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Budget Committee Minutes
Town of Sandown, NH

Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 13, 2012
Type of Meeting: Public Hearing, Final Budget Meeting and Warrant Article Review
Method of Notification: Public posting – Town Hall & Post Office
Meeting Location: Town Hall, Second Floor

Members Present: Bruce Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello (*Selectman Ex-Officio*) (sitting in for Selectwoman Copp), Dawn Nicolaisen, Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard and Cathy Gorman.
Office Manager Lynne Blaisdell, Paula Gulla and Finance Director Darlene Ford.
Recording Secretary: Sue Reynolds

Meeting was called to order by Chair Mindy Salomone-Abood at 7:03 PM.

Chairman Mindy Salomone-Abood reviewed the procedures of the evening and stated that Robert’s Rules will apply. She said that the budgets will be voted on as normal with a yeah nor neigh vote but the warrant articles will have a roll call vote. She also asked that any comments or questions be directed to her and not to other individuals in the room and keep to the subject matter at hand.

Mindy Salomone-Abood asked the Committee to review the minutes of Wednesday, December 14, 2011. Cathy Gorman stated that on line 37 the last word should be final.
Motion by Bruce Cleveland to accept the minutes of December 14, 2011 as amended.
Seconded by Robert Millard.
In Favor Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard and Cathy Gorman.

31 ***Abstain*** Selectman Tombarello

32 ***Motion passes 6-0-1***

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34 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Executive Account budget 4130.0 on the***
35 ***table for discussion.***

36 ***Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.***

37 Mindy Salomone-Abood asks for clarification in regards to the web master position.

38 Lynne Blaisdell explained that as of right now the current web master will remain in that
39 position. She said this is something the BOS will discuss in the near future to keep her
40 working a few hours per week on the web site. Mindy then asked about the Planning
41 Board Aide and Lynne said at this time this is the only position that the Planning Board
42 Aide has been appointed to.

43 ***Motion by*** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Executive Account budget.

44 ***Seconded by*** Robert Millard.

45 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard and
46 Cathy Gorman.

47 ***Opposed*** Dawn Nicolaisen and Selectman Tombarello.

48 ***Motion passes 5-2-0***

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50 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Town Clerk Account budget 4140.1 on***
51 ***the table for discussion.***

52 ***Seconded by Robert Millard.***

53 There was no comment on this budget.

54 ***Motion by*** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Town Clerk Account budget.

55 ***Seconded by*** Selectman Tombarello.

56 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard and
57 Cathy Gorman.

58 ***Opposed*** Dawn Nicolaisen and Selectman Tombarello.

59 ***Motion passes 5-2-0***

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63 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Election & Registration Account budget**
64 **4140.2 (Moderator) on the table for discussion.**

65 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

66 There was no comment on this budget.

67 **Motion by Bruce Cleveland to accept the Election & Registration Account budget.**

68 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

69 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard and
70 Cathy Gorman, Dawn Nicolaisen and Selectman Tombarello.

71 **Motion passes unanimously**

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73 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Election & Registration Account budget**
74 **4140.2 (Supervisor of the check list) on the table for discussion.**

75 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

76 There was no comment on this budget.

77 **Motion by Bruce Cleveland to accept the Election & Registration Account budget.**

78 **Seconded by Selectman Tomabrello.**

79 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard and
80 Cathy Gorman, Dawn Nicolaisen and Selectman Tombarello.

81 **Motion passes unanimously**

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83 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Finance Director Account budget 4150.1**
84 **on the table for discussion.**

85 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

86 There was no comment on this budget.

87 **Motion by Bruce Cleveland to accept the Finance Director Account budget.**

88 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

89 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard and
90 Cathy Gorman.

91 **Opposed** Dawn Nicolaisen and Selectman Tombarello.

92 **Motion passes 5-2-0**

93 Chairman Mindy Salomone-Abood asked that when approving the budgets that the dollar
94 amounts of the Net, Revenue and Gross Expenses be included in the motions.

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96 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Assessing Account budget 4150.3 on the***
97 ***table for discussion.***

98 ***Seconded by Robert Millard.***

99 There was no comment on this budget.

100 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to accept the Assessing Account budget with Gross***
101 ***Expenses of \$81,900.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$81,900.00.***

102 ***Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.***

103 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard and
104 Cathy Gorman, Dawn Nicolaisen and Selectman Tombarello.

105 ***Motion passes unanimously***

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108 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Tax Collector Account budget 4150.4 on***
109 ***the table for discussion.***

110 ***Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.***

111 There was no comment on this budget.

112 ***Motion by Selectman Tombarello to accept the Tax Collector Account with Gross***
113 ***Expenses of \$59,607.08, Revenue of \$11,959,841.30 and Net Expenses of***

114 ***-\$11,900,234.22.***

115 ***Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.***

116 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard and
117 Cathy Gorman.

118 ***Opposed*** Dawn Nicolaisen and Selectman Tombarello.

119 ***Motion passes 5-2-0***

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121 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Treasurer Account budget 4150.5 on the***
122 ***table for discussion.***

123 ***Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.***

124 There was no comment on this budget.

125 **Motion by** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Treasurer Account budget with Gross Expenses
126 of \$3,850.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$3,850.00.

127 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

128 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
129 Cathy Gorman, Selectman Tombarello.

130 **Opposed** Dawn Nicolaisen.

131 **Motion passes 6-1-0**

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133 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Budget Committee Account 4150.9 on**
134 **the table for discussion.**

135 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

136 There was no comment on this budget.

137 **Motion by** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Budget Committee Account with Gross
138 Expenses of \$2,427.75, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expense of \$2,427.75.

139 **Seconded by** Selectman Tomabarello.

140 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
141 Cathy Gorman, Selectman Tombarello.

142 **Opposed** Dawn Nicolaisen.

143 **Motion passes 6-1-0**

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145 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to move the Benefits Account to the end of the**
146 **budgets in case there are any changes that will affect this budget.**

147 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

148 There was no comment on this motion.

149 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
150 Cathy Gorman, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen.

