Sandgate Selectboard
Minutes for Meeting of August 6, 2012

1. Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Chair Judy Boehlert.
2. Introduction of those present – Judy Boehlert, Chair; Celeste Keel, Clerk; Tom Fierravanti, Eleanor LaCross. Don Trachte not present.
3. Approve minutes of July 9, 2012 special meeting – Tom Fierravanti made motion to approve; seconded by Eleanor LaCross; approved unanimously
4. Approve minutes of July 14, 2012 special meeting - Tom Fierravanti made motion to approve; seconded by Eleanor LaCross; approved unanimously.
5. Approve minutes of July 23, 2012 – Judy Boehlert made motion to approve; seconded by Eleanor LaCross; unanimously approved.
6. Appearances by Local Citizens and Visitors – At the meeting were: Ron Larson, Ron Weiler, Jim Link, Barb Bartwitz, Deedee Goebel, Greg Neilson.
   a. Barbara Bartwitz spoke about the Emergency Management Plan she drafted – any changes or comments should be sent directly to Barb. Celeste Keel made motion to approve draft; seconded by Eleanor LaCross; unanimously approved.
7. Announcements - BROC - Community Action Survey – Celeste to complete this. State is ordering Sandgate to do reappraisal due to CLA being outside acceptable parameters. Marlene is asking for volunteers for voting day. Let Marlene know when you are available. Warrant from Selectboard to treasurer.
8. Roads Report - Greg Neilson asked to speak about Ed Pike; wants work plan and Ed to be held accountable to the plan; doesn't want the road the way it was last year. Ron Larson was under the impression that the road crew would not be doing the work on the road. Board said that wasn't the case.
   a. Road Improvement Plan – Tom and Judy to get together to discuss next steps
   a.i. Streambank stabilization and replacement of two stream crossings must be completed by October 1, 2012 – Eleanor to work with Don to get these started. Need quote on culvert. May need to hire someone to help with this. Need to work on Jean Zoppel issue also.
   a.ii. Rupert Road issues – everything has been measured; scope of work drafted. Need to get going prior to next meeting. Judy and Tom to get together on this.
   b. FEMA – Exit Briefing/Closeout Procedure – Don Trachte
   c. Field Change on new truck – Charlie took to Delureys for work – they knew nothing about this. Eleanor to check with Ed on this.
   d. Mike Merritt – girders on his property – does Town want them - 20' by 8-10" - Charlie said he didn't want them – Ron Larson will contact Mike about them.
9. Treasurer's Report – Deedee Goebel
   a. Tax Rate – see budget – Celeste Keel motion to direct Treasurer to proceed to collect the taxes for a total of $1,234,122 with a homestead tax rate of 1.9172 (per thousand) and non-residential tax rate of 1.9117 (per thousand) using the grand list information; Tom Fierravanti second; unanimously approved.
   b. Question on School House utilities line – why at 61% budget already; this is due to cleaning bill. The people that used the building should have paid the cleaning charges.
   c. Paying Town bills – treasurer need to process as soon as board approves so duplicate bills are not received and processed again with the chance of duplicate payments.
10. Old Business
    a. Review Animal Policies – cancel Animal Policy and just use Dog & Wolf Hybrid; Tom Fierravanti made motion to approve; seconded by Eleanor LaCross; unanimously approved.
    b. Unlicensed dogs - Judy to send letter again to residents below.
    b.i. Beth Mitchell, 525 Chambers/Bells Road: Dog – Peanut

      b.ii. Nicole Novotny, Sandgate Road: Dogs – Edward & Bella
      c.   Review Action List – list reviewed
11. New Business
      a. Review proposed Purchasing Policy – Judy will make changes and bring to next meeting.
      b. Overweight Permit – Gould – all paperwork provided. Celeste Keel made motion to approve; seconded by Eleanor LaCross; unanimously approved.
12. Review of Bills and Signing of Selectboard and Highway Orders -
13. Adjourn – Eleanor LaCross motion to adjourn; Celeste Keel seconded; unanimously approved.
14. Next Meeting: August 20, 6:30PM

Respectfully submitted,

Celeste Keel