

Age-Friendly Sullivan MINUTES, Wednesday, September 1, 2021, 9a-10a, Sullivan Town Office

| | Topic | Discussion | Action |
|--------|--------------------------------|---|---|
| 8:30am | sign-in, social & refreshments | Nadine, Michael F, Don, Christina, Candy, Andrea | Regrets: Cynthia, Raina, Trudy L., |
| 9am | Guest Speaker: | <p>Jo Cooper, Friends in Action - challenging public health issues, issues facing older folks, changing landscaping, resources and how we interact, world is changing</p> <p>2003 founding director; transition/succession plan; official process started, responsive to each individual, dependent on volunteers, funding quirky, concerned about stability, in healthy situation, endowment fund (legacy), same culture of personal generosity, opened senior center this summer - very quiet, make sure doing what is actually needed, issue of workforce, need for help in the home, Transportation, grocery shopping/pickup, order online, deliver free meals, Vaccine buddies, programs/hybrid, art groups, writing group, coffee - with attendees, requiring masks in the Senior Center for everyone, wait on Senior lunches, working with DE transportation bus, presentation programs, revive partnership with CDC/DE Health TRIAD, CHCS - Zoom volunteers with mental health questions, how to help someone not escalate, Senior playground open;</p> | <p>Recommend book: Can't we Talk about Something More Pleasant? Roz Chast</p> <p>New Transportation volunteers / ZOOM orientation</p> |
| | Funding & Finance: | <p>\$2720 New England Grassroots grant (garden)</p> <p>\$2500 Maine Community Foundation grant (trail)</p> <p>\$7000 AARP Challenge grant (trail)</p> <p>\$3500 Sullivan Municipal allocation (general operations)</p> | |

| | | | |
|--|--|---|--|
| | <p>Community Organization Updates:</p> | <p>Frenchman Bay Library — book room reorganized for book sale, ongoing sale by appt., new board members, library open by appointment, reduced hours, must wear masks</p> <p>SS Rec Center — rehab building, town approved generator; collapse of supply chain, last Honeywell - installed, waiting on gas installation; water pump collapsed/died; plan to replace 90 yo wiring this fall; Dave’s world - quote on A/C; move electronic sign Town to Rec Center; picnic table; security system - 24/7 smoke detector system; cameras; dumping at side of building; electronic recycling;</p> | <p>Book/Bake Sale 9/25?</p> |
| | <p>Current Discussion & Project Updates:</p> | <p>Friendly Caller program / Circle of Friends (cards) — will meet in person, 9/8 at 10am at Town Office to write October birthday cards. FB neighborhood groups - Taunton Bay Neighbors, Sullivan Harbor Neighbors, Loon Drive Neighbors, Flanders Pond Owners, Tunk Lake Neighbors</p> <p>Walking Trail — needs Kevin Barbee to assess for drainage/ culverts, price shorter trail</p> <p>Community Garden - mystery writing contest \$25 gc; Harvest Supper / Baked Bean contest partnership with Ashville Church — Norm Bamford to Chair.</p> <p>Movie Night —partner with new Parks & Rec Committee</p> <p>Bucket Brigade — Monroe Congregational Church, filled all buckets — need volunteers for winter refills & new</p> <p>Bone Builders — possible 2 groups (max 8-10 total including instructors): 10:30-11:30 M/W and T/Th.</p> | <p>Tentative date for Harvest dinner = Sunday 10/10/21</p> |
| | <p>Announcements/Updates</p> | <p>Walgreen’s FLU clinic at Town Office 9/28 10a-noon</p> <p>AARP/Maine - new Director, Noel Bonham would like to attend future meeting</p> | |
| | <p>Next meeting</p> | <p>October 6th: Allie Nolan Bodge, MDI/Ellsworth Housing</p> | |