151 **Motion passes unanimously**

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155 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Planning Board Account budget 4191.1**
156 **on the table for discussion.**

157 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

158 Mindy Salomone-Abood asked about the Planning Board Aide position being filled at a
159 rate of \$18.00. Lynne Blaisdell said that is correct.

160 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the payroll amount for the Planning Board**
161 **Aide to \$18.00 per hour bringing the total payroll for that position to \$15,300.00.**

162 **Seconded by Cathy Gorman.**

163 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,
164 Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen.

165 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland

166 **Motion passes 6-1—0**

167 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to change the Payroll line to \$20,076.00.**

168 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

169 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

170 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

171 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

172 **Motion by Bruce Cleveland to accept the Planning Account budget with Gross Expenses**
173 **of \$32,976.00, Revenue of \$4,000.00 and Net Expenses of \$28,976.00.**

174 **Seconded by** Cathy Gorman.

175 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

176 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

177 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

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179 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the ZBA Account budget 4194.0 on the table**
180 **for discussion.**

181 **Seconded by** Cathy Gorman.

182 **Motion by** Robert Millard to reduce the Administrative Aide payroll amount to \$15.92
183 per hour.

184 **Seconded by** Cathy Gorman.

185 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

186 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.
187 **Motion passes 4-3-0**
188 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Payroll line amount to \$887.54.
189 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.
190 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.
191 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.
192 **Motion passes 4-3-0**
193 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to accept the ZBA Account budget with Gross
194 Expenses of \$1,957.54, Revenue of \$500.00 and Net Expenses of \$1,457.54.
195 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.
196 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.
197 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.
198 **Motion passes 4-3-0**
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200 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Government Building Account budget**
201 **4194.0 on the table for discussion.**
202 **Seconded by Bruce Clevaland.**
203 There was no comment on this budget.
204 **Motion by** Selectman Tomabrello to accept the Government Building Account with
205 Gross Expenses of \$89,417.72, Revenue of \$5,000.00 and Net Expenses of \$84,417.72.
206 **Seconded by** Bruce Clevaland.
207 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman,
208 Bruce Clevalnd.
209 **Opposed** Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.
210 **Motion passes 5-2-0**
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212 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Cemetery Account budget 4195.0 on the**
213 **table for discussion.**
214 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**
215 There was no comment on this budget.

216 **Motion by** Selectman Tomabrello to accept the Cemetery Account budget with Gross
217 Expenses of \$3,000.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$3,000.00.

218 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

219 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman,
220 Bruce Cevalnd, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

221 **Motion passes unanimously**

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223 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Insurance Account budget 4196.0 on the**
224 **table for discussion.**

225 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

226 There was no comment on this budget.

227 **Motion by** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Insurance Account budget with Gross Expenses
228 of \$92,562.54, Revenue of 0.00 and Net Expenses of \$92,562.54.

229 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

230 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman,
231 Bruce Cevalnd, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

232 **Motion passes unanimously**

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234 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Trustees Account budget 4199.0 on the**
235 **table for discussion.**

236 **Seconded by Selectman Tomabrello.**

237 There was no comment on this budget.

238 **Motion by** Selectman Tomabrello to accept the Trustees Account with Gross Expenses of
239 \$325.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$325.00.

240 **Seconded by** Bruce Cleveland.

241 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman,
242 Bruce Cevalnd, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

243 **Motion passes unanimously**

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247 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Police Account budget 4210.0 on the**
248 **table for discussion.**

249 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

250 **Motion by Robert Millard to reduce the hourly rate of the Police Chief to \$30.16 per**
251 **hour.**

252 **Seconded by Cathy Gorman.**

253 Public comment from Hans Nicolaisen and he asks some of the Committee members to
254 reconsider their vote in removing the 2% salary increase. He said this is something that
255 the BOS and Department Heads voted on together and it is a merit based increase. He
256 said the Town has good employees and they came up with the increase in order to keep
257 them. He also said he doesn't feel it is up to the Budget Committee to decide if an
258 employee should or should not receive an increase. Another public comment came from
259 Chuck Crowe and he stated that the Town cannot maintain good employees if they are
260 not given raises. He states that a merit raise is something that the employee has earned
261 because they deserve it. Hans came back up to say that if the second warrant article
262 passes and the number that is on the warrant article as it is, it is \$103,000 less than the
263 2011 budget. He feels there is plenty of room to award the increases that were approved
264 in the amount of about \$16,000.00 for the entire Town.

265 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

266 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

267 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

268 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the pay rate for the Chief to \$62,732.80.**

269 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

270 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

271 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

272 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

273 **Motion by Robert Millard to reduce the Administrative Sgt. rate to \$24.80 per hour.**

274 **Seconded by Cathy Gorman.**

275 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

276 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

277 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

278 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Administrative Sgt. payroll to
279 \$51,584.00.

280 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

281 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

282 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

283 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

284 **Motion by** Robert Millard to reduce the Evening Sgt. rate to \$26.08 per hour.

285 **Seconded by** Cathy Gorman.

286 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

287 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

288 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

289 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Overtime amount to \$25,035.17. This
290 is to adjust the pay raise for the previous three reductions.

291 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

292 Selectman Tombarello asked if this is for all employees or just the three officers that
293 were just reduced. Mindy said the total amount is for all officers according to the sheet in
294 the budget packet.

295 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

296 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

297 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

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299 Lynne asked if the Budget Committee can slow down just a bit so the Finance Director
300 can stay caught up on the changes.

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302 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Evening Sgt. payroll to \$54,246.40.

303 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

304 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

305 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

306 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

307 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to approve the Police Account budget with Gross
308 Expenses of \$515,036.38, Revenue of \$6,684.84 and Net Expenses of \$508,351.54.

309 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

310 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

311 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

312 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

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315 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Rescue Account budget 4215.0 on the**
316 **table for discussion.**

317 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

318 There was no comment on this budget.

319 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Rescue Account with Gross Expenses of
320 \$42,699.0, Revenue of \$1.00 and Net Expenses of \$42,698.

