MEET YOUR LOCAL
FIREFIGHTER/EMS—MICHAEL ALLEN

Nickname: Mikey

Where are you from? Bangor, Maine.

Where did you go to school? Sumner Memorial High School – Sullivan.

What is your full-time job? My full-time job at Northern Light Medical Transport currently. I am an EMT. I have been there for a year and a half. I am also on Sullivan Fire/Rescue.

What inspired you to become a firefighter/EMS/EMT? My father joined my freshman year of high school, and I thought it would be a fun experience.

Did you have any training? I attended the Penobscot Fire Academy and took EMT and AEMT classes.

What brought you to the Sullivan Fire/Rescue Department? My father and the members.

Any hobbies/interests/things you’d want local readers to know about you? I work for Northern Light Medical Transport.

Thank you for all you do for Sullivan, Mikey!
Our Angel Tree is decorated with stars representing children and elders from Sullivan who would enjoy receiving a gift this holiday season. The tree is located in the hallway at the Sullivan Town Office. Stop by to choose a star, then return it attached to the wrapped gift to the town office by December 17.
Selectman’s Minutes for November 9, 2020 (draft)

Attendance: Selectmen: Ray Daley, Roger Wakefield
Town Manager: Stacy M.G. Tozier, Town Clerk: Deana E. Workman
Audience: Four (4)
Candy Eaton, Don Snoke, Mike Pinkham and Acadia Bay Inn - Matt
Roger Wakefield called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM
Rusty called in earlier to say that he would not be at said meeting.

Call to Order:
Approval of October 13th minutes: The minutes were reviewed by the Board of Selectmen.
R. Wakefield made motion to approve October 13, 2020 meeting minutes; 2nd by R. Daley.
Passed 2/0

Treasurer’s Warrant: The warrants were reviewed & signed by Roger Wakefield & Ray Daley.

Agenda Adjustments:
EMDC: Comprehensive Plan. They met last week. The original contract was for $20,000 over 2 years. The Town of Sullivan paid $7,000.00 up front and for the price of $290 have a tube of maps that are not useful. Anna Stockman, a UNH new graduate is working on the plan.
Planning Board: Activate and oaths – meeting being scheduled.

Draft Tax Rate: Amy Dunn calculate $13.20 same as last year. She will be here on November 10th

Monthly CEO Report: Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) will have a report for December meeting.

Old Business:
Paving: Selectmen Gordon was not available to provide any updates.

Tax Acquired Property 3 Church/Harborview Drive Bids Minimum Bid - $2,650.00

List of Bidders:
Robert Marshall $7,500.00
Stetson Land & Trading Co. $5,001.99
Marissa Smith – Rocco Realty, LLC $5,000.00
Fars Properties, LLC $3,325.00
Compound Holdings, LLC $3,125.00

R. Wakefield made motion to accept the highest bidder to Robert Marshall of $7,500.00; 2nd by R. Daley. Passed 2/0

Reports:
Age Friendly Committee: Candy Eaton spoke about committee raising money to build walk path and have Town of Sullivan maintain, plow and put porta potty. There would be a ceremony at the gazebo for Veteran’s Day from 10:15 am – 11:15 am. Meeting for sand bucket brocade.

Broadband Committee: Don Snoke spoke about high speed internet, the residents on any particular street getting together for the credit of $3,000.00 per household and installing for little to no cost. The residents would need to call Spectrum and inquire. The residents from Punkinville Road currently doing research into this.

Harbor Committee: Mike Pinkham called Mac Harriman to finish end pin. Mike went down before meeting and still no end pin.

Town Manager: Stacy M.G. Tozier –
Transfer Station: There is small building at the Sullivan Transfer Station for collection of bottles and cans. The money collected from the bottles and cans has benefited the Sullivan Pet Pantry.

Town of Sorrento: The Town of Sullivan will do re-registrations (stickers) only after they have paid their excise tax.
No plates, no sales tax, no titles. All of that will be done at the Ellsworth branch of Bureau of Motor Vehicles after pay excise tax in Sorrento.
R. Wakefield made motion to allow the Town of Sullivan to do re-registrations (stickers) only for the Town of Sorrento until December 31, 2020; 2nd by R. Daley. Passed 2/0

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Reports:
Furnace at Wharf house: There is heat but no hot water on 2nd floor upstairs. Stacy got a call saying that the upstairs kitchen is sublet. She had no knowledge of this. Mike Fisher with Taunton Bay.

