THE WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2007

HANCOCK, S.S STATE OF MAINE

To Lynn A. Dunbar, 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 inhabitants of the Town of Sullivan in said County, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, **to meet at Sorrento Sullvan Recreation Center in said Town on Monday, the 24th day of June, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the afternoon,** then and there to act on the articles to wit:

Article:

1. To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting

Rob Eaton Nominated Fred Ehrlenbach as Moderator Don Snokes seconded the nomination. John Keenan stood up and stated he wanted to nominate someone but was giving a campaign speech and was asked several times to give the name of his nominee and Mr. Keenan persisted in his speech and was asked to either sit down or leave 2-3 times. Mr. Michael Pinkham I, moved to close nominations and it was seconded by Gary Edwards. The Town Clerk asked for individuals to bring forth their ballot indicating who they wished to be a Moderator. She asked a second time for the audience to bring forth their ballots for their choice of Moderator. It was overwhelmingly in Fred Ehrlenbach favor.

2. To instruct the Selectmen to appoint all other Town Officials.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

3. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Sullivan will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction or by advertised sealed bids; except shorefront property for which a public hearing would be held prior to being sold, and to convey titles obtained under tax deeds and under deed of conveyance to the Inhabitants of the Town of any land and /or building including trailers in lieu of payments of taxes. The Selectmen have the power to authorize redemption and reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids

   John Keenan moved to amend the warrant to start with article 39. The Moderator informed him he could not take articles out of order.

   Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, unconditional gift of property and/or donations that they feel are in the Towns best interest to accept.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of Town owned property under such terms and conditions, as they deem advisable.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and 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 2024 - 2025 year and to fix a time within that said securities are to become due.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

7. To see if the town will vote that the 2024 taxes will be due on and payable to the Tax Collector as soon as the Tax Collector receives the warrant, and to charge 8% per annum interest on all unpaid taxes commencing 120 days after the commitment date.

Bethany Leavitt Moved to amend the warrant article to lower the Percentage rate from 8% to 4% per annum. This motion was seconeded and passed

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried as amended.

8. 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 5% of the Tax Commitment.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

9. 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.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

10. 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.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend any miscellaneous departmental revenues received during 2024/2025 within the same department.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following funds, reserves and surplus to reduce the Town's 2024-2025 tax commitment. $ 1,240,000 (The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Motor Vehicle Excise	$ 210,000	$ 250,735
Motor Vehicle Agent Fees	$ 4,000	$ 5,020
IFW Boat Excise	$ 1,000	$ 3,108
IFW Agent Fees	$ 300	$ 507
Clerk Fees	$ 868	$ 1582

Interest on Taxes	$ 15,000	$ 17,116
Lien Fees	$ 4,000	$ 5722
Building Permits	$ 3,000	$ 5,000
Cable Franchise Fees	$ 8,000	$ 8,000
Interest on Checking	$ 18,000	$ 32,169
Revenue Sharing	$ 197,991	$175,474
Homestead Reimbursement	$ 95,000	$ 95,000
Veterans Reimbursement	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Tree Growth Reimbursement	$ 48,000	$ 50,910
BETE Reimbursement	$ 800	$ 800
Fire Dept Township 7 Contract	$ 2,100	$ 2,100
EMT Transports Wage Reimb	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
Trash Stickers	$ 13,000	$ 13,000
Demo Fees	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
Township 7 Contract	$ 450	$ 450
Local Roads Assistance Program	$ 20,000	$ 20,000
Boat Ramp Fees	$ 2,000	$ 2,500
Mooring Fees	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Municipal Office Rental	$ 23,000	$ 30,000
Gordon's Wharf Rentals	$ 2,100	$ 2,100
Dog Fees	$ 500	$ 500
Shellfish Permits	$ 125	$ 125
Alewives	$ 1,575	$ 1,575
Sullivan Daze	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Totals	$ 705,429	$ 742,993

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Curbside Pickup	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
General Assitance	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
Paving	$ 130,000	$ 130,000
Totals	$ 155,000	$ 155,000

