

1 DRAFT

2 BOARD OF SELECTMEN

3 TOWN OF SANDOWN, NH

4 SANDOWN, NH 03873

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6 **Meeting Date: June 1, 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 Buco (arrived at 7:05) and Selectman Tombarello.
15 Town Administrator: Lynne Blaidsell

16 **Recording Secretary:** Sue Reynolds

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

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20 Pledge of Allegiance was done.

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22 Selectman Devine asked the Board to review the minutes of Monday, May 11,
23 2015

24 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the minutes of Monday, May 11,
25 2015 as written.

26 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

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

29 **Motion passed unanimously.**

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33 Selectman Devine asked the Board to review the minutes of Monday, May 13,
34 2015

35 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the minutes of Monday, May 13,
36 2015 as written.

37 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

38 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine and
39 Selectman Tombarello.

40 **Motion passed unanimously.**

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42 Selectman Devine asked the Board to review the minutes of Monday, May 18,
43 2015

44 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the minutes of Monday, May 18,
45 2015 as written.

46 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

47 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine and
48 Selectman Tombarello.

49 **Motion passed unanimously.**

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51 Selectwoman Buco has arrived.

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53 There is no Public Comment this evening.

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55 **Jonathan Labbe, Eagle Scout requesting permission for a fundraiser on**
56 **town owned property.**

57 Jonathan Labbe stated that his project is to put up 2 flag poles at the new
58 police station and is looking to hold a fundraiser selling hamburgers, hot dots,
59 etc. at the Depot on June 14th, 20th and 28th. Lynne asked if he had checked
60 with the Historical Society and he said he has not. Lynne said she will send
61 them an email and forward it to Jonathan. Selectman Tombarello spoke well
62 of the Eagle Scouts in Town and all of the great work they are doing to better
63 the community. Lynne asked the BOS if there are date changes would that be
64 ok and they said yes. The consensus of the BOS is to approve the fundraiser.

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66 **Mike Devine, Joint Loss Management Committee Member**
67 **Review and possible acceptance of evacuation plan for Town Hall**
68 Mike is here presenting the BOS with an evacuation plan for Town Hall for
69 town employees. He is asking that all employees read it and sign it and this

70 procedure will be practiced once a year. Selectman Tombarello asked if this
71 was for visitors in Town Hall and Mike Devine said the third paragraph refers
72 to the visitors. Lynne asked if this is something that should be part of the
73 rental agreement and post and it was recommended that it be part of the
74 rental agreement. Selectman Devine suggested to add to call 911, and
75 Selectman Goldman suggested to change the wording to meeting place for
76 people that are downstairs to meet at the Fire Station and people that are
77 upstairs should meet at St. Matthew's parking lot. He said people downstairs
78 shouldn't be going upstairs to exit to get to St. Matthew's parking lot.
79 Selectman asked about returning to the building and Mike said he will add
80 that into the plan as well. He also said that his is written for the employees in
81 Town Hall and they should be meeting at the Fire Station. Lynne said the Joint
82 Loss Management Committee is mainly concerned about the employees and
83 not necessarily visitors to the Town Hall. Selectman Goldman suggested
84 removing the third paragraph that refers to the visitors if the plan is to protect
85 employees.

86 Mike said he will make the changes that the Board suggested.

87 **Motion by** Selectman Goldman to accept the Sandown Town Hall Emergency
88 Evacuation Plan with the recommended changes.

89 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

90 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
91 Selectwoman Bucu and Selectman Tombarello.

92 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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94 Mike Devine said the Library and Recreation Center also have an evacuation
95 plan in place and it is working well.

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97 **Patrick Colburn from Keach, Nordstrom & Associated and Arthur**
98 **Genuardo, Public Works Director.**

99 **Discussing 2015 Roadway Improvement Plan**

100 Patrick said the plan for this year is a carryover from 2014 as the warrant
101 article didn't pass last year. He said this plan includes a stretch of 3,300 ft of
102 Fremont Rd. as well the approach of Odell Rd., to Fremont Rd., and also two
103 other small sections, one on Cross Rd. and the other on Giodani Ln. Patrick
104 explained the work that will be done on each of the roads and said he is
105 prepared to put this in the paper this coming Sunday for competitive bids and
106 asked that they be opened on Thursday, June 25. During the bid period there
107 will be a mandatory site walk to be held on June 11th and the completion of the

108 project including the binder and paving on all three roads by September 4,
109 2015. Patrick said the final work will be done and completed by October 16,
110 2015. Artie said they have already taken down the necessary trees on
111 Fremont Rd. and cut the brush back to allow the sun to hit the roads.

