

1 DRAFT

2 BOARD OF SELECTMEN

3 TOWN OF SANDOWN, NH

4 SANDOWN, NH 03873

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6 **Meeting Date: May 18, 2015**

7 **Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting**

8 **Method of Notification: Public Posting at Town Hall**

9 **Meeting Location: Town Hall**

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11 Selectman Devine called the meeting to order at 7pm.

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13 **Members Present:** Selectman Devine, Selectman Treanor, Selectman
14 Goldman, Selectwoman Bucu and Selectman Tombarello.

15 Town Administrator: Lynne Blaidsell

16 **Recording Secretary:** Sue Reynolds

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18 Pledge of Allegiance was done.

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20 Selectman Devine asked the Board to review the minutes of Monday, May 4,
21 2015.

22 Selectman Bucu said her name is spelled Bucu not Bucco, and Selectman
23 Goldman said that Ed Mencis should be spelled that way throughout the
24 minutes and line 42 should read Goldman.

25 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the minutes of May 4, 2014 as
26 amended.

27 **Seconded by** Selectman Goldman.

28 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine and
29 Selectman Tombarello.

30 **Abstain,** Selectwoman Bucu.

31 **Motion passes 4-0-1**

32 Selectman Devine asked that the Board review the non-public minutes of May
33 4, 2015.

34 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the non-public minutes of May 4,
35 2015.

36 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

37 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
38 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco.

39 **Motion passes unanimously**

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41 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

42 Lynne Blaisdell reminded the residents that the Memorial Day Parade and
43 service will be on Monday, May 25th and the parade will line up at the
44 Sandown Depot at 12pm and they will step off at 12:30, then at 12:45 the
45 service will commence at the center cemetery at the flagpole and the
46 approximate end time is 1:30. Lynne asked the BOS who is marching and
47 Selectman Devine, Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco said they
48 will be. Selectman Devine also said he will be saying a few words.

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50 **Chief Gordon – to discuss the Annual Granite State Phone Contract**

51 Chief Gordon said there are 3 years remaining of a 5 year contract and
52 because of the new police station there will be some additional charges for the
53 next 3 years. Chief Gordon said the additional cost will be \$145.07 per month
54 and he is looking for the BOS approval. Chief Gordon said he can put this in
55 the budget for the next few years.

56 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to extend the current contract with the
57 Sandown Police Department and Granite State Telephone to include the new
58 police station.

59 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

60 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
61 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco.

62 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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64 Chief Gordon said things are progressing nicely, the lighting is in, walls are
65 primed and floors are prepped for the VCT. He also said all of the frames are
66 in and most of the doors are in and the security system is ready for the codes
67 to be entered. Chief Gordon also said the siding is done, the ground work has
68 been started and the Eagle Scout is building the flag pole and he is looking to
69 have a ceremony once it is finished, probably closer to OHD.

70 **Artie Genualdo – Annual Facilities Report for Department of**
71 **Environmental Services.**

72 Lynne Blaisdell said that Artie Genualdo said he could make himself available
73 if needed but Lynne said she could present the information for him.

74 Lynne said that for a number of years the report has been filed by Artie but
75 now they are requiring a signature from Town Management, such as a
76 member of the BOS, Town Administrator or Town Manager. Lynne said the
77 BOS or Town Administrator needs to sign the permit for this year but can
78 include minutes stating that the BOS approve having Artie Genualdo, as the
79 Public Works Director sign it as he is the one running the facility.

80 **Motion by** Selectman Goldman to authorize Lynne Blaisdell to sign the permit
81 for this year and either she or Arthur Genualdo can sign it in the future.

82 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

83 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
84 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco.