321 **Seconded by** Bruce Cleveland.

322 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce
323 Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

324 **Motion passes unanimously**

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327 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Fire Account budget 4220.0 on the table**
328 **for discussion.**

329 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

330 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Fire Chief's payroll to \$27.87 for the
331 39 weeks totaling \$43,477.20.

332 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

333 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Cathy Gorman.

334 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Ralph Millard.

335 **Motion Fails 3-4-0**

336 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello** to accept the Fire Account with Gross Expenses of
337 \$123,343.20, Revenue of \$100.00 and Net Expenses of \$123,243.20.

338 **Seconded by** Bruce Cleveland.

339 ***In favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce Cleveland,
340 Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello,

341 ***Opposed*** Robert Millard.

342 ***Motion passes 6-1-0***

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344 Public comment from Deb Brown, Deb is glad to see that the increase was not cut, but
345 she would like to know the Budget Committee's reasoning as to why they feel some
346 employees deserve raises and others don't. She asks if someone can explain that to her.
347 Ralph Millard said he feels that the fire chief and all firemen put their lives on the line
348 when they answer a call and sacrificing their life. He said a fireman and a secretary are
349 two different situations. Selectman Tombarello asked about the policemen as well. They
350 were just cut and they put their life on the line every time they answer a domestic
351 violence call or other calls as well. Ralph Millard said he will fight for the Police Union
352 Contract when it comes up. Selectman Tombarello said the three officers that just lost
353 their increase would lay their lives on the line if they needed to as well.

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356 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Building Inspector Account budget***
357 ***4241.0 on the table for discussion.***

358 ***Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.***

359 There was not comment on this budget.

360 ***Motion by*** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Building Inspector Account with Gross
361 Expenses of \$9,050.00, Revenue of \$10,010.00 and Net Expenses of -\$960.00.

362 ***Seconded by*** Selectman Tombarello.

363 ***In favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce
364 Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello.

365 ***Abstain*** Dawn Nicolaisen

366 ***Motion passes 6-0-1***

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370 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Code Enforcement Account budget**
371 **4241.3 on the table for discussion.**

372 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

373 **Motion by Robert Millard to reduce the payroll amount to \$16.89 per hour.**

374 **Seconded by Cathy Gorman.**

375 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

376 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen

377 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

378 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Payroll line to \$3,513.12.**

379 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

380 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

381 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen

382 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

383 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to accept the Code Enforcement Account with Gross**

384 **Expenses of \$3,513.12, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$3,515.12.**

385 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

386 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

387 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen

388 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

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391 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Plumbing Inspection Account budget**

392 **4241.4 on the table for discussion.**

393 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

394 There was no comment on this budget.

395 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to accept the Plumbing Inspection Account with Gross**

396 **Expenses of \$5,850.00, Revenue of \$7,200.00 and Net Expenses of -\$1,350.00.**

397 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

398 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce

399 **Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen**

400 **Motion passes unanimously**

401 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Electrical Inspection Account budget**
402 **4241.5 on the table for discussion.**

403 **Seconded by Mindy Salomone-Abood.**

404 There was no comment on this budget.

405 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to accept the Electrical Inspection Account with**
406 **Gross Expenses of \$4,405.00, Revenue of \$5,180.00 and Net Expenses of -\$775.00.**

407 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

408 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce
409 Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen

410 **Motion passes unanimously**

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413 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Septic Account budget 4242.1 on the**
414 **table for discussion.**

415 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

416 There was no comment on this budget.

417 **Motion by Bruce Cleveland to accept the Septic Account with Gross Expenses of**
418 **\$2,000.00, Revenue of \$2,550.00 and Net Expenses of -\$550.00.**

419 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

420 **In favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce
421 Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen

422 **Motion passes unanimously**

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425 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Highway Facility Account budget 4311.0**
426 **on the table for discussion.**

427 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

428 There was no comment on this budget.

429 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to accept the Highway Facility Account with Gross**
430 **Expenses of \$9,868.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$9,868.00.**

431 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

432 ***In favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Ralph Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce
433 Cleveland, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen

434 ***Motion passes unanimously***

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437 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Highway Operating Account budget***
438 ***4312.0 on the table for discussion.***

439 ***Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.***

440 Public Comment from Hans Nicolaisen. He would urges the Budget Committee to
441 realize what they are doing by cutting the \$100,000.00 from this budget. He said the
442 block grant money has decreased this year and the number of road maintenance has
443 increased. The money has been left in the budget in case the road improvement warrant
444 article didn't pass. He says if the Road Improvement article fails there will be no money
445 to even do maintenance on the roads that need it. He encourages the Committee to put the
446 \$100,000.00 back into the line item of the budget. He said if that was done the warrant
447 article would be reduced by the \$100,000.00. Bruce Cleveland says that he shares the
448 same concern that the residents might not recognize the \$100,000.00 is only in the
449 warrant article and maybe a year from now they will be with no money if the warrant
450 article does not pass. He also says that if you miss just one year of road repair then you
451 end up paying more for repairs in the long run. He said this does concern him and
452 encourages people to vote for the warrant article.

453 ***Motion by*** Selectman Tombarello to put the \$100,000.00 back into the budget on the
454 Paving line and remove it from the warrant article.

455 ***Seconded by*** Dawn Nicolaisen.

456 Deb Brown backs Hans Nicolaisen and asks if the Committee has an alternative plan to
457 repair the roads if the warrant article is voted down. Mindy Salomone-Abood said that
458 was a public comment and no one on the Committee needs to respond. Bruce Cleveland
459 said he feels the money is properly allocated and residents need to realize that all of the
460 money is in the warrant article and not in the budget. He said he likes the creativity that
461 was used a few years ago to have it both places, but it's time to have it in the correct
462 place, which is the warrant article. Hans Nicolaisen said that if the warrant article fails

463 and the \$100,000.00 is kept in the budget then the Road Agent has money to at least
464 repair the roads in need of improvement.

465 ***In favor*** Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

466 ***Opposed*** Bruce Cleveland, Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
467 Cathy Gorman.

