Sullivan Select Board Meeting
January 07, 2025

Selectmen: Norman Bamford, Erin Shanahan Gregory Ring
Town Manager: Ray Weintraub, Town Clerk: Yvette Grindle
Audience: Gary Edwards, Don Snoke, John Keenan, Michael Pinkham II, and Allen Colebank(Via Zoom)

Call Meeting to Order/Pledge
The meeting was called to order by Norman Bamford at 5:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
Norman Bamford moved to approve the Minutes from the December 17, 2024 meeting, with the noted corrections. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Treasurers Warrant
Norman Bamford moved to approve the Treasurers Warrant as presented. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Adjustments to the agenda
No adjustments made.

New Business:
John Keenan No-Trespass Discussion
There was a short discussion to clarify the time limit for persons addressing the Selectboard and Mr. Keenan asked about the previous minutes from December being approved. Norman Bamford noted that they were approved. The Town Clerk made a clarification of dates and why Mr. Keenan had not seen they was approved on the website.
Mr. Keenan addressed the Selectboard about his grievances about the Trespass order that was issued against him in April 2020. Mr. Keenan also presented the Selectboard a motion for their consideration(see attached sheet).
Norman Bamford accepted the proposed motion to be under advisement by the selectboard and legal representatives and would be making a decision at a later date.
Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Representative
Gary Edwards addressed the Selectboard in regards to appointing a member to the Frenchman Bay Reginal Shellfish Committee. Mr. Edwards presented 2 recommendations from the Shellfish Board, Gus Karush and Graham Platner.
Norman Bamford moved to appoint Gus Karush to the Marine Joint Board and Graham Platner as an alternate. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Old Business:
DM&J Transfer station Budget
DM&J has notified the Town that they would be charging more for emptying the demo and dumpster at the transfer station. Currently its cost the town around 1.75 a bag with out the extra cost of electricity, plowing, payroll and etc. this brings the cost per bag to over $2.00 per bag. There was a item that came across the Town Managers email about having people buy bags specifically for the transfer station. There was a discussion of pros and cons of this system.

Norman Bamford moved to have the Town Manager set up a presentation on the prepaid trash bags. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Town Manager Reports:

Town Manager

The Town Manager was please to notify the Selectboard that the boil water order for the Town Office Building has been removed.

Renewal of Mark Andrews Auto Recycling License Zoning Renewal. Just to let the Selectboard know this was being submitted.

Erin Shanahan asked who would be acting in place till a new CEO was hired. The Town Manager will be acting as CEO until one can be hired.

Fire Department

Year-end report from the Hancock RCC for Sullivan Fire/EMS see attached sheet.

Planning Board

Michael Pinkham II gave a general report from last months meeting. That they approved 2 Family Campgrounds that limits how many campers can be placed on the properties.

Public Comment

Don Snokes discussed how 5 yrs ago the Town developed a committee to improve the high-speed internet access with in the Towns Boarders. At that time there was just 10% of the had high-speed internet. Currently there is 100% coverage between Starlink and Spectrum. This was at no added cost to the Towns Budget. Compared to other towns that spent 40 million.

John Keenan asked for further clarification about the time limits for speakers addressing the time limit.

Allen Colebank addressed the Selectboard about his ongoing issues with code enforcement compliance. Asking for the Selectboard to vote on a resolution to suspend or delay the court date. He also noted that the Town Manager will be CEO automatically for up to a year but the town needs to file this with the Fire Marshalls office. Norman Bamford noted it was in the hands of the Appeals Board and that the Selectboard can not discuss legal cases.

Don Snoke asked about the Status of the Budget Committee. The Town Manager noted the are on the Towns calendar on the website the next meeting is scheduled for January 14th, 2025 5pm.

John Keenan readdress the Selectboard about his grievances. He feels he is being treated unfairly and with a bias.

Board Comment

Norman Bamford noted that the Roberts Rules of order is a generalization guideline for all meetings. There are specific guidelines for Selectboard meetings that he gave to Mr. Keenan.

Motion to Adjourn

Norman Bamford moved to adjourn the meeting. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:27pm

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Motion to Adopt Declaration

John Keenan 3 Frenchmans Bay Lane 04664

Hereby, Present to the Municipality of the Town of Sullivan Maine 04664 the following declaration by a motion agreement to adopt declaration as accurate and truthful.