85 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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87 **TRSB Representative’s Monthly Update**

88 Arthur Green is here for Donna Green presenting the School Board update.

89 Arthur reports that Dr. Metzler was given a 4% bonus along with a 6.75%
90 raise by the SAU Board on May 13th. He said the first meeting of the Feasibility

91 Study Committee around the Sandown withdrawal was held on May 14th and
92 there were 4 school board members and 4 BOS, one from each town. He said

93 there was a debate at the last School Board meeting in regards to the district
94 investing in a sprinkler system for Sandown North because of the uncertainty

95 of how capital spending should take place in the event of a Sandown

96 withdrawal. He said the School Board will be deliberating on this further but

97 the intent is that the project needs to be completed this summer. He

98 continued to say that the Danville BOS were assigned time on the agenda for

99 the May 21st School Board meeting, to request Danville student information to

100 adjust Danville impact fees and Sandown’s Planning Board is interested in

101 receiving similar information for the Town of Sandown as well. Arthur said at

102 the upcoming School Board meeting, this Thursday night the Consolidation

103 Committee will present the Consolidation report. He said that Mrs. Green is

104 still waiting for answers in regards to Timberlane’s Special Ed. Program and

105 she pointed out that some of the information that she requested is posted on

106 Bedford, NH’s website so she is continuing to push hard to get that

107 information. He continued to say that the first full meeting of the CIP

108 Committee happened on May 6th and the next meeting will take place on June
109 10th and Timberlane's Model United Nations Team took home the best
110 delegation award at UMass Lowell and Jake Chaput won and individual
111 delegation award.

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114 **NEW BUSINESS**

115 **Review of the Summer Schedule of the BOS**

116 Lynne says the Board usually starts with Memorial Day off and then they do
117 every other week, until the last few weeks in August, they may need to start
118 back a bit earlier, depending on the budget schedule calendar.

119 The consensus of the BOS is to agree to this schedule.

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121 **Donation from the Sandown Lions Club to the Police Station Donation 122 Fund**

123 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the \$100.00 donation from the
124 Sandown Lions Club to be deposited into the Police Station Donation Fund.

125 **Seconded by** Selectwoman Buco.

126 **In Favor**, Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
127 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco.

128 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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130 **Sandown Recreation Commission is asking to hire summer staff**

131 Lynne said they would like to hire Kelly Lowes a lifeguard at \$12.00 per hour
132 and also several counselors for the summer program at the rate of \$8.00 per
133 hour.

134 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to hire the following counselors at the rate of
135 \$8.00 per hour: Kelly Lowes, Kelsey Collins, Jonathan Dolan, Jacob Donovan,
136 Patrick Mahoney and Joseph Margarisi and to also hire Kelly Lowes as a
137 lifeguard at \$12.00 per hour.

138 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

139 **In Favor**, Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
140 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco.

141 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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143 **OLD BUSINESS**

144 **Review of the Volunteer Workers Agreement**

145 Lynne said she sent the Volunteer Workers Agreement to Diane Gorrow and
146 she said it is a good idea to have something in place like this as it is non-
147 binding. Lynne said this will be for all volunteers to sign whether they are
148 doing physical work or not. Selectman Goldman said he understands why the
149 Town needs this in place but he doesn't agree. He feels it demeans and
150 degrades the spirit of volunteerism and wonders where do they draw the line.
151 Lynn explained the incident that happened at the Police Station and explained
152 the individual had the opportunity to file a liability claim, which is beyond the
153 \$10,000.00 amount listed in this agreement. Lynne also said she looked into
154 increasing this amount and they can't as this is a member agreement not an
155 insurance policy. Selectwoman Bucu stated that the person would use their
156 insurance first then the \$10,000.00 would kick in and take care of the
157 difference. Lynne explained that if the agreement is signed or not, the
158 coverage isn't going to change. Selectwoman Bucu also said the BOS can look
159 at each case individually and decide how the coverage is handled. Lynne
160 referred to an incident that happened in Town in 2003 with a resident getting
161 extremely hurt and the Town only covered the \$10,000.00.
162 Cathy Gorman came to the table as a member of the Budget Committee and
163 volunteer and said it is the BOS duty to protect the Town and not the
164 volunteers and feels that having full disclosure up front is better than a
165 volunteer not knowing at all. Selectman Tombarello asked why they are
166 asking for the insurance information and policy number from the residents
167 and Lynne explained that it isn't required, but it is helpful for any medical help
168 that may need to respond to an emergency. It just saves time if the Town
169 already has that information listed. Selectman Goldman doesn't feel the
170 residents personal insurance should pay for the potential accident during
171 volunteering and Lynne said that it is the residents choice to volunteer or not.
172 Selectman Tombarello said he is in favor of this but he would like a few things
173 looked into such as, he'd like Lynne to ask other Town's what they use for a
174 policy and he would also like Lynne to check with SSATP in regards to their
175 application for drivers and also for Lynne to check with department heads to
176 see how many volunteers they have that would need to sign the form. This
177 will be reviewed at the next meeting.