468 ***Motion fails 2-5-0***

469 Public Comment by Leo Reynolds. Leo said that he works for a highway department in
470 another Town and said that if the warrant article fails, then the Town will be stuck and
471 not have money for the roads in need. He feels what was done will hurt the Town.

472 Motion by Robert Millard to accept the Highway Operating Account with Gross
473 Expenses of \$414,326.96, Revenue of \$350.00 and Net Expenses of \$413,976.96.

474 Seconded by Cathy Gorman.

475 ***In Favor*** Bruce Cleveland, Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
476 Cathy Gorman.

477 ***Opposed*** Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

478 ***Motion passes 5-2-0***

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481 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Street Light Account budget 4316.0 on***
482 ***the table for discussion.***

483 ***Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.***

484 There was no comment on this budget.

485 ***Motion by*** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Street Light Account with Gross
486 Expenses of \$4,225.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$4,225.00.

487 ***Seconded by*** Bruce Cleveland.

488 ***In Favor*** Bruce Cleveland, Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
489 Cathy Gorman, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello.

490 ***Motion passes unanimously***

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494 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Sanitation Facility Account budget**
495 **4321.0 on the table for discussion.**

496 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

497 There was no comment on this budget.

498 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Sanitation Facility Account with Gross
499 Expenses of \$7,170.00, Revenue of \$1.00 and Net Expenses of \$7,169.00.

500 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

501 **In Favor** Bruce Cleveland, Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
502 Cathy Gorman, Selectman Tombarello, Dawn Nicolaisen

503 **Motion passes unanimously**

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506 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Sanitation Operating Account budget**
507 **4324.0 on the table for discussion.**

508 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

509 There was no comment on this budget.

510 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Sanitation Operating Account with Gross
511 Expenses of \$344,187.92, Revenue of \$15,000.00 and Net Expenses of \$329,187.92.

512 **Seconded by** Mindy Salomone-Abood.

513 **In Favor** Bruce Cleveland, Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
514 Cathy Gorman, Selectman Tombarello.

515 **Opposed** Dawn Nicolaisen

516 **Motion passes 6-1-0**

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519 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Health Officer Account budget 4411.0 on**
520 **the table for discussion.**

521 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

522 **Motion by** Robert Millard to the hourly rate to \$16.89.

523 **Seconded by** Cathy Gorman.

524 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman.

- 525 **Opposed** Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.
- 526 **Motion passes 4-3-0**
- 527 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Payroll line to \$3,513.12.
- 528 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.
- 529 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman.
- 530 **Opposed** Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.
- 531 **Motion passes 4-3-0**
- 532 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to accept the Health Officer Account with Gross
- 533 Expenses of \$4,063.12, Revenue of \$50.00 and Net Expenses of \$4,013.12.
- 534 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.
- 535 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman.
- 536 **Opposed** Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.
- 537 **Motion passes 4-3-0**
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- 540 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Sanitation Site Account budget 4325.0 on**
- 541 **the table for discussion.**
- 542 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**
- 543 There was no comment on this budget.
- 544 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Sanitation Site Account with Gross
- 545 Expenses of \$3,000.00, Revenue of \$1.00 and Net Expenses of \$2,999.00.
- 546 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.
- 547 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Dawn
- 548 Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.
- 549 **Motion passes unanimously**
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- 552 **Motion by Bruce Cleveland to put the Recycling Account budget 4326.0 on the table**
- 553 **for discussion.**
- 554 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**
- 555 There was no comment on this budget.

556 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Recycling Account with Gross Expenses
557 of \$49,250.00, Revenue of \$15,000.00 and Net Expenses of \$34,250.00.

558 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

559 Selectman Nicolaisen thanks the operator of the Sanitation site for the big increase in
560 revenue. He also says this is why he feels employees deserve raises this year, because of
561 the work they are doing for the Town.

562 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Dawn
563 Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.

564 **Motion passes unanimously**

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567 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Animal Control Account budget 4414.0 on**
568 **the table for discussion.**

569 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

570 There was no comment on this budget.

571 **Motion by** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Animal Control Account with Gross Expenses
572 of \$18,080.85, Revenue of \$500.00 and Net Expenses of \$17,580.00.

573 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

574 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Dawn
575 Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.

576 **Motion passes unanimously**

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579 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Health & Human Services Account budget**
580 **4415.0 on the table for discussion.**

581 **Seconded by Mindy Salomone-Abood.**

582 There was no comment on this budget.

583 **Motion by** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Health & Human Services Account with Gross
584 Expenses of \$23,146.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$23,146.00.

585 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

586 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Dawn
587 Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.

588 ***Motion passes unanimously***

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591 ***Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Community Assistance Account budget***
592 ***4445.0 on the table for discussion.***

593 ***Seconded by Robert Millard.***

594 There was no comment on this budget.

595 ***Motion by*** Bruce Cleveland to accept the Community Assistance Account with Gross
596 Expenses of \$14,151.00, Revenue of \$500.00 and Net Expenses of \$13,651.00.

597 ***Seconded by*** Selectman Tomberallo.

598 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Dawn
599 Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.

600 ***Motion passes unanimously***

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603 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Parks & Recreation Account budget***
604 ***4520.0 on the table for discussion.***

605 ***Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.***

606 Ralph Millard feels that there is a conflict of interest as there are 2 Selectman serves on
607 the Recreation Commission and one of their wives is the Recreation Director. He feels
608 that when a budget is approved by the Recreation Board, then it goes up to the BOS and
609 the same two BOS are voting on the same budget they requested. Mindy said it is up to
610 the Budget Committee to approve or disapprove the budgets, even though they may be
611 recommended by the BOS. Selectman Tombarello said he is pretty sure that Selectman
612 Brown does not vote on recreation budgets. Mindy also said this doesn't have anything
613 to do with the Budget Committee process.

614 ***Motion by*** Robert Millard to reduce the Mileage line to \$1,000.00 as he remembers the
615 Recreation Director saying that the new copier at the recreation building will eliminate
616 the amount of mileage used.

617 **Seconded by** Ralph Millard.

