

**TOWN OF SANDOWN  
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sandown qualified to vote in Town affairs you are, hereby, notified of the following Town meeting schedule.

*First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative)*

You are hereby notified to meet at Sandown Town Hall, 320 Main Street, Sandown, New Hampshire, on Saturday, January 30, 2010 at 8:00 am. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion and debate of warrant articles number 2 through 22. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended and (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended.

*Second Session of Annual Meeting (Voting)*

Voting on warrant articles number 1 through 22 and the zoning amendments will be conducted by official ballot to be held on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at Sandown Town Hall, 320 Main Street Sandown, New Hampshire. Polls will be open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

**Warrant Article 1.** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year (to be voted by ballot March 9, 2010).

**Warrant Article 2.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$3,191,510.68. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,243,445.87, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 3-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-0-1)

Yes	815
No	133

**Special Warrant Article 3. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$268,700) to be added to the previously established Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 3-1-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-1-1)**

**Yes 699  
No 505**

**Warrant Article 4. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the Selectmen to accept a Highway Block Grant in the sum of One Hundred Thirty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Five Dollars (\$138,795) for the road improvement programs to be recommended by the Sandown Highway Department and approved by the Sandown Board of Selectmen, said sum to be supplied by the State of New Hampshire.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 5-0-0)**

**Yes 1023  
No 186**

**Petitioned Warrant Article 5. Shall the town vote to create an unpaid position of Elderly Affairs Director. The board of selectmen shall determine the qualifications, and duties of the position. The selectmen shall insure the person is properly trained and supervised. They will also insure that there are no violations of state or federal laws, when accepting the service of the person they select.**

**There will be no tax impact by creation of this position.**

**(Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 0-4-0)**

**(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 1-3-1)**

**Yes 537  
No 664**

**Special Warrant Article 6. Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Police Station Fund for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new Police Station and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy Six Thousand dollars (\$176,000) to be placed in this fund.**

**Expenditure of funds to be approved by Town meeting. (Majority vote required)**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 3-1-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-1-1)**

**Yes 618  
No 587**

**Warrant Article 7. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty One Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$21,900) to replace the furnace at the Town Hall.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-0-1)**

**Yes 897  
No 310**

**Warrant Article 8. Shall the Town vote to revise the Ethics Awareness policy by providing each volunteer, elected official, employee and board member with a copy of the current ethics policy and require each volunteer, elected official, employee and board member to sign a form stating that they have received, understand and will abide by the policy.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 3-1-0)**

**(No Recommendation by the Budget Committee: 2-2-1)**

**Yes 868**

**No 331**

**Special Warrant Article 9. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of continuing a mosquito surveillance and control program, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to continue to contract with a firm licensed in NH to apply insecticides, and conduct a larviciding and adult mosquito spray program at such times and in such locations throughout the Town as needed to accomplish effective mosquito control.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-0-1)**

**Yes 892**

**No 317**

**Special Warrant Article 10. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) for the annual Old Home Day Celebration. The warrant article is sponsored by the Sandown Old Home Day Committee.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 5-0-0)**

**Yes 816**

**No 396**

**Warrant Article 11. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One dollar (\$1) to purchase and install a generator at the Recreation Building to be used for emergency purposes for the Town of Sandown.**

**(No Recommendation by the Board of Selectmen: 2-2-0)**

**(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 0-4-1)**

**Yes 584**

**No 615**

**Special Warrant Article 12. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) for the purchase and equipping of a new forestry/utility vehicle for the Sandown Fire Department. This vehicle to replace the 24 year old vehicle we now have. Existing vehicle to be sold at sealed bid and proceeds of sale to go to the general fund.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 3-1-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 5-0-0)**

**Yes 688**

**No 526**

**Warrant Article 13. Shall the Town vote pursuant to RSA 79-A: 25, IV to alter the percentage established by the 2005 Town Meeting which authorized 100% of the Land Use Change Tax revenue to be deposited into the Town of Sandown Conservation Fund and to change the percentage to deposit 50% of the Land Use Change Tax revenue into the Town of Sandown Conservation Fund which will limit the ability of the town to purchase additional open space and to deposit the remaining 50% into the Town of Sandown's general fund unreserved fund balance.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 3-1-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-0-1)**

**Yes 516  
No 705**

**Warrant Article 14. Shall the Town vote to discontinue the expendable trust fund known as the Cable TV fund created in 2004. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. Should Warrant Article 15 fail, this article shall be null and void.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-0-1)**

**Yes 888  
No 298**

**Special Warrant Article 15. Shall the Town vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of operating the Town's public television station to be known as the Cable TV Revolving Fund. All revenues received from cable franchise fees will be deposited into the fund and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and Cable Committee and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. Further to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Two Thousand Six Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$32,615) from the unreserved fund balance to be deposited into this fund. Should this warrant article fail, then Warrant Article 14 shall be null and void.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-0-1)**

