Sullivan Select Board Meeting
December 17, 2024

Selectmen: Norman Bamford, Erin Shanahan Gregory Ring
Town Manager: Ray Weintraub, Town Clerk: Yvette Grindle
Audience: Sheal Dedmon, Bonnie Sparks on Zoom, Paula Ring and Betsy Wakefield

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
Erin Shanahan moved to approve the minutes from the 12-03-24 and 12-09-2024 meetings as written. Norman Bamford seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.
Treasurers Warrant
Gregory Ring moved to accept the Treasurers warrant as presented. Norman Bamford seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.
Adjustments to the agenda
No adjustments made.
New Business:
Trespass Notice Discussion
Mr. Keenen was not present to address the Selectboard. Erin Shanahan addressed the room, noting that the Town has lifted the no trespass order that had been in place.
Old Business:
Appointment of Registrar
After a brief discussion as to the duties of the Registrar of Voters.
Norman Bamford moved to appoint Yvette Grindle as the Registrar of Voters. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.
Background Checks for Town Employees
The Town Manager had talked with Maine Municipal and inquired about the cost of the background checks. They informed him that it would possibly be no cost for municipalities or at the most $20.00 fee.
Trees on Grange Hall Road
Gregory Ring stated that these had been removed.
Long Pond Water District
The Town Manager presented a letter to the Selectboard. The letter was noting that the fire hydrants coming off from the Long Pond are not operable. They returned the check that the town had sent to them for the use of the hydrants.
Tree Trimming Versant
Town Manager noted that a representative from Versant had called to inform the Town, that they would be doing tree trimming along the roads in the Town.
Committee Reports
Age Friendly Sullivan
Candy Eaton had submitted a written report to the Selectboard(see attached report).
Parks and Rec Committee
Bonnie Sparks addressed the Selectboard updating them on the work on prioritizing the improvements and repairs to the current assets in the Town.

One of the top priorities is improvements to the skate park. Nor'easter Skateparks is coming to look at the skate park on January 2nd 2025 to tell us what can be done and the estimated cost. The committee is working on submitting grant applications in hopes to get this project funded. Bonnie Sparks noted that they are working on getting some of the local Skateboards to come to the meeting on January 2nd 2025 plus a few other community members.

Public Comment

Sheal Dedmon asked about the accountability of the two squad cars being used for non-Town Business. This was a concern of a few members of the audience.

Board Comment

No comments made

Motion to Adjourn

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm

Norman Bamford

Erin Shanahan

Gregory Ring

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Town of Sullivan
Address

Date

To Whom it May Concern,

The District has determined that the three fire hydrants at the Sumner Campus do not meet the requirements for fire suppression, and therefore have been tagged-out as inoperative.

Until this situation is remedied, the District will discontinue billing for the use of the hydrants and is refunding the current payment made by the Town of Sullivan. Enclosed please find the previously issued check.

Earl McKenney, Superintendant

Earl McKenney

Age-Friendly Sullivan progress report to Select Board 12.17.24:

Bone Builder's Testimonial

"I've only been attending Bone Building Exercise group for a few months. I have discovered the positive difference in my pain level. It has decreased in doing daily chores. On the evening before Thanksgiving, I had even more reason to be thankful for attending the Bone Builders Group. My husband was going downstairs (which is a few steps to the landing, then continues to 7 feet of further steps to the main floor). During that time, he tripped on the landing. I was behind him as he continued to fall backwards with no railings. I was able to grab his arm and pull him to safety. I will always believe I had the strength to lift him because of Bone Builders strength exercises. Thank you for giving me the strength to rescue my husband from serious injury." Luanne Slater, Hancock.

Donations:

Andrea St. George Jones family has requested donations in Andrea's memory be made to Age-Friendly Sullivan. They will be mailed to the Town Office — please maintain a list so that we can send personal thank you notes.

Community Connector:

Misty has been busy connecting our community members to needed resources — heating assistance, housing repairs, caregiver resources, transportation volunteers.

Website Updates:

- Updated Trades Resource Guide posted as needed, available for download
- New Caregiver Resource Guide posted available for download

Upcoming Activities/Events

- 1/08/24: AFS monthly meeting: Caregiving Resources - multiple in-home caregiving agencies and private duty individuals
- Potential future guest speakers: American Red Cross, USDA resources, "Nesterly" Housing,

As always, please do not hesitate to ask questions or seek additional information. Thanks & Cheers, Candy

Candy Eaton, Coordinator
Age-Friendly Sullivan
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