618 Bruce Cleveland asked Robert Millard to explain why he is decreasing this amount.

619 Robert said he remembered the Recreation Director saying at their last meeting that
620 because there is a copier at the recreation building now, she would not be driving as
621 many miles back and forth to Town Hall. Bruce Cleveland said the IRS amount per mile
622 has increased even if the mileage amount has gone down. Selectman Tombarello said the
623 Recreation Director turns in all mileage to the BOS on a monthly basis and he feels that
624 she doesn't even turn in all of the mileage that she drives. He is not in favor of reducing
625 this amount. Dawn Nicolaisen said that she does not have the minutes in front of her
626 from that meeting but she doesn't remember it being quite the way Robert is saying. Deb
627 Brown came up and said the IRS sets the mileage rate and last year is was .50 per mile
628 but after the budget was submitted the amount by the IRS increased to .55 per mile. She
629 also said she doesn't have to run down to the Town Hall every time she has to make a
630 copy and she also doesn't charge the Town all of her mileage. If she did it would be a lot
631 more than what she is asking for. Hans Nicolaisen said if there is an increase it would be
632 due to the amount of the increase in the programs that are being run. Robert Millard said
633 the mileage has nothing to do with her job, he is making the motion to remove the
634 mileage money based on what Deb's earlier comment was. Hans again said that is the
635 Recreation Direction's job to go from field to field or place to place. Deb came back to
636 the table to say again that just because she got a copier she did not say that it would
637 reduce the mileage. What she said was that she would not have to go to the Town Hall
638 each and every time a copy was needed. She said she still has to go to Town Hall on a
639 daily basis, sometimes even several times per day.

640 **In Favor** Robert Millard, Ralph Millard.

641 **Opposed** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Bruce Cleveland, Cathy Gorman, Dawn Nicolaisen,
642 Selectman Tombarello.

643 **Motion fails 2-5-0**

644 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Parks & Recreation Account with Gross
645 Expenses of \$83,379.08, Revenue of \$1.00 and Net Expenses of \$83,378.08.

646 **Seconded by** Bruce Cleveland.

647 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,
648 Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland.
649 ***Opposed*** Dawn Nicolaisen
650 ***Motion passes 6-1-0***
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653 ***Motion by Bruce Cleveland to put the Parks & Recreation Account budget 4520.1***
654 ***(Summer & Special Programs) on the table for discussion.***
655 ***Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.***
656 Motion by Robert Millard to reduce the hourly rate of the 3 summer counselors to \$8.32
657 per hour.
658 Seconded by Selectman Tombarello for discussion.
659 Selectman Tombarello said this is removing .17 per hour from a kid and Robert Millard's
660 response was yes.
661 Mindy Salomone-Abood said the amounts in front of the Budget Committee tonight do
662 not reflect the changes the Budget Committee made to the budget at their original
663 meeting of this budget. Bruce Cleveland said it is noticeable if you look at the Gross
664 Expenses. The second and the motion have both been rescinded.
665 Deb Brown said she would like the public to know this is a revenue based program. She
666 said all of the money comes from the parents that pay for these programs.
667 Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to accept the Parks & Recreation account with Gross
668 Expenses of \$51,007.55, Revenue from Summer Recreation of \$37,885.00, Revenue
669 from Special Programs of \$4,182.43 and Net Expenses of \$8,940.12.
670 Seconded by Robert Millard.
671 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce
672 Cleveland.
673 ***Opposed*** Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello
674 ***Motion passes 5-2-0***
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678 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Recreation Operation Account budget**
679 **4520.2 on the table for discussion.**

680 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

681 There was no comment on this budget.

682 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Recreation Operation Account with Gross
683 Expenses of \$15,432.00, Revenue of \$2,025.00 and Net Expenses of \$13,407.00.

684 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

685 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Bruce
686 Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen, Selectman Tombarello

687 **Motion passes unanimously**

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690 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Library Account budget 4550.0 on the**
691 **table for discussion.**

692 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

693 Robert Millard questioned the amount being paid for the library tech. and Mindy said this
694 is something the library trustees increased to bring the amount up to in line with other
695 Towns.

696 **Motion by** Mindy to change the Benefits for NH Retirement line to \$5,187.58.

697 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

698 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Dawn
699 Nicolaisen,

700 **Opposed** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland

701 **Motion passes 5-2-0**

702 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Social Security line to \$10,239.07.

703 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

704 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

705 **Opposed** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

706 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

707 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Medicare line to \$2,394.62.

708 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

709 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,
710 ***Opposed*** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen
711 ***Motion passes 4-3-0***
712 ***Motion by*** Mindy Salomone to accept the Library Account with Gross Expenses with
713 Gross Expenses of \$270,817.28, Revenue of \$100.00 and Net Expenses of \$270,717.28.
714 ***Seconded by*** Robert Millard.
715 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,
716 ***Opposed*** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen
717 ***Motion passes 4-3-0***
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720 ***Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Patriotic Purposes Account budget 4583.0***
721 ***on the table for discussion.***
722 ***Seconded by Mindy Salomone-Abood.***
723 There was no comment on this budget.
724 ***Motion by*** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Patriotic Purposes Account with Gross
725 Expenses of \$4,600.00, Revenue of \$1.00 and Net Expenses of \$4,599.00.
726 ***Seconded by*** Bruce Cleveland.
727 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,
728 Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen
729 ***Motion passes unanimously***
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732 ***Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Conservation Commission Account budget***
733 ***4619.0 on the table for discussion.***
734 ***Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.***
735 Robert Millard asked why there was another approved by the BOS after they came to the
736 Budget Committee and the budget was approved. Mindy said she could not answer that
737 question. Chuck Crowe from the Conservation Commission said his Board met with the
738 BOS prior to meeting with the Budget Committee and requested a \$300.00 increase to
739 improve the Fall Festival next year. He said when he met with the Budget Committee he

740 thought the increase had been given and he didn't realize it was a different budget that
741 was being voted on. Chuck said he is her tonight to ask the Budget Committee to
742 approve the BOS approved budget of \$9,313.66. The Budget Committee said this is clear
743 to them now.