	FY 2024	FY 2025
Local Road Assistance Program	$ 30,496	$ 30,496
Res. Tennis Court	$ 4,736	$ 4,736
Res. Tax Maps	$ 17,452	$ 17,452
Res. Ambulance Transport	$ 2,749	$ 2,749
Res. FEMA Grant	$ 3,217	$ 3,217
Res. Paving Account	$209,352	$209,352
Res. Road/ Culv Maintenance	$ 56,256	$ 50,000
Res. Salt & Sand Shed	$ 6,892	$ 4,810
Res. Road Salt & Sand	$ 5,743	$ 5,743
Res. Cemeteries	$ 1,700	$ 1,700
Res. Food Pantry	$ 1,752	$ 1,752
Res. Comp Plan	$ 20,000	$ 10,000
Totals	$360,345	$342,007

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for Assessing for the Town. $93,000
(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
Assessor	$ 7,500	$ 40,000
Abatements	$ 5,000	$ 50,000
Tax Maps	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Revaluation	$ 17,500	$ 0
Totals	$ 33,000	$ 93,000

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for Payroll for the Town. $ 296,000
(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)

John Keenan moved to add an additional warrant article to vote on Selectperons Salary separately, and it was not seconded and the Moderator informed Mr. Keenan he could not add to the Warrant.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
Selectperson #1 (paid quarterly)	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Selectperson #2 (paid quarterly)	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Selectperson #3 (paid quarterly)	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Town Manager	$ 75,000	$ 75,000
Tax Collector	$ 26,000	$ 28,000

Deputy Tax Collector	$ 0	$ 14,000
Treasurer	$ 30,000	$ 30,000
Town Clerk	$ 40,000	$ 40,000
Deputy Town Clerk	$ 28,000	$ 28,000
Code Enforcement Officer	$ 15,000	$ 15,000
Payroll Service Fees	$ 2,000	$ 2,200
Health Insurance	$ 30,000	$ 30,000
FICA – Town	$ 16,600	$ 17,100
Medicare	$ 3,800	$ 4,000
State Unemploment	$ 3,550	$ 3,700
Totals	$ 278,950	$ 286,000

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for Insurances for the Town. $29,500 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Property & Casualty	$ 19,000	$ 22,000
Workers Compensation	$ 5,000	$ 7,500
Totals	$ 24,000	$ 29,500

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for Operating Expenses for the Town. $98450 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Advertising	$ 4,000	$ 6,000
Accounting Services	$ 12,000	$ 22,000
Bank Fees	$ 200	$ 200
Copier Lease	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
Dues & Memberships	$ 4,000	$ 4,750
Elections	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
Legal Fees	$ 10,000	$ 6,000
Hancock RCC-911	$ 4,500	$ 4,500
Lien Costs	$ 4,500	$ 4,500
Travel	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
Ordinance Update	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Postage	$ 4,300	$ 4,500

Software	$ 17,000	$ 17,000
Computer Support & Equip	$ 11,000	$ 10,000
Supplies	$ 3,000	$ 3,500
Training	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
Web Hosting	$ 500	$ 3,500
Totals	$ 87,000	$ 98,450

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for Community Events for the Town. $15,250 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Memorial Day	$ 500	$ 500
Sullivan Daze	$ 13,500	$ 14,000
Flags	$ 500	$ 750
Totals	$ 15,000	$ 15,250

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Comprehensive Plan for the Town. $10,000 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Comprehensive Plan	$ 10,000	$ 10,000

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Fire portion of the Fire & Rescue Department. $ 183,500 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Firefighter Wages	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Fire Chief	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Dues & Memberships	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Volunteer FF Insurance	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Supplies	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
Training	$ 3,500	$ 3,500
Electric	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
Phone/Internet	$ 2,000	$ 2,000

Heating Fuel	$ 8,000	$ 8,000
Dumpster	$ 0	$ 1,000
Truck Maintenance	$ 20,000	$ 20,000
SCBA Equipment	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Equipment Maintenance	$ 0	$ 10,000
Equipment Testing	$ 4,000	$ 5,000
New Equipment	$ 0	$ 10,000
Respiratory Protection	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Turnout Gear	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Communications	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Protective Gear	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
Hydrants	$ 3,500	$ 3,500
Suppression Systems	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Fuel	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
Fire Station #1 Repairs/Maint	$ 20,000	$ 20,000
Fire Station #2 Repairs/Maint	$ 20,000	$ 20,000
Totals	$ 161,500	$ 183,500

20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds from Surplus for the Fire Truck Reserve, with the intent that these funds would be used for the Fire Truck purchase. Up to