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179 **CORRESPONDENCE**

180 Lynne said that May 30th is Hazardous Waste Day in Hampton Public Works
181 Dept and then again in the fall on August 29th in Brentwood.

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183 Lynne said there is letter from Danville Selectman's administrator letting the
184 Town's know they will be on the agenda for the next School Board meeting,
185 May 21st, to discuss the exception to the School Board policy in regards to
186 their impact fees.

187 Selectwoman Bucu said the Planning Board is the driver behind the impact
188 fees and she offered to go to the meeting to represent Sandown if the BOS are
189 ok with that.

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191 **Memo from Artie Genualdo to change some dates and times during the**
192 **OHD celebration.**

193 Lynne said Artie is asking to close the Transfer Station on Saturday,
194 September 12th and he would like to open 2 hours earlier on Sunday,
195 September 13th and also open 1 hour earlier on Wednesday, September 16th.
196 The BOS are ok with these changes.

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198 **Memo from RPC**

199 Lynne said she received a notice from RPC stating there is an open
200 appointment status for the Town of Sandown on the RPC. She said Mark
201 Treager is a member and they are looking for 1 more. Lynne said if anyone is
202 interested in filling this position to please let her know.

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204 **Majority Committee Update**

205 Selectman Bucu said the Majority Committee met on Thursday and the
206 Committee is not going to allow any more members to join the committee, it
207 will only be the amount that is required by the RSA. She said that she is very
208 disappointed as there are several very experienced and committed individuals
209 that could help get the study done and done quickly. Selectwoman Bucu said
210 that there are not so favorable things being talked about on line from
211 committee members and she feels like there is already a perceived outcome of
212 the study and it hasn't even begun. She said felling this way she looked into
213 creating a Minority Committee and how they can move forward seeking
214 counsel's advice. She said that the BOS can create a board sanctioned
215 Minority Committee and move forward with the town's minority report. She
216 said she would like to get that committee up and running with the Board's
217 approval. Selectman Bucu said at the last meeting there was concern as to
218 who is responsible for forming the Committee and she said according to Legal
219 Counsel it the is the BOS. She said a lot of information needs to be obtained
220 and they also need to negotiate with other towns in regards to educating the

221 children of the Town of Sandown. Selectman Tombarello asked if anyone
222 reached out to Kelly Ward to come to a BOS meeting and Selectman Buco said
223 she did not and Lynne said there wasn't a final decision at the last meeting in
224 regards to that. Lynne said a letter was going to be drafted and sent to the
225 School Board members and Selectman Devine will speak to that later in the
226 meeting. Selectwoman Buco would like a motion by the BOS to move forward
227 with the Minority Committee as a Town Ordained Committee to move forward
228 with a Minority Report. Selectwoman said she would like the meetings to be
229 public with access to minutes. Selectman Goldman asked why they should
230 have a Minority Committee when they don't know what direction the Majority
231 Committee is going and Selectwoman Buco said according to Legal Counsel on
232 April 1st, the BOS could have appointed a Minority Committee before the
233 Majority Committee had their first meeting. Selectman Devine said he is in
234 favor of forming a Minority Committee but feels they should wait a few weeks
235 to see what the Majority Committee is going to do. Selectwoman Buco is
236 adamant that the BOS does not have to wait for the Majority Committee starts
237 their deliberations and would like to move forward with this tonight. Again
238 she references the legal opinion she received saying the BOS can appoint a
239 Minority Committee and she would like to move forward with that tonight as
240 she feels time is of the essence. Selectwoman Buco said they would be
241 requesting the information directly from the SAU and not the Majority
242 Committee. Selectman Goldman feels that Kelly Ward should come to the BOS
243 and explain his plans and the Committee's plans going forward and how they
244 are going to use the 180 days. He feels this is a School District issue and not a
245 BOS issue. Selectwoman Buco said at last week's meeting the BOS were in
246 agreement in forming a Minority Committee and the only thing that was in
247 question is if it could be a BOS appointed Committee and she found out from
248 Legal Counsel that it is up to the BOS and wants to know why the hesitation
249 now. Selectman Devine reminded the BOS that both the Majority and Minority
250 reports have to be filed at the same time and Selectwoman Buco said the
251 reason she feels strongly in forming this committee immediately is that there
252 may not be much information collected from the Majority Committee and they
253 could actually file their report in much less than 180 days. She also reminded
254 the BOS that the Town of Sandown voted 78% majority to have the study done
255 and the School Board has not taken full responsibility for that and she would
256 like to have a Minority Committee formed and have a report prepared in detail
257 for the residents of Sandown. She said she is not confident that this is the
258 information that the Majority Committee will present. She said she is looking