112 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to advertise and put out for bid the 2015
113 Road Improvement Program for the streets listed above with the provisions
114 that were given in regards to the opening and deadlines.

115 **Seconded by** Selectman Goldman.

116 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
117 Selectwoman Bucu and Selectman Tombarello.

118 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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121 **NEW BUSINESS**

122 RPC Appointment of Doug Martin.

123 Lynne said that the Planning Board voted unanimously to appoint Doug
124 Martin to the RPC as the Sandown representative.

125 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to nominate Doug Martin as the Sandown
126 representative to the RPC.

127 **Seconded by** Selectman Goldman.

128 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
129 Selectwoman Bucu and Selectman Tombarello.

130 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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132 **Review of Recommendations of the Custodian/Maintenance Position.**

133 Lynne said since Ron Dulong is retiring she looked at the duties of the
134 Custodian at the Board's request and came up with 2 different positions and is
135 looking for input from the Board.

136 Lynne said she met with the Highway Dept., Recreation, Police Dept. and the
137 Fire Dept. as well as they utilize the cleaning/maintenance services. Lynne
138 said she also contacted some cleaning companies and didn't think it was
139 feasible for the Town to go in that direction.

140 What Lynne is proposing to the Board is that because there is currently an
141 opening in the Highway Department, she would like to split the current
142 custodian position into two positions. She is suggesting to make the position
143 at the Highway Dept. a full time position that will be a maintenance position.
144 She said this position would be responsible for all of the grounds and
145 maintenance on the Town buildings and when that is completed then Artie

146 can use them at the Highway Dept. Then Lynne suggested that the Board hire
147 a part time person to just do the cleaning in the buildings mentioned above.
148 She feels this would be a part time position and would like to start with about
149 20 hours and add more if needed. She said presented the Board with two
150 separate job descriptions but said that there will be some things that need to
151 be worked out such as larger jobs like waxing the floors and opening Town
152 Hall for events. Selectman Tombarello thanked Ron Dulong for his service and
153 all that he has done for the Town over the years as an employee and a
154 volunteer. Selectman Goldman asked if this would give Artie more hours to
155 help compete projects or other things that need to be done at the Highway
156 Dept and Artie said yes. Selectman Goldman also suggested to possibly hire
157 someone for evening hours that may need to earn a little extra money and
158 lives in Town. The Board is ok with the changes and suggested that Lynne and
159 Artie both do the interviews and the recommendations will be brought to the
160 BOS.

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162 Selectman Goldman said that he received a phone call from a resident that
163 lives on Rangeway Ave and is concerned about the proposal to use the
164 emergency access road behind Sandown North as recommended by the
165 Consolidation Committee. They are concerned about the additional traffic and
166 don't feel the condition of the road is safe. He wanted to bring it to the Board's
167 attention. Artie Genualdo also said he is not in favor of using this road as it
168 was made for a fire way and Rangeway Ave is need of a lot of work already.

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170 **OLD BUSINESS**

171 **Discussion regarding the contract with Granite State Communications**

172 Lynne said she received information from Granite State saying that there has
173 been an error in billing for the past few years. They are only being charged for
174 9 phones and they should be billed for 18. There were a few options for the
175 Town to repay the amount and after a brief discussion there was a
176 **Motion by** Selectman Goldman that Lynne exercises option 1, that the phones
177 and set up fees not being billed to the appropriate lines and backdate them to
178 May 11, 2013, And the Town will see the 25 month changes in July.

179 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

180 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Devine,
181 Selectwoman Buco and Selectman Tombarello.

182 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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184 Lynne Blaisdell reminded the Board that the Eagle Scout for Jared Magoon is
185 being held this Sunday, June 7th at 2pm. Selectman Devine, Tombarello,
186 Goldman and Selectwoman Buco said they are planning to attend.

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189 Selectwoman Buco spoke in regards to the Minority Committee and said she
190 received a letter of intent from Dave Darrah prior to the initial meeting. She
191 also said that since the first meeting there are a few Board members that will
192 need to resign as they are not able to meet the time constraints but will be
193 available to help if needed. Selectwoman Buco then said that she has 2 more
194 candidates to replace them and they are Michael Garone and Tina Buckley.
195 Selectman Tombarello asked who the members are that need to resign and
196 Selectwoman Buco said this hasn't been announced to the Committee yet so
197 she'd rather not say until the Committee has been notified.