Mike Briggs rents the downstairs but there is junk/stuff everywhere in basement. There was barely a path to the furnace.

Action: Selectman Daley stated that he could check the next day about the hot water.

Sullivan Fire and Rescue: Nobody in attendance from Fire Dept. or EMS/Rescue.

New Business:
Liquor License – White Dog Market LLC/Acadia Bay Inn: There has to be a public hearing and also has to be advertisement for the public hearing. The Board of Selectmen would try to get this on the agenda for the next meeting in December but also had to adhere to Covid 19 Governor Mills regulations/rules.

Site Plan Review Ordinance:
It was decided to table until the next Board of Selectmen meeting.

Public Comment:
Questions from a resident: Email from John Keenan
“I have a question for each selectmen on the previously discussed issue of absentee payroll to be answered in public forum whether it’s placed on the agenda as I have requested on multiple time or answered in the public forum as follows:
Selectmen please answer each as this question is for each selectmen. According to approved selectmen meeting minutes a selectmen was absent from four consecutive selectmen meetings. Plus, with no record of participation of any or other town business I requested from the town manager showing a return from these absent and dereliction of duty by a selectman even violating your own created Selectmen Policy, and with a check already issued to the Selectman for payment of days absent, How have you personally allowed Sullivan tax payer funds that are knowingly approved by each of you to be paid for days, maybe months not being there?”

Ray Daley: The selectmen are paid by a set salary not hourly. He apologized for missing meetings and didn’t think he had missed that many but also stated he did get in touch with Rusty about what he missed. Ray stated he was sick for the September Town Meeting.

Roger Wakefield: The selectmen are paid by set salary not hourly. Roger stated that they had made change to Selectmen Meeting Policy that if miss meeting that selectman responsible for finding out what they missed, if there was anything they were supposed to do, etc.. Roger also stated that personally put burden on the other selectmen if miss meetings.

Selectboard Comment:
Ray Daley: His wife, Carin Daley, did a walkathon for 50th birthday. She got donations and wrote a check for $625.00 for Christmas for Kids/Seniors.

Adjournment: R. Wakefield made motion to adjourn meeting at 6:48 PM; 2nd by R. Daley. Passed 2/0
Seamus Schunk, 10, first spotted something unusual and distinctly metallic protruding from the ground in his backyard in April. He returned with a spade and started to dig, finding an old metal arrowhead. He quickly realized that there was an outline in stones on the ground and explored the whole area.

Over the following weeks, Seamus uncovered an assortment of artifacts, including parts to a cast-iron stove, an oil lamp, ball hitch, and various tools. One day, he used a metal detector, noted where it signaled, and unearthed more treasures! Upon making the discovery, Seamus recalls rushing into the house with excitement; his parents, who had been making dinner, went outside expecting just a couple pieces of rusted metal—but they were quite surprised at the things he had found!

For Seamus, who homeschools, the archaeology project became a big unit study. He and his parents, Tim and Brandi, worked to identify the artifacts through communication with the historical society and their own research. When Seamus unearthed a nearly intact glass bead necklace, they concentrated on learning more about glass bead necklaces, looking for the time period that they were made and most fashionable. On some items, they found names and inscriptions that led them to businesses to investigate for further context.

Seamus uncovered the vast majority of the artifacts within one area roughly 6 feet by 8 feet wide, and when he discovered a complete glass inkwell, he had to wonder: why would someone throw that out? If there had been a structure there, the wide selection of tools and various pieces of melted metal and charred wood suggest the possibility of a shed that burned down.

As Seamus and his parents dove deeper into the history of the place, they added the information that they could find about the property and its prior owners to the puzzle. Documents show that their house was either built in 1830 or 1880, depending on which digit is an error. From their neighbors, they learned that their house may have once been combined with a second house on the foundation of what is now a third house—and an early owner of the parcel may have run the quarry—before the houses split, moved, and settled where they are now.