259 for a fair an honest study to the Town has a real idea as to what is best for
260 them. Selectman Devine feels some of the information needs to come from the
261 School Board and would like to wait a few weeks to allow the Majority
262 Committee to meet again to see if they are going to do what they need to do.
263 Again Selectwoman Bucu said she would really like to move ahead with
264 forming the Minority Committee and begin gathering information in
265 conjunction with the Majority Committee's study. Selectman Tombarello
266 asked about the Minority Committee and Selectwoman Bucu said the Minority
267 Committee will gather their own information and hope that it is the same as
268 the Majority Committee and Selectman Devine the School Board should be
269 providing the information to the Majority Committee and Selectwoman Bucu
270 said they may not ask for the same information as the Minority Committee.
271 Selectwoman Bucu feels there is no harm in forming the Minority Committee
272 at this time and Selectman Tombarello agrees it is ok to begin forming the
273 Committee at this time. Selectman Goldman asked if the two Committee's
274 would do the same thing with the same report and Selectman Devine explains
275 by saying that Sandown owns 15% of all the other town's property, and when
276 we pull out of the district that money is owed to Sandown and they need to
277 determine the value of that property and are they going to use the current
278 value or the depreciated value. He also said the Town doesn't own 85% of
279 those buildings because the State has provided half of the costs and the 15%
280 can be offset accordingly. Selectman Devine said the School Board should be
281 able to provide the figures as soon as they are asked for as this is something
282 that should be tracked every year. Again he would like to wait a week or two
283 to see if they are going to provide those figures. He also said once the finances
284 are figured out we need to figure where the children will be educated.
285 Selectman Devine said there is already an amount set for what the cost per
286 student is to be tuitioned into TRSD and how much is the State going to
287 contribute as well. Selectwoman Bucu said she is asking permission to set up
288 the committee with the understanding that eventually they will be requesting
289 information. Selectman Devine said he is in favor of the Committee being
290 formed. Selectwoman Bucu said she already has a few letters of interest and
291 states that if there is anyone else interested to please submit a letter of
292 interest as well. Lynne Blaisdell recommends the motion include the number
293 of members on the Committee with an odd number keeping in mind the more
294 members that are on the committee the more you need for a quorum.
295 Selectwoman Bucu said she would like to have 9 members on the committee
296 as this will allow for vacations to be taken during the summer months.

297 **Motion by** Selectman Goldman to create a Feasibility and Withdrawal Study
298 Minority Committee with a total of 9 members and a quorum of 5.

299 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

300 **In Favor**, Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
301 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Bucu.

302 **Motion passed unanimously.**

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304 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to appoint Selectwoman Bucu to the
305 Feasibility and Withdrawal Study Minority Committee.

306 **Seconded by** Selectman Goldman.

307 **In Favor**, Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
308 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Bucu.

309 **Motion passed unanimously.**

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311 **Motion by** Selectwoman Bucu made a motion to appoint Bruce Cleveland,
312 Cathy Gorman, Tony Piemont, Donna Green, Michael Costanza, Paula Martin
313 and Lisa Tapley to the Feasibility and Withdrawal Study Minority Committee.