198 **Motion by** Selectwoman Buco to nominate Dave Darrah, Michael Garone and
199 Tina Buckley to the Minority Committee until March 2016.

200 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

201 Selectman Goldman asked if the procedures for appointing committee
202 members has changed because he thought that all letters of intent should
203 come to the BOS. He continued to say that at the last meeting they voted to
204 create the Minority Committee and immediately had 8 members for a 9
205 member Committee. He feels that if members are resigning from the
206 Committee the new letters of intent should be brought to the BOS and there
207 should also be advertising for the openings as there is for all other
208 Committees. Selectman Goldman said one of the people in discussion went to
209 the last Minority meeting, sat at the table and participated in conversation and
210 took part in the voting as well and he isn't part of the Committee.

211 Selectwoman Buco disagrees and said this was public knowledge at multiple
212 meetings and people were asked to submit letters of intent. She also said she
213 was the selectwoman responsible for the Committee, which is why the letters
214 of interest went to her directly. Selectman Goldman referred to the Budget
215 Committee open positions and how the letters of intent would come directly
216 to the BOS and Selectwoman Buco said that is a different process. Selectman
217 Goldman said that he refuses to vote for anyone tonight as they did not go
218 through the correct process. Selectwoman Buco stated that the letters of
219 intent already received came from residents that have watched previous BOS
220 meetings and knew that the Committee was in the process of being formed.

221 **In Favor,** Selectman Devine, Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco.

222 ***Opposed***, Selectman Treanor and Selectman Goldman.

223 ***Motion passes 3-2-0***

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225 Lynne Blaisdell said that if there are residents that are not officially appointed
226 to a committee they should not be sitting at the table or voting on the issues
227 until they have been officially appointed by the BOS and Selectwoman Bucu
228 said the vote was not counted in the minutes. Lynne also stated the emails are
229 out of control with business being conducted via email and according to the
230 RSA public business is supposed to be conducted in a public meeting and she
231 continued to say that this is not just for this Committee. She said emails
232 should be kept to scheduling meeting dates and forwarding documents but all
233 comments should be held until the public meeting. Selectman Goldman asked
234 again if the BOS are changing the way vacancies are being filled on
235 Committees. He is concerned that the way the committee was filled last week
236 and then again this week is completely different from the way the BOS have
237 done this in the past. Selectman Devine stated that the Minority Committee
238 should be set up by the School Board and needs to inform the BOS. Selectman
239 Goldman said this is a Town based committee set up by the BOS last week and
240 Selectman Devine said it should be a School Board Committee according to the
241 RSA. Selectman Devine said it is ok for the BOS to create and fill a committee
242 but not be responsible for it and Lynne Blaidell disagrees and said it was a
243 committee formed and filled by the BOS therefore they should be responsible
244 for it. Lynne also said this committee is part of the Town website and if it was
245 a School Board Committee it would not be on the Town website. Selectman
246 Goldman is also concerned because at this point there are 11 people
247 appointed to a 9 person committee as 2 resignations haven't been accepted
248 yet and said that you can't frontload a committee.

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250 Selectman Devine asked about the Consolidation Committee Report and
251 Selectman Goldman said the report was presented to the School Board last
252 week and some of the recommendations were move 4th & 5th grade from
253 Sandown Central School to Sandown North and to move Sandown
254 kindergarten to Sandown Central School along with a district wide preschool.
255 Selectman Goldman also said there was a recommendation to work with the
256 Town of Sandown to gain access to the emergency exit behind Sandown North
257 to and also to put up additional green space and open fields. He said the full
258 report is available on the district website. Selectman Goldman said the School
259 Board voted in favor of the Sandown kindergarten moving to Sandown Central