744 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to increase the Education & Awareness line from
745 \$1,800.00 to \$2,100.00.

746 **Seconded by** Bruce Cleveland.

747 **In Favor** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Robert Millard.

748 **Opposed** Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman, Dawn Nicolaisen, Mindy Salomone-Abood

749 **Motion fails 3-4-0**

750 Mindy Salomone-Abood said according to the Conservation minutes the Commission is
751 reducing the amount of hours for the Environmental Consultant and the Administrative
752 Assistant.

753 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the amount of the Environmental
754 Consultant to \$300.00.

755 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

756 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Dawn Nicolaisen, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard,
757 Cathy Gorman.

758 **Opposed** Bruce Cleveland

759 **Abstain** Selectman Tombarello

760 **Motion passes 5-1-1**

761 **Motion by** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Administrative Assistant hours for the
762 13 weeks to 39 hours and for the 39 weeks the hours be reduced to 117 hours as a result
763 of the minutes stating the Admin Asst is working 3 hours per week for a total of 156
764 hours.

765 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

766 Chuck Crowe from the Conservation Commission said the Administrative Assistant is
767 allotted 5 hours to do the minutes for the meeting and feels the Budget Committee is
768 doing an injustice by cutting it to 3 hours. Hans Nicolaisen asks why the hours are being
769 cut. Mindy said meetings this past year totaled 33.5 hours the minutes stated she is
770 working 3 hours per week. Mindy said if you take the 33.5 and multiply that by 2.5 to do

771 the transcription of the minutes the total is 83.75 plus the 33.5 is a total of 117 hours and
772 she is allotting 156 hours for the whole year. She also said that the money that was left
773 over from the Administrative line was used towards the Fall Festival. Hans said he hates
774 to see them run short especially for a recording secretary line. Chuck Crowe said he
775 doesn't understand the Budget Committee's reasoning for reducing this budget. He also
776 said the Admin Asst is allotted 5 hours total for a 1.5 hour meeting. Mindy said this is
777 well within her calculations as previously stated. Steve Brown came up as the liaison to
778 the Conservation Commission and said the Budget Committee has overstepped their
779 bounds and has no right to cut hours from an employee. Mindy said he has made an
780 inaccurate statement and the Budget Committee can cut hours in order to make the
781 payroll number balance.

782 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

783 ***Opposed*** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

784 ***Motion passes 4-3-0***

785 ***Motion by*** Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the amount of the Recording Secretary line
786 to \$2,722.20.

787 ***Seconded by*** Cathy Gorman.

788 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

789 ***Opposed*** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

790 ***Motion passes 4-3-0***

791 ***Motion by*** Mindy Salomone-Abood to approve the Conservation Commission Account
792 with Gross Expenses of \$8,197.20, Revenue of \$240.00 and Net Expenses of \$7,957.20.

793 ***Seconded by*** Cathy Gorman.

794 ***In Favor*** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

795 ***Opposed*** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

796 ***Motion passes 4-3-0***

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799 ***Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to put the Debt Expense Principal Account budget***
800 ***4711.0 on the table for discussion.***

801 ***Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.***

802 There was no comment on this budget.

803 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Debt Expense Principal Account with
804 Gross Expenses of \$50,000.00, Revenue of \$.00 and Net Expenses of \$50,000.00.

805 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

806 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,
807 Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

808 **Motion passes unanimously**

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811 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Debt Expense Interest Account budget**
812 **4721.0 on the table for discussion.**

813 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

814 There was no comment on this budget.

815 **Motion by** Selectman Tombarello to accept the Debt Expense Interest Account with
816 Gross Expenses of \$39,025.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$39,025.00.

817 **Seconded by** Robert Millard.

818 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,
819 Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

820 **Motion passes unanimously**

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823 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Tan Note Account budget 4723.0 on the**
824 **table for discussion.**

825 **Seconded by Bruce Cleveland.**

826 There was no comment on this budget.

827 **Motion by** Robert Millard to accept the Tan Note Account with Gross Expenses of
828 \$8,000.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$8,000.00.

829 **Seconded by** Selectman Tombarello.

830 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,
831 Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

832 **Motion passes unanimously**

833 **Motion by Selectman Tombarello to put the Benefits Account budget 4155.0 on the**
834 **table for discussion.**

835 **Seconded by Mindy Salomone-Abood.**

836 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to change the FICA line to \$47,817.85.**

837 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

838 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

839 **Opposed** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

840 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

841 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Medicare line to \$16,907.55.**

842 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

843 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

844 **Opposed** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

845 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

846 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Retirement for Employees line to**

847 **\$36,351.37.**

848 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

849 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

850 **Opposed** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

851 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

852 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to reduce the Retirement for Police line be reduced**

853 **to \$66,421.28.**

854 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

855 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

856 **Opposed** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

857 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

858 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to accept the Benefits Account with Gross Expenses**

859 **of \$354,374.20, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$354,374.20.**

860 **Seconded by Robert Millard.**

861 **In Favor** Mindy Salomone-Abood, Robert Millard, Ralph Millard, Cathy Gorman,

862 **Opposed** Selectman Tombarello, Bruce Cleveland, Dawn Nicolaisen

863 **Motion passes 4-3-0**

864 **Motion by Mindy Salomone-Abood to take a 15 minute break after finishing the budget**
865 **portion of the meeting.**

866 **Seconded by Selectman Tombarello.**

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869 Mindy Salomone-Abood said for clarification purposes she would like to read the
870 amounts of the budgets that were passed without the amounts being read. They were as
871 follows: The Executive Account was approved with Gross Expenses of \$196,321.91,
872 Revenue of \$750.00 and Net Expenses of \$195,571.91. The Town Clerk budget was
873 approved with Gross Expenses of \$47,872.22, Revenue of \$887,922.92 and Net Expenses
874 of -\$840,050.70. The Election (moderator) Account was approved with Gross Expenses
875 of \$8,600.00, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of \$8,600.00. The Election
876 (Supervisor of check list) Account was approved with Gross Expenses of \$3,725.00,
877 Revenue of \$50.00 and Net Expenses of \$3,675.00. The Finance Director Account was
878 approved with Gross Expenses of \$49,657.40, Revenue of \$0.00 and Net Expenses of
879 \$49,657.40. The rest of the budgets have the dollar amount approved in the motion of
880 each budget. Mindy also stated the total amount of the budget approved tonight is
881 \$3,156,398.02.