314 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

315 **In Favor**, Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
316 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Bucu.

317 **Motion passed unanimously.**

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319 Selectwoman Bucu asked if she can have the first organizational meeting on
320 Wednesday, May 20th and asked for an agenda to be posted. Lynne asked if
321 she needs to hire a recording secretary to take and post minutes and
322 Selectwoman Bucu said they have a volunteer to take the minutes and she
323 would like the meetings to be televised as well. Lynne suggested she speak
324 with Chris Donnelan from the Cable Committee.

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326 Arthur Green volunteered to donate \$100.00 to get more Vimeo space so the
327 meeting can be taped and replayed.

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329 Selectwoman Bucu asked that a letter be sent to the Dept. of Education saying
330 that there is a Minority Committee so they are aware that two reports will be
331 coming, one from the Majority Committee and one from the Minority
332 Committee. She said if the Majority Committee filed their report in a few
333 weeks, the Dept. of Education knows there is another report coming.

334 Selectwoman Bucu said she was given Legal Counsel to file the letter this

335 letter. The consensus of the Board is to remove paragraph 2 from the letter as
336 it says the School Board hasn't taken full responsibility for the Majority
337 Committee. Selectman Goldman asked what that means and Selectwoman
338 Bucu said the School Board has not recognized this Committee as a School
339 Board sanctioned Committee, which is important as the Majority Committee
340 will need to request information and post minutes and have the documents
341 open to the public. She said this will be brought up at the next School Board
342 study. She said the School Board supports Kelly Ward getting together with
343 Selectwoman Bucu to form the Majority Committee.

344 Selectman Goldman suggested to ask Kelly Ward as an elected School Board
345 Rep. to come to an upcoming meeting and give the BOS an update on the plan
346 for the Majority Committee. Selectman Tombarello suggested meeting on
347 another night to accommodate Mr. Ward's schedule if he can't come in on a
348 Monday night.

349 Selectman Devine said he would sign the letter without paragraph 2 in it and
350 Selectman Goldman agrees it should be removed as well.

351 Cathy Gorman feels the Bd. of Education should be notified soon because if the
352 Majority Committee files their report early the Bd. of Education can't consider
353 that report until they receive the Minority Committee report, which has 180
354 complete it.

355 The consensus of the BOS is to remove paragraph 2 and send the letter to the
356 Bd. of Education.

357 **Motion by** Selectman Goldman to remove paragraph 2 from the letter to the
358 Dept. of Education.

359 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

360 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Tombarello and
361 Selectman Devine.

362 **Opposed** Selectwoman Bucu.

363 **Motion passes 4-1-0.**

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365 Lynne stated in the next paragraph the date refers to May 20th and the letter is
366 dated May 18th and wanted to know if the May 20th date should be changed to
367 May 18th and Selectman Bucu said yes. Lynne said she will add to the letter
368 that the Committee will hold its first meeting on May 20th.

369 Lynne said she will have the letter ready in the morning and the BOS can come
370 in and sign it.

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373 **LIAISON REPORT**
374 Selectman Tombarello – said Chief Gordon already spoke in regards to the
375 Police Station and he has nothing else to report.
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377 Selectman Devine – 2 Officer Fire Fighters are attending a class at St. Anslem’s
378 College in regards to fire prevention.
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380 Selectwoman Bucu – said the flags are going up and the grounds are being
381 cleaned up for the Memorial Day Parade and some roads are being repaired as
382 well. She also said last week was Police Officers week and she wanted to
383 thank all the Police Officers.
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385 Selectman Goldman – has nothing to report this week.
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387 Selectman Treanor – has nothing to report this week.
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389 Selectman Devine stated there is a ceremony at the State House for National
390 Police Week on Friday.
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392 Selectwoman Bucu said the lights are on at the library.
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394 Selectman Devine asked that a letter go out to Kelly Ward and Donna Green to
395 invite them in to give the BOS an update on the Feasibility and Withdrawal
396 Study.
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399 Motion to adjourn.
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401 Meeting adjourned at 9 pm
402 Respectfully submitted
403 Sue Reynolds