260 School and the 4th & 5th graders moving to Sandown North. He also said the
261 School Board voted in favor of the Plaistow Learning Center and district wide
262 preschool moving to Sandown Central School. He said at the following School
263 Board meeting the remaining recommendations will be discussed. Selectman
264 Devine asked how Sandown North would be set up and Selectman Goldman
265 said there is talk about having the grades separated by the wings in the school
266 and the music and art programs will be on a rolling cart. He also said there
267 has been a transition team created to help with the actual consolidation.
268 Selectman Goldman also said one of the recommendations was to look at the
269 sprinkler system at Sandown North. Selectwoman Buco asked what purpose
270 has been served if they are moving some of the kids from North to Central and
271 vice versa. She also is also concerned that the budget has been zeroed out and
272 feels like the schools should be left the way they are. She also before the
273 information went to warrant the research should have been done ahead of
274 time so everyone knew what they were voting on. Selectman Goldman agrees
275 with Selectwoman Buco and feels that the questions should be directed to
276 Kelly Ward or Donna Green. Selectman Goldman suggested to invite
277 Superintendent Metzler and Nancy Steensen to the next BOS meeting to
278 answer questions and Selectman Tombarello said they have asked the
279 Sandown School Board reps to come to the meeting for the past few weeks
280 and they haven't come so he doesn't think that Superintendent Metzler or
281 Nancy Steensen will come either. Selectman Tombarello expresses his
282 frustration with the BOS meetings being consumed with School Board issues.
283 He said that he signed up to help run the Town of Sandown and over a few
284 employees but he is tired of conducting School Board business during these
285 meetings. Selectman Tombarello also said a few meetings ago the BOS
286 decided to come up with a list of questions to ask the School Board and that
287 didn't happen, then they invited Kelly Ward and Donna Green to come to
288 tonight's meeting and the chairs are still empty. Selectwoman Buco said she
289 doesn't want to keep going around in circles and the Minority Committee has
290 been formed and will be working on that end of this. She said that she would
291 like the Committees to be able to focus on getting the work done that is
292 needed to. She also asked Selectman Goldman to keep his comments in
293 regards to the Minority Committee off Face Book as she does not
294 misrepresentation out there on a public site. Selectman Goldman responded
295 by saying that he posted something on Face Book as a resident of the town
296 and not a BOS and feels he is entitled to do so. He also said that as a BOS he
297 has been extremely careful since he has been elected to not use social media

298 as a sounding board and things can get misunderstood. He said that he made
299 a post on Face Book today and then followed it up with an email to the School
300 Board as a resident of the Town and also sent it to the BOS as well. He said
301 this situation is beyond out of control. He also said that he is concerned that
302 there are a lot of families with young children looking to sell their homes and
303 move out of Town because they don't know how this is going to end up.

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306 **CORRESPONDENCE**

307 **Letter from NH Electric Coop**

308 Selectman Devine said the letter from NH Electric Coop states they will be
309 selectively applying herbicides to undesirable vegetation growing within
310 power line rights of way.

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312 **Letter from RPC**

313 The next RPC meeting will be held Wednesday, June 10th at Zorvinos and Doug
314 Martin will be attending and Lynne asks if anyone else would like to attend
315 she needs to know by June 3rd.

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317 ***Letter from Family Promise***

318 This is update to let the BOS know what is going on and Lynne said they are
319 holding a BBQ on June 6th at Calvery Bible Church in Derry.

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321 Selectman Goldman asked to read the post that he made on Face Book so
322 there would be no confusion and Selectman Devine allowed it. Selectwoman
323 Bucu said the School Board cannot evict the Town and the Minority
324 Committee is not to monitory the Majority Committee. She said it was formed
325 to actually do the study and she doesn't feel that they are in a fatal funnel. She
326 said that there are a lot of opinions out there and none of it is fact as they are
327 still in the process of collecting the data for the study.

328 Selectman Goldman is afraid that once the Minority Report is presented to the
329 School District and they feel it is feasible for Sandown to be removed from the
330 district and it goes to the ballot then the Town of Sandown has no chance to
331 say that is not what they to do. Selectwoman Bucu disagrees and feels that
332 Sandown will never be in a position to be evicted from the District regardless
333 of the vote of the entire District. Selectman Devine suggested that this
334 discussion come to an end.

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337 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the non-public minutes from
338 Monday, May 11, 2015 as written.
339 **Seconded by** Selectman Goldman.
340 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Devine, Selectman Goldman,
341 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco.
342 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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LIAISON REPORT

347 Selectman Tombarello – ZBA meeting had 3 cases they are reviewing and says
348 it’s a great board. He also said he would like an update from the Budget
349 Committee liaison as to the open positions. He also thanks Selectman Devine
350 for being the MC at the Memorial Day Ceremony and thanks Ron Dulong as
351 well.

352 Selectwoman Buco – There are still 3 openings on the Budget Committee
353 And Selectman Tombarello said this concerns him as this is now June 1st.
354 He asked if there is anyone listening if they are interested to let the BOS know.
355 Selectman Devine – nothing to report.
356 Selectman Goldman – nothing to report.
357 Selectman Treanor – nothing to report.

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359 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to adjourn.
360 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.
361 **In Favor,** Selectman Treanor, Selectman Devine, Selectman Goldman,
362 Selectman Tombarello and Selectwoman Buco.
363 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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366 Respectfully submitted
367 Sue Reynolds