to Gordon Champion about sending the
145 Comcast Agreement to legal counsel. Mr. Champion responded by giving a list
146 of steps that will be taken regarding the Agreement review by the Cable
147 Committee, Comcast, Comcast's legal counsel and the Town's legal counsel.
148 There was discussion about when the Town's legal counsel should review the
149 Agreement with Comcast. After discussion it was the consensus of the Board to
150 send the most recent draft of the Comcast Agreement to legal counsel.

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152 Chairman Nicolaisen adjourned the meeting at 8:10 P.M.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Cynthia J. Robinson
Recording Secretary

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