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2 BOARD OF SELECTMEN

3 TOWN OF SANDOWN, NH

4 SANDOWN, NH 03873

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6 **Meeting Date: July 13, 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 and Selectwoman Bucu.

15 Town Administrator: Lynne Blaidsell

16 Recording Secretary: Sue Reynolds

17 **Not Present:** Selectman Tombarello.

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19 Pledge of Allegiance was done.

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21 Selectman Devine opened the meeting by thanking the Police, DPW and Fire  
22 Dept. for all they did to make the Chris Christie event last week a great  
23 success. Selectwoman Bucu also thanked Lynne and Paula for all of their hard  
24 work as well.

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26 Selectman Devine asked the Board to review the minutes of Monday, June 29,  
27 2015.

28 Selectman Goldman said that line 45 should read RFP instead of RIP and  
29 recording secretary, Sue Reynolds said that abbreviation stood for the Road  
30 Improvement Plan and Lynne said it could be changed to read RFP for the RIP.  
31 Lynne also stated that line 53 should read Motion by Selectman Tombarello to

32 award the Road Improvement Plan work to be done on the 4 roads to Busby  
33 Construction. Selectman Goldman also stated that line 103 should read Lynne  
34 said this is a letter to inform the Town of some discovery meetings.....

35 **Motion by** Selectwoman Buco to accept the minutes of Monday, June 29, 2015  
36 as amended.

37 **Seconded by** Selectman Treanor.

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

39 **Abstain**, Selectman Goldman.

40 **Motion passes 3-0-1.**

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### 43 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

44 Lynne stated that Girl Scout Troop 10765 will be doing a town wide clean up  
45 and if anyone is interested they can sign up at Town Hall or the Library. She  
46 also said the bags are provided and the Highway Dept. will come by on  
47 Monday to pick up the bags.

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49 Paula Gulla – OHD, wanted to let the public that nominations of Citizen of the  
50 Year are now being accepted through August 15<sup>th</sup> and they are doing 2 this  
51 year, one for adults and one for children in the community. She said the forms  
52 are at the Town Hall, on the website and also at the Library, Bruchetti's and  
53 the Post Office. She said you don't need to get 10 signatures but they do need  
54 to be a resident of Sandown. The awards will be given out at the OHD Fall  
55 Festival, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:45am at the Recreation building. She said the  
56 website will be updated soon and reminds everyone that the new dates are  
57 now September 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. Friday night will be an adult only dance with a  
58 chili cookoff a beer tent and live music. She also said as the event gets closer  
59 she will give the Board another update.

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61 Selectman Devine stated that the Fire Department will have their Annual  
62 Chicken BBQ on August 8<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm at the Fire Station.

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64 **Michelle Short – Town Clerk/Tax Collector – review of list of properties**  
65 **with unpaid property taxes.**

66 Michelle talked about the list she gave to the BOS with unpaid 2012 taxes and  
67 said that there are 3 that are still outstanding. She said the letters from the  
68 BOS went out and there was 1 property that the certified letter went out and  
69 was returned, but the letter that went regular mail did not come back as of yet

70 and asked the Board if she should have an officer hand deliver a notice to this  
71 property owner and the Board thought that would be a good idea. She also  
72 said that there was 1 property that both the certified letter and the letter that  
73 went regular mail came back and she had an officer hand deliver the notice to  
74 the property owner. Michelle said the 3<sup>rd</sup> piece of property is just a small  
75 parcel of land and Lynne said this homeowner passed away and it may be tied  
76 up in probate but she hasn't heard anything for sure. Lynne said the walk  
77 through with the BOS is set for August 10<sup>th</sup>. Michelle said she will write up the  
78 deed waivers stating that the Town will not be taking the property at this time  
79 and wait to see what happens with the walk through. Selectman Goldman  
80 asked Michelle at what point would she stop accepting money and she said  
81 she would take it at any point.

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83 Michelle also asked the residents to please register their dogs as she has 226  
84 phone calls to make for those that haven't yet.

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## 88 **NEW BUSINESS**

### 89 ***Discussion regarding Sandown/Danville v. Timberlane Regional School*** 90 ***District Petition.***

91 Selectman Goldman stated that the Town of Sandown entered into a law suit  
92 with the Town of Danville vs the Timberlane Regional School District in  
93 regards to a warrant article that was voted down in regards to Sandown  
94 Central School. Selectman Goldman said the two Boards met and it was  
95 agreed upon unanimously that both Boards would go in on this together. He  
96 said there are 4 separate issues that will be discussed and the court hearing is  
97 scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup> at 9am in Kingston, NH Superior Court. Selectman  
98 Goldman also said the School District filed an objection to the Town's request  
99 to a temporary restraining order. He also said that the Town of Sandown and  
100 the Town of Danville will split the cost of this 50/50 and they will be  
101 requesting from the district a refund of the applicable legal fees as well.  
102 Selectwoman said that if anyone is interested in the information being  
103 discussed they can contact the Town Hall to a copy of the documents.  
104 Donna Greene, School Board Representative stated that she is a defendant in  
105 this case and needs to be careful how she speaks in regards to this case. She  
106 wants the public to know that the School Board in general is not getting  
107 information in regards to the 3 legal suits confronting the district at this time.