For Seamus, the best part of the project is the joy of discovering new pieces. He spent all of his free time digging until fire ants took over the area in full force, and he says that he plans to start again as long as the ants aren’t there come spring. Further research about the property may be able to uncover a more complete picture of the people who lived there centuries before. In the meantime, the story behind the artifacts remains a mystery—and a reminder to keep our eyes open to other stories that may be lurking right under our noses just waiting to be uncovered.

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If you are looking to uncover your own pieces of local history, the Sullivan-Sorrento Historical Society is here to help. We are currently open by appointment only, and you can reach us at (207) 422-0995 or info@sullivansorrentohistory.org.
News for December 2020

The Library continues to be open, providing curb-side service. Call us (422-2307) or email us (fblibrary2017@gmail.com) if we can help you. Mondays 2-6 and Saturdays 10-2.

We appreciate all the food that was donated to our food drive. We were able to deliver boxes of food to twelve families in time for Thanksgiving and stock up the food pantry at the Rec Center. The Community Food Pantry is open whenever the Thrift Store and Library are open. We are continuing the drive for Christmas. Drop-off points are the Town Office, Dunbar Store, Library, Thrift Store. The Historical Society is helping us also, but do not have drop off hours.

New titles coming:
- An Indigenous Peoples’ History of the United States for Young People by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz (non-fiction)
- The Last of the Moon Girls by Barbara Davis (fiction)
- Ruth Bader Ginsburg by Jane Sherron DeHart (biography)
- The Sentinel by Lee Child (mystery)

Local Nursing Facilities & Maine Coast Hospital Need CNAs

Certified Nursing Assistant Training begins  
Feb. 1—must apply by January 11, 2021

CNA Recertification Exams in Sullivan in 2021  
If you are listed as “inactive” on the Maine State CNA Registry and want to reactivate your status, RSU 24 Adult Education will be offering the opportunity to recertify locally.

To find out more information or for an application, call 422-4794  
or email adultedinfo@rsu24.org

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207-422-4794
Greetings from RSU #24,

I hope this email finds each of you surviving the challenging times that we are in. The cold temperatures are a reminder that the winter season is right around the corner!

COVID-19 continues to impact our schools. We are working hard to make sure that anyone on our buses or in our buildings is wearing a mask, is keeping an adequate distance from other individuals, and is appropriately washing hands and using hand sanitizer. We also have been taking measures at each school to examine the number of students in the building at any one time and where necessary, to reduce the number of students in the classroom at one time in order to mitigate the spread of the virus. As always, we are following the guidelines that are being provided by the Maine CDC.

The Mountain View School had its first individual test positive for the virus. Once we did the contact tracing, we realized that we would not have enough staff members in the building to safely operate given the requirement for staff to quarantine. We opted to have our students learn from home for the week (week of 11/16/2020). I believe it is extremely important for our students, parents and communities to know that our Maine Center for Disease Control, with the drastic increase in COVID cases, does not have the capacity to support schools in a timely manner. I don’t say that in judgement of the agency but to let you know that the reality is that we are in a position where we must make decisions following the guidelines AND in a timely manner but without the certainty that comes with support from the CDC. We have been and will continue to be overly cautious in the decisions we make and will keep the needs of our students, staff, and parents at the forefront when making those decisions.

I would be remiss if I didn’t specifically recognize the efforts of our staff to serve our students during this difficult time. Each person that we employ has played a very important role in making sure that we are able to provide learning for our students. If you happen to meet up with a staff member from one of our schools, I hope you take time to thank him/her for the impressive commitment shown to our students.

The building project to replace Sumner Memorial High School continues to move along. If you have the opportunity to view the building site, you will see that a great deal of work has been done to clear the land, remove unsuitable soils and replace with the appropriate materials, and blast away the rock on the site. You can definitely tell that there is a major project underway!

It is hard to believe but we are already preparing for the next budget cycle process. Building administrators and program/department leaders are beginning to assess the needs for next school year. We will have a number of budget workshop meetings and will communicate those dates as we get closer. It is important to note that we have had a sharp decline in the number of students enrolled in our district. I attribute this decline to the pandemic and I am hopeful that those students who are homeschooling as the result of the Coronavirus will return to our buildings once we have a vaccine. The decline in the student population will have an impact on the subsidy we receive unless the Maine legislature takes action to minimize the impact.