"I Declare having found to this current date, discovered absent of any evidence of fact was presented to Maine State Police, State of Maine nor Sullivan resident Russell Gordon by the Municipality Town of Sullivan Maine to authorized either to lodge a complaint of trespass,

Title 17-A: MAINE CRIMINAL CODE
Part 2: SUBSTANTIVE OFFENSES
Chapter 17: BURGLARY AND CRIMINAL TRESPASS
§402-A §402. Criminal trespass

A person is guilty of criminal trespass if, knowing that that person is not licensed or privileged to do so, that person:

to have signed on 05/11/20 Summons of Complaint."

The Municipality of Sullivan in this Public forum agree hereby within, then the Town officials recognize the existence of the complaint as unauthorized and no longer be enforced by the Municipal Town of Sullivan, State of Maine

John Keenan

Move to Adopt_____ Deny_____

The merits of the declaration to be true and accurate,

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clerk recorder:

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Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Program
January 7, 2025

The seven town Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish program was established in 2010 and includes the municipalities of Ellsworth, Franklin, Hancock, Lamoine, Sorrento, Sullivan and Trenton. I represented Sullivan on the organizing committee and represented Sullivan on the Municipal Joint Board, the governing body. The FB shellfish committee is made up of licensed harvesters and advises the MJB. The State Department of Marine Resources oversees the program.

Mission Statement: These towns will act collaboratively as stewards to preserve, protect, manage and enhance the shellfish resources and ecological well-being of the Greater Frenchman Bay Region and to insure a sustainable harvest of shellfish and opportunity for those who make their living on the tide.

This program has been extremely successful. Through management habitat has been improved and the shellfish resource stabilized. There are currently 57 commercial harvesters in the region, 6 from Sullivan. See the latest landing report below.

DMR Clam Landings Report

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	5 Yr. Avg.
SULLIVAN	67,465	105,681	153,715	120,589	130,923	115,674
FBR TOTAL	670,940	515,420	556,995	496,577	444,645	536,916

Actions requested for this meeting:

Appoint a representative to Shellfish Committee – Gus Karush from Hancock recommended. Note: none of our commercial diggers have come forth to serve.

Appoint Graham Platner as Sullivan's alternate to the MJB. In the past has been a member of the Selectboard but no one has been appointed in many years.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Edwards, volunteer

Sullivan Fire Rescue Year End Report

01/02/25 HANCOCK COUNTY RCC 620

09:39 Total CAD Calls Received, by Nature of Call Page: 1

Nature of Call	Total Calls Received	% of Total
911 Call for State Police	1	0.33
Non-Dispatched 911 call	2	0.66
Assist Fire Department	2	0.66
Assist Law Enforcement	3	1.00
Assist Other	4	1.33
Alarm	18	5.98
Check well-being	3	1.00
Fire	21	6.98
Chimney Fires	1	0.33
Flooded Basement	1	0.33
Brush or Grass Fire	2	0.66
Odor Investigation gas etc.	2	0.66
Trees in the Power Lines	4	1.33
Smoke smell investigation	7	2.33
Structure Fire	1	0.33
Unattended/Unpermitted Burn	7	0.66
Vehicle Fire	1	0.33
Water Rescue	2	0.66
Information Report	1	0.33
Medical Emergency	38	12.62
First Responder Call	163	54.15
Non-Emergency Transport	1	0.33
Person with Mental Illness	1	0.33
Traffic Accident w/ Damage	5	1.66
Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	7	2.33
State Police Phone Transfer	1	0.33
Road Hazards (Sign/Signal/Deb	5	1.66
Unattended Death	1	0.33
Vehicle off road	1	0.33

Total Calls: 301

Report Includes:

All dates between `00:00:01 01/01/24` and `23:59:59 12/31/24`

All nature of incidents

All cities

All types

All priorities

All agencies matching `SUFD`

All zones

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Approval of the Minutes from the January 7th 2025 Selectboard Meeting

Norman Bamford

Erin Shanahan

Gregory Ring

Attached:

- **Minutes of Selectboard 01-07-2025**
- **Motion to Adopt Declaration Submitted by John Keenan**
- **Frenchman Bay Shellfish Program Report Submitted by Gary Edwards**
- **Sullivan Fire Rescue's Year End Report (Hancock County RCC)**
- **Agenda of Meeting**