

The Warrant

FY22-23

Town Meeting Warrant

Hancock, ss

State of Maine

To Stacy M.G. Tozier, a resident of the Town of Sullivan, in the County of Hancock.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Sullivan in said county, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Sorrento-Sullivan Recreation Center in said town on Monday, July 25th, 2022, at 6:00pm, then and there to act on Articles 1 through 38, all of said articles being set out below, to wit:

Articles

1. To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To choose a Budget Committee.
3. To choose a Cemetery Committee.
4. To instruct the Selectmen to appoint all other Town Officials.
5. To see if the Town of Sullivan will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes thereon, except shorefront property for which a public hearing would be held prior to being sold, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property, any property which, in the opinion of the Selectmen, best serves the interest of the Town by remaining Town-owned property need not be sold, in the case of tax sale, said real estate to be sold as per the Town of Sullivan's Tax Acquired Property Policy.
6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the town, unconditional gifts of property and or donations that they feel are in the towns best interest to accept.
7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of town owned personal property under such terms and conditions, as they deem advisable.
8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Treasurer to issue interest bearing negotiable promissory notes issued for Capital Improvements of the town and for the purpose of funding or refunding certain notes of the town now due or to become due during the Municipal 2022-2023 year and set a time within that said securities are to become due.

9. To see if the town will vote that the 2022 taxes will be due on and payable to the Tax Collector as soon as the Tax Collector receives the warrant, and to charge 4% per annum interest on all unpaid taxes commencing 120 days after the commitment date.
10. To see if the citizens of Sullivan will vote to pay for Tax Abatements from Overlay. (Explanation: The Selectmen, as Assessors, are authorized to raise Overlay under Title 36 MRSA, Section 710, but require voter authorization to spend Overlay.) Overlay can't be more than 4% of the Tax Commitment.
11. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes and to vote to pay 0% interest on said prepayments.
12. To see if the town will vote to approve undesignated tax payments to be applied to personal property taxes, if applicable, then to the oldest tax bills.
13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Ordinance (handouts available at the Town Office and the Town Meeting). The Selectmen recommend this approval.
14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Weight Limit Ordinance (handouts available at the Town Office and the Town Meeting). The Selectmen recommend this approval.
15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Hastings property from a Fire Department to a Municipal purpose property. *(The Budget Committee recommend approval.)*
16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend any miscellaneous departmental revenues received during 2022-2023 within the same department.
17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Administration of the Town. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Administration	Amount of Budget
Assessing	
Payroll	\$418,594
Insurance	
Operating Expenses	
Community Events	
Comprehensive Plan	

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Fire portion of the Fire & Rescue Department. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Fire Department	Amount of Budget
Operating Expenses	
Equipment/Gear	\$245,688

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the EMT portion of the Fire and Rescue Department. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

EMT	Amount of Budget
Operating Expenses	\$85,630

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Transfer Station. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Transfer Station	Amount of Budget
Operating Expenses	\$41,172

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Town Roads. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Town Roads	Amount of Budget
Winter Road	\$250,500
Summer Road	

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Town Properties. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Town Properties	Amount of Budget
Utilities	\$81,844
Property R/M	

23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for General Assistance. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

General Assistance	Amount of Budget
	\$10,000

24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Animal Control Officer. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Animal Control Officer	Amount of Budget
	\$3,260

25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Conservation. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Shellfish	Amount of Budget
	\$3,000

26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Harbor Master Department. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Harbor Master Operating Expenses	Amount of Budget
	\$4,910

27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Age Friendly Committee. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Age Friendly Operating Expenses Community Programs	Amount of Budget
	\$4,700

28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the cemeteries. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Cemetery	Amount of Budget
	\$17,000

29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for County Tax & Contingency. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

County Tax & Contingency	Amount of Budget
	\$97,609

30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for Contributions. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Contribution	Amount of Budget
	\$17,350
American Red Cross	\$1,000
Community Health and Counseling Services (CHCS)	200

Downeast Community Partners	4,500
Downeast Horizons	250
Down East Family YMCA	2,000
Eastern Agency Area on Aging	900
Ellsworth Public Library	1,000
Emmaus Center	750
Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County	800
Protecting Animals Welfare	500
Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry	2,000
Life Flight Foundation	1,000
Lifeline Food Pantry (Back Pack Program and Food Pantry)	250
Little League	250
Maine Public Broadcasting Network	100
Schoodic Scenic Byway	1,000
Yesterday's Children Inc	100
WIC Nutrition Program	750

31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Sullivan/Sorrento Rec Center. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Sorrento/Sullivan Rec Center	Amount of Budget
	\$20,000

32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Frenchman Bay Library. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Frenchman Bay Library	Amount of Budget
	\$6,000

33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Sullivan/Sorrento Historical Society. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Sullivan/Sorrento Historical Society	Amount of Budget
	\$1,500

34. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following funds to reduce the Town's 2022-2023 tax commitment. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Town of Sullivan Revenue Budget

Estimated State Revenue Sharing	\$	172,500
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$	200,000
Motor Vehicle Agent Fees	\$	4,500
ARPA	\$	80,000
Interest On Taxes	\$	13,000
Cable Franchise Fee	\$	8,000
Interest on Checking	\$	2,600
Homestead Exception	\$	83,000
Veteran Reimbursement	\$	1,800
Tree Growth Penalties	\$	12,000
Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$	47,500
BETE Reimbursement	\$	800
Total	\$	625,700

35. To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate for the purposes of which they are received the proceeds of all grants made to the Town during the Town's fiscal year by the federal or state government, their agencies and authorities; and to see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers on behalf of the Town to apply for such grants, provided that any necessary matching funds be appropriated by Town Meeting and that any substantive conditions, other than standard grant condition regarding spending only for the purpose for which the grant is made, be approved by the Town Meeting. Nondiscrimination, payment of prevailing wages, and similar administrative matters, must also be approved and accepted by the Municipal Officers.
36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to cover over-expenditures in any budgeted account by taking funds either from unexpended balances in any other budgeted accounts, or from surplus (undesignated fund balance), or both, as the Selectmen may, in their discretion, determine.
37. To see if the Town will vote that the taking of alewives for the year 2023 from all waters in the Town of Sullivan be regulated by the Selectmen according to the general laws of the State of Maine and the Town of Sullivan.
38. To see if the town will vote to increase the maximum property tax limit established by state law, in the event that the municipal budget approved at this town meeting results in tax commitment in excess of the maximum property tax levy otherwise allowable, such that the increased maximum property tax levy hereby established will equal the amount committed. (By state law, the vote on this article must be by written ballot). *(The Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommends approval.)*

The meeting will open at 6:00 pm on Monday, July 25th, 2022 at the Sorrento-Sullivan Recreation Center at which time all other articles on the warrant will be taken up. Given under our hands at Sullivan, Maine this 11th day of July, 2022.

Michael A. Pinkham Michael A. Pinkham

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Attest: Jessica Parker, Town Clerk Jessica Parker