I appreciate the continued support of our schools and the school district. If you ever have a question or comment, please don’t hesitate to reach out to me at meastman@rsu24.org.

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SUNDAY SERVICES ARE CURRENTLY BROADCAST AT 10:30AM
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Pastor Randy Chamberland

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To advertise in the Town Crier, email sullivan1799@yahoo.com or call 422-6282.

The monthly deadline for ads and news is the 20th.

Sullivan Thrift Shop

The Sullivan "Thrift Store" is located in the Sorrento-Sullivan Recreation Center on Route 1 in Sullivan, Maine.

It is open Tuesdays 1pm-5pm and Saturdays 10am-2 pm

Donations are always welcome, please drop them off anytime the thrift shop is open or call 422-3134.

Proceeds benefit:
Recreation Center Repairs Project & Community Pet Fund*

*Pet food available when the thrift shop is open.

The Sorrento-Sullivan Recreation Center is available to rent for events!
Cleaning is included in the rental fee.

Call 422-3134 for more info!

P.A.W.

P.A.W. is seeking people to help foster cats until a forever home is found. We vet check, vaccinate and spay/neuter. Food will be provided. We rescue stray and abandoned animals from Sullivan, Hancock, Franklin & surrounding areas.

Contact Marie at 460-8920 (home) or 266-5027 (cell) or email wolfspiritm@gmail.com

For more information, stop by the Town Office for a pamphlet.

Online Vehicle Registration Renewal

Rapid Renewal is now available for Sullivan residents!

Simply go to:
www1.maine.gov/online/bmv/rapid-renewal/

Credit and debit cards are now accepted at the Town Office!

Burn Permits

Get your burn permits online 24/7:
www.maineburnpermit.com

Or call Ryan Daley at 460-1403 / Mike Pinkham at 610-2374

Transfer Station

Tunk Lake Road, Sullivan
Open: Saturdays 10a—3pm
Sundays 10a—3pm

Bag stickers are available at the Town Office for $1.50/each and from The Dunbar Store and Hancock Grocery for $1.75/each.

Stickers are not sold at the Transfer Station. Bulky waste bills must be paid at the Town Office.

Spay/Neuter Program

Do you need help getting your animal spayed or neutered? The Ark & SPCA have a voucher program that offers some help.

They pay 1/3, a participating vet will pay 1/3 and you would pay 1/3.

Call the SPCA PAL Program at 667-8088 or The Ark’s Stitch in Time Program at 546-3484 and ask for a voucher.

Also, the Help Fix ME Program is open for cats and pit bull mixes—call at the beginning of the month for a voucher to fix your animal for only $10.

Visit www.spaymaine.org for a full list of assistance programs!
We have a mystery...
and we hope you can help solve it!

We have a framed portrait of a child that we would like to see get to the person (or family) in the artwork. Mary Welsh created this pastel in 1992.

If you recognize this person or know how to reach them or the family, please contact the Town Office at 422-6282, so that we can get him home.

Do you recognize me?
Caring for our Community—Food Drive Continues Through December

We are asking for your continued support to keep the food pantry* well stocked for the holidays. Shelf-stable food item ideas you can donate are:

- Canned/dried fruits, vegetables, beans
- canned chicken, tuna, salmon, SPAM, ham
- boxes of mac ‘n cheese
- canned soup, stew, chili
- crackers, cereal
- pancake, baking, bread or cake mixes
- pudding mixes
- cooking oils
- Shelf stable/powdered milk
- dried herbs/spices
- pasta, rice
- pasta sauce
- instant mashed potatoes
- granola bars, nuts
- peanut butter/jam/jelly

Donations may be dropped off at the Frenchman Bay Library, The Sullivan Thrift Shop, The Dunbar Store or the Sullivan Town Office.

*The food pantry is located downstairs outside the Thrift Store entrance at the Sorrento -Sullivan Recreation Center, 1776 US Highway 1. It is available when the Library or the Thrift Store are open. Anyone in need is welcome.