**Yes 617  
No 563**

**Warrant Article 16. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) for the maintenance of the OHRVs and the outfitting of officers with safety gear while patrolling the trails. Further to authorize the withdrawal of that appropriation from the existing balance of the Police Department Safety and Enforcement Special Revenue Fund created for that purpose.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 5-0-0)**

**Yes 792  
No 427**

**Warrant Article 17. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for the purpose of purchasing an in-car video system to replace and upgrade the current system. This appropriation is contingent upon the Town receiving a NH Highway Safety Grant to pay for 50% of the cost. The Town's cost will be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500).**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 5-0-0)**

**Yes 721  
No 492**

**Special Warrant Article 18. Shall the town vote to create an Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a to be known as the Town Disaster Management Expendable Trust Fund for the continuation of town services and repair and maintenance of town property as a result of an emergency situation and to raise and appropriate Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500) for this fund. This sum is to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) and further to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend this fund.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-1-1)**

**Yes 699  
No 505**

**Warrant Article 19. Shall the Town vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of police special detail wages, benefits, supplies and equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be deposited into the fund. Further, all revenues received for police special details will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectmen and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. After payment of police special detail wages, benefits, supplies and other equipment, the fund may also be used for the purpose of purchasing new cruisers for police special details. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-0-1)**

**Yes 644  
No 534**

**Special Warrant Article 20. Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Highway Excavator Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of a Highway Excavator and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Four Dollars (\$32,894) to be placed in this fund. Expenditure of funds to be approved by Town meeting. (Majority vote required).**

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 4-0-0)**

**(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-1-1)**

**Yes 428  
No 730**

**Petitioned Warrant Article 21. Shall the Town vote to explore increasing the elderly exemption dollar amounts as follows:**

**To a person 65 years of age up to 75 years is from \$85,000.00 to \$100,000.00**

**75 years of age up to 80 years of age from \$100,000.00 to \$125,000.00**

**80 years or older \$125,000.00 to \$150,000.00**

**In addition increase the income net limit dollar amounts in all three age groups as follows:**

**Single \$50,000.00 to \$65,000.00**

**Combine married \$70,000.00 to \$75,000.00**

**(No Recommendation by the Board of Selectmen: 2-2-0)**

**(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 0-5-0)**

**Yes 540**

**No 637**

**Petitioned Warrant Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representative(s), our State Senator, the Speaker of the House, and the Senate President.**

**Resolved: The citizens of New Hampshire should be allowed to vote on an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution that defines "marriage".**

**(Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 0-2-1)**

**(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 0-1-4)**

**Yes 662**

**No 502**

**Sandown Planning Board  
Zoning Amendments for 2010 Ballot**

**Z-1 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #Z-1, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:**

**To amend Article II – Part D – Open Space Development – This Proposed amendment is required for compliance with NH RSA 674:59, entitled “Workforce Housing Opportunities”.**

**(Recommended by the Planning Board)**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>622</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>501</b>

**Z-2 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #Z-2, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:**

**To delete Article V – Section 6, entitled Seasonal to Year- Round Occupancy Classification or Conversion as written and replace it with an amended Article V – Section 6, entitled Conversion of Residential Structures from Seasonal to Full-Time Occupancy. The proposed amendment clarifies requirements for the issuance of a Special Exception required for conversions.**

**(Recommended by the Planning Board)**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>721</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>423</b>

**Z-3 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #Z-3, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:**

**To delete Article I – Part B – Wetland Conservation District in its entirety and replace it with an Amended Article I-Part B-Wetland and Surface Waters**

**Conservation District. The proposed amendment provides protection to wetlands and surface waters through creation of land use buffers.  
(Recommended by the Planning Board)**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>566</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>641</b>

**We, hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned by posting an attested copy of the written warrant at the place of meeting within named and a like attested copy at Sandown Town Hall and Post Office being a public place in said Town on January 25, 2010.**

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**Nelson Rheaume, Chairman**

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**Date**

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**Hans Nicolaisen, Vice Chairman**

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**Date**

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**Roger Barczak**

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**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Stephen Brown**

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**Date**

**Given under our hands and seal this day in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Ten.**

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**Nelson Rheume, Chairman**

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**Date**

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**Hans Nicolaisen, Vice Chairman**

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**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Roger Barczak**

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**Date**

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**Stephen Brown**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**A true copy of warrant – attest:**

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**Nelson Rheume, Chairman**

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**Date**

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**Hans Nicolaisen, Vice Chairman**

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**Date**

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**Roger Barczak**

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**Date**

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**Stephen Brown**

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**Date**