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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 9, 2018**

7 **Type of Meeting: Regular**

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

9 **Meeting Location: Town Hall**

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12 **Members Present:** Selectman Cleveland, Selectman Hudgins, Selectman Goldman and
13 Selectman Brown, Attorney Michael Elwell, Town Counsel
14 Others: Joseph Gordon, Police Chief, Christopher Rothwell, Officer and Roger Travers,
15 Teamsters Union Representative

16 **Not Present:** Selectman Tombarello

17 **Town Administrator:** Lynne Blaisdell

18 **Recording Secretary:** Sue Reynolds

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21 Selectman Goldman opened the meeting at 6 pm and asked Officer Rothwell if he wanted
22 this meeting to be in public or non-public and he said non-public. Officer Rothwell is being
23 represented by the union attorney Roger Travers.

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25 **Motion by** Selectman Brown to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (a)
26 employee matters, (c) reputation and (e) litigation.

27 **Seconded by** Selectman Cleveland

28 **Roll Call,** Selectman Cleveland – yes, Selectman Brown – yes, Selectman Goldman – yes and
29 Selectman Hudgins - yes

30 **Motion passes unanimously**

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33 **Motion by** Selectman Cleveland to seal the minutes of this non-public session.

34 **Seconded by** Selectman Brown.

35 **In Favor,** Selectman Cleveland, Selectman Goldman, Selectman Brown and Selectman
36 Hudgins.

37 **Motion passes unanimously.**

38 It was decided to have this portion of the meeting in public discussion.
39 Arthur Genualdo, Public Works Director came to the table to discuss his budget.
40 Selectman Goldman said they are reviewing all of the budgets at this time and his budget
41 only has 32% remaining and it should be at 50% as of June 30,2018. The Board is
42 especially concerned because this is a default year and asked Artie if he had a plan for the
43 remainder of the year. Artie said he was planning to switch some of his Block Grant money
44 to cover some of the winter expenses, but he was waiting to do so towards the end of the
45 year. Lynne feels this is a good idea to wait for a bit to switch this as the Block Grant money
46 can be encumbered. Artie said he currently has about \$132,900.00 left of the Block Grant
47 money and is hoping to put about \$100,00.00 into the budget. He also said he is facing
48 major issues due to the ongoing spring storms. He said he still has a good amount of
49 shoulder work left. Artie also stated that he is not spending any unnecessary money, but it
50 is difficult to run his department on this tight of a budget. He stated that he is also in need
51 of a new sanding truck and was hoping to get a new used vehicle this year. Selectman
52 Goldman said it would be a good idea to start a Capital Reserve Fund for this purpose and
53 Lynne stated this fund already exists, but there is never any money left at the end of the
54 year to put money into it. Lynne stated the Highway budget is one that can request from
55 the DOR to take money from the fund balance, but they need a few week's notice to make
56 that request. Lynne said she will look into how this will work and how much they can
57 actually use. Selectman Cleveland feels it is better to be prepared and not need it. The
58 Board will talk with Cheryl about how taking this money will affect the tax rate for the
59 following year and Lynne will look into the process with the DOR and if it can even be done
60 in a default year.
61 Artie then updated the Board on the Road Improvement Plan and said he is waiting on the
62 wetland permit for Reed Rd. and Sargent Rd. He said the permit for Sargent Rd. can take up
63 to 60 days and Reed Rd. should take about 30 days. Artie said his plan for paving is to
64 advertise in the paper on July 15th, have the site walk on July 24th, have the bid opening on
65 August 2nd and award the bid at either the August 6th or August 13th meeting.
66 The Board thanked Artie for coming in and speaking with them.

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69 **Motion by** Selectman Brown to adjourn.

70 **Seconded by** Selectman Cleveland.

71 **In Favor,** Selectman Cleveland, Selectman Brown, Selectman Hudgins and Selectman
72 Goldman.

73 **Motion passes unanimously.**

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80 Respectfully Submitted

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83 Sue Reynolds