108 Donna said she has a Right to Know suit filed against the district and has been  
109 appealed to the NH Supreme Court, there is a law suit regards to the Spanish  
110 teacher which is the first amendment civil rights case in Federal Court and the  
111 towns of Sandown & Danville vs the district as well. She said as a member of  
112 the School Board she did not receive any documentation about of any of the  
113 filings in regards to the Spanish teacher's suit. She said she received a copy of  
114 the case much later after it was filed through other channels but not the  
115 official channels. She also stated the School Board hasn't seen any legal  
116 documentation in regards to the objection to the request for the restraining  
117 order or any other legal documentation in regards to the Spanish teacher's  
118 suit. She wants the public to know she can't answer questions at this time in  
119 regards to the suite of Sandown & Danville vs. the school district as she is a  
120 defendant in the case and in regards to the suite vs the Spanish teacher, the  
121 School Board is not receiving any information on that either.  
122 Donna also stated that there is a School Board newsletter that was released  
123 today that lists colleges and postsecondary education that seniors were  
124 accepted to and she encourages the public to look at it as it is an impressive  
125 list. She said it is on the TRSD website.

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127 Lynne Blaisdell said she received the agreement from Busby Construction in  
128 regards to the Road Improvement Plan and they executed and returned the  
129 notice of award along with the performance and payment bonds and their  
130 insurance information as well. Lynne asked the Board to give the Chairman  
131 permission to sign it so they can move forward with the RIP this summer.

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133 **OLD BUSINESS**

134 There was no old business this evening.

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137 **CORRESPONDENCE**

138 Email from DES

139 Lynne said she received an email from DES in regards to the MTBE well  
140 monitoring and sampling that has been taking place the past few weeks. The  
141 report stated that 112 homes and businesses were targeted for sampling and  
142 of that 59 of the wells were analyzed for chemicals and MTBE and only 5 had  
143 detection of the MTBE and all of those detections were below state drinking  
144 water standards. She said 1 location was at the highway department and that  
145 is being monitored. Lynne said the entire packet is in the office for the Board

146 to review at any time. She also said that there were about half of the people  
147 contacted that didn't respond and if they are interested in having their well  
148 tested they should contact the Selectman's office and she will contact DES.  
149 Selectman Devine said the original spill was near the Depot at the Recycling  
150 area and lots were measured within 1 mile.

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### 152 **Mosquito Control Update**

153 Lynne said the monthly update is in the packet to let the Board know what has  
154 been tested and treated. She said this info is posted on the Town website as  
155 well and there have been no positive results found as of yet.

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### 157 **Abutter Notice**

158 Lynne said she received a letter from the Planning Board in regards to an  
159 abutters notice for property on Wells Village Rd. as there is an application in  
160 for a 25 lot subdivision. She said the hearing is scheduled for July 21<sup>st</sup> at Town  
161 Hall at 7:15 and another hearing to follow at 7:45.

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### 164 **LIAISON REPORT**

165 Selectwoman Bucu – She said the Police Department looks great and Chief  
166 Gordon is doing a good job to finish things up. She also thanked the Highway  
167 Department for all they did for Governor Christie's visit. She also said she  
168 hasn't heard of any interest in the Budget Committee open positions and  
169 Lynne said that she received one letter of interest that was forwarded to the  
170 Budget Committee as they are the appointing Committee. Selectman Bucu  
171 said there is still one opening in the Minority Committee and the next meeting  
172 for the Majority Committee has not yet been scheduled.

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174 Selectman Devine – He thanked the Fire Department for their hard work as  
175 well for the Chris Christie event and that the Chicken BBQ will be on August  
176 8<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm.

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178 Selectman Goldman – He said the Conservation Commission met but has  
179 nothing to report and said the Building Inspectors are self-sufficient.

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181 Selectman Treanor - He had nothing to report as Paula Gulla did a public  
182 comment earlier in the meeting.

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184 Selectman Goldman asked Selectwoman Buco when the last meeting took  
185 place for the Majority Committee and where they are at and Selectwoman  
186 Buco said their last meeting was held on June 16, 2015 and there is not  
187 another one scheduled at this time.  
188 Selectwoman Buco asked Lynne if the minutes of the Majority Committee's  
189 meeting can be put on the website with the Minority Committee's meeting and  
190 Lynne said they don't usually post minutes that isn't Town Business but she  
191 can put a link on our website to the School District website where the minutes  
192 are posted. Selectman Goldman asked when the 180 days is up and  
193 Selectwoman Buco said sometime in October.

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195 **Motion by** Selectwoman Buco to accept the non-public minutes of Monday,  
196 June 29th as amended.

197 **Seconded by** Selectman Goldman.

198 Lynne said she will keep the changes of the minutes in her file.

199 **In Favor**, Selectwoman Buco, Selectman Devine, Selectman Treanor.

200 **Abstain**, Selectman Goldman.

201 **Motion passes 3-0-1.**

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203 Motion by Selectman Goldman to adjourn.

204 Seconded by Selectman Treanor.

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207 Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

208 Respectfully submitted

209 Sue Reynolds