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Review of Warrant Articles

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885 **Warrant Article 2** – wording for the Annual Budget amount. The amount was changed
886 to \$3,156,398.02.

887 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
888 Selectman Tombarello – no, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
889 Dawn Nicolaisen – no.

890 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 5-2-0**

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895 ***Special Warrant Article 3 – Police Union Contract***

896 Selectman Tombarello stated that the between last year and this year there was more
897 money spent on lawyers than the increase in the benefits of the proposed contract. He
898 feels this is a solid contract for the Police in this Town. He said this year the benefits
899 increase is \$6,018.40 and it cost the town \$8,900.00 in attorney fees and next year it
900 could cost upwards of \$10,000. He said there was a lot of work put into the contract from
901 former Selectman Nelson Rheaume, Selectwoman Copp and himself. Ralph Millard
902 asked how long has it been since their last contract and the answer was since 2009.

903 ***Roll Call Vote*** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
904 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
905 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

906 ***The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0***

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909 ***Warrant Article 4 – Have a special meeting if Article fails***

910 Mindy Salomone-Abood asked if this is something the Committee needs to vote on and
911 Paula Gulla said it is not mandatory that the Committee votes on it but if the Committee
912 wants to keep it consistent with last year, all of the articles were voted on.

913 ***Roll Call Vote*** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
914 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
915 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

916 ***The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0***

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919 ***Special Warrant Article 5 – Police Station***

920 Selectman Tombarello said this would be the third payment of \$176,000.00.

921 ***Roll Call Vote*** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
922 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
923 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

924 ***The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0***

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926 **Warrant Article 6 - Highway Block Grant**

927 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
928 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
929 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

930 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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933 **Special Warrant Article 7 – Road Improvement Plan**

934 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
935 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
936 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

937 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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939 Selectman Tombarello stated that the reason the BOS recommendations are 4-0-0 is
940 because Selectwoman Copp was out sick at the time the BOA voted on the articles.

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942 **Special Warrant Article 8 – Plowing Expendable Trust Fund**

943 Cathy Gorman asked if adventually this money will come out of the budget. Hans
944 Nicolaisen said that they are hoping to build up the Trust Fund so that if there is money
945 left over from the budget it would go into this fund for the following year and not go back
946 into the General Fund. If the fund gets large enough then yes, some of the money may be
947 eliminated from the budget. Hans also said the money that is left over from the previous
948 year needs to be voted on to be put into the Trust Fund. This article is to set up the fund
949 go get it started.

950 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
951 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
952 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

953 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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957 **Warrant Article 9 – Old Home Day Celebration**

958 Mindy Salomone-Abood asked for clarification on this article. Paula Gulla said that year
959 the OHD Committee started an Expendable Trust Fund and they would like to add to the
960 amount in the fund. Robert Millard asked how much was the fund created with last year
961 and Paula said \$6,000.00.

962 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
963 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
964 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

965 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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968 **Special Warrant Article 10 – Improvement of flow characteristic of the Exeter River on**
969 **Wells Village Rd.**

970 Hans Nicolaisen said they are redirecting the culvert as the original one is washing out.
971 Dawn Nicolaisen asked if the wording “non lapsing” is in there in case the work isn’t
972 done prior to that date.

973 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
974 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
975 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

976 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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979 **Special Warrant Article 11 – Exterior painting for the Old Meetinghouse**

980 Robert Millard asked if there are any grants available for this. Paula Gulla said that she
981 has applied for three grants and two have been denied and she is still waiting to hear on a
982 third. She also said that one of the grants was denied due to lack of information and she
983 now has the information needed to reapply. The grants are for up to \$10,000.00 which
984 may reduce the tax rate. Cathy Gorman asked if they can wait until next year to see if
985 they get the grant. Paula said the meetinghouse is in great need to be painted and this is a
986 non lapsing article so the money will be available for a few years to come. Mindy
987 Salomone-Abood asked if the non lapsing date is set by the grant and Paula said the

988 maximum time is 5 years. Selectman Tomabrello also stated that there is some fund
989 raising being done for this and the building needs work. He said there are several
990 missing windows and it needs to be painted as well and if something isn't done soon then
991 the Town could lose the building.

992 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
993 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
994 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

995 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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998 **Special Warrant Article 12 – Handicap restroom in Town Hall**

999 Selectman Tomabrello said there are plans in the office and this is for a handicapped
1000 bathroom on the second floor of the Town Hall. Dawn Nicolaisen is concerned as this is
1001 a non lapsing article and the cost to do this today won't be the same amount in years to
1002 come. Hans Nicolaisen said the non lapsing is put in there to cover the Town but if this
1003 gets approved they will begin the work right away. Mindy Salomone-Abood asked about
1004 the leftover money and Hans said it will go back to the General Fund just like any other
1005 monies that are left over.

1006 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
1007 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
1008 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

1009 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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1012 **Special Warrant Article 13 – Renovations to the lower Town Hall for additional office**
1013 **space**

1014 Cathy Gorman asked what is being done with the hall and Selectman Tomabrello said
1015 they'd like to make 2 offices and move the kitchen to a smaller area. Hans Nicolaisen
1016 said they also need a lot of storage as well. He also explained that the Welfare Officer
1017 needs to be in a private area and not in front of everyone in the office. Robert Millard
1018 asked if the stove was replaced last year with the money that was appropriated and Hans

1019 said the stove was not replaced in years. Lynne Blaisdell stated that because talk of
1020 renovations came up the BOS decided to put it on hold. She said during the fall when the
1021 money was appropriated it was used to put lien tool over the diesel and gas tanks at the
1022 fire station. She said water was getting into the gasoline and ruining it and the BOS felt
1023 that was a more important need at the time. Selectman Tombarello also said that he
1024 spoke to Ron Dulong and he only lit the stove twice in 2011. Robert Millard said he
1025 doesn't feel that the kitchen needs to have a stove and a lot of fancy things and he feels
1026 that this wasn't thought out. Hans Nicolaisen said that it has been thought out for several
1027 years and people have been upset with the talk of removing the kitchen. He also said
1028 there are events that are held at Town Hall that cannot be held elsewhere.

1029 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – no, Ralph Millard – no, Robert Millard - no, Selectman
1030 Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – no, Bruce Cleveland – yes, Dawn
1031 Nicolaisen – yes.

1032 ***The Budget Committee does not recommend this article with a vote of 3-4-0***

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1035 ***Special Warrant Article 14 – House Numbering System***

1036 Cathy Gorman asked what this is and Selectman Tombarello said this is a project that
1037 would mandate residents to put reflective house numbers in front of the house. He also
1038 said this didn't come from the BOS it came from the Police Department and the BOS
1039 recommend it. Mindy Salomone-Abood asked about an ordinance in regards to house
1040 numbers and Selectman Tombarello said yes it was implemented in 1987. Mindy asked
1041 if it being enforced and Hans Nicolaisen said there is no uniformity to the ordinance in
1042 place now. He said this will make all homes uniform and all numbers in the same place
1043 so it's easily located. Bruce Cleveland said this is invaluable if you don't know the
1044 neighborhood and also said that putting the number on the house doesn't do any good if
1045 there is a 1,000 ft driveway. Dawn Nicolaisen said this is to purchase but not to install so
1046 how will people put it up if they can't afford to. She said this is a great idea but she'd
1047 like to know how it will be enforced. Hans said they will be placed 5 feet off the road
1048 and he also said there is a new ordinance in the works. Robert Millard said he would not
1049 like something like this in his yard, he said he already has a reflective sign on his house.

1050 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – no, Ralph Millard – no, Robert Millard - no, Selectman
1051 Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – no, Bruce Cleveland – yes, Dawn
1052 Nicolaisen – yes.

1053 **The Budget Committee does not recommend this article with a vote of 3-4-0**

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1056 **Warrant Article 15 – Speed traffic enforcement for overtime patrols**

1057 Mindy said there is federal money coming in and this is just to accept the money.

1058 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
1059 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
1060 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

1061 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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1064 **Warrant Article 16 – DWI overtime patrols**

1065 Again, Mindy said there is federal money coming in and this is just to accept the money.

1066 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
1067 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
1068 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

1069 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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1072 **Warrant Article 17 – Interior wall at the highway garage**

1073 Robert Millard asks if the money is in the Highway budget for this purpose and Dawn
1074 Nicolaisen said no, the total amount of building maintenance for the Highway Facility
1075 account was \$1,000.00 and this article is for \$6,000.00.

1076 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
1077 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
1078 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

1079 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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1081 **Warrant Article 18 – Mosquito Control**

1082 Cathy Gorman said that she has never seen anyone spray for anything in Town and
1083 Robert said only the center of Town gets sprayed unless you call and ask them to spray
1084 your yard. Lynne Blaisdell said traps are set in the know wetland areas and they are
1085 tested weekly. The Town is only sprayed if the traps test positive for West Nile or EEE.
1086 She also said the quarterly reports are posted on the Town’s website as well.

1087 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – yes, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
1088 Selectman Tombarello – yes, Mindy Salomone-Abood – yes, Bruce Cleveland – yes,
1089 Dawn Nicolaisen – yes.

1090 **The Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-0-0**

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1093 **Petitioned Warrant Article 19 – Elderly Exemption**

1094 Bruce Cleveland asks how many pennies is it going to cost and Ralph Millard said it’s
1095 .42 per thousand. Cathy Gorman asked who presented the article and where did the facts
1096 come from. Mindy said whoever put the article together gathered the information. Jin
1097 Devine each year the IRS goes through the income by zip code and Sandown comes out
1098 one of the highest in the State. Dawn Nicolasien asked why the BOS did not vote in
1099 favor of this article. Selectman Brown said his reasoning is this is the only warrant
1100 article that doesn’t have a specific dollar amount attached to it. The BOS feel that the
1101 Elderly Exemption given now is fair and equitable and enough and the BOS evaluate how
1102 they will spend the money and how it will benefit the most people and they don’t feel this
1103 will benefit enough people in Town. Ralph Millard said that Sandown has the lowest
1104 exemption and they are just trying to make it comparable to the other Town’s in the
1105 district. Deb Brown said she is a champion of the seniors but she feels that the Town
1106 provides a generous exemption for them and the rest of the Town paid \$165,000.00 for
1107 the current exemption. She also feels that Sandown has the lowest amount of commercial
1108 industry to help with the taxes. She said he is going to send a letter to the BOS to ask that
1109 when there is petitioned warrant article that they include the petitioner’s name so that if
1110 anyone has questions they know who to address the questions to. Selectman Devine said
1111 he didn’t vote in favor of this because there are too many variables in the article. Robert

1112 Millard said there is a pretty small amount of elderly people in Town that would actually
1113 qualify for this and he believes it's the seniors that need the help. He also feels that the
1114 seniors would benefit more from this exemption than the events held at the recreation
1115 building for them.

1116 **Roll Call Vote** – Cathy Gorman – no, Ralph Millard – yes, Robert Millard - yes,
1117 Selectman Tombarello – no, Mindy Salomone-Abood – abstain, Bruce Cleveland – no,
1118 Dawn Nicolaisen – no.

1119 ***The Budget Committee does not recommend this article with a vote of 2-4-1***

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1121 Mindy Salomone-Abood thanked everyone that came out tonight to give their input to the
1122 meeting and she also thanked all of the Budget Committee members for the time put in
1123 for the year. She mentioned that Deliberative Session will be held on Saturday, February
1124 4th. She also thanked the office staff for all of their help this year too.

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1126 Meeting adjourned at 10:45

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1129 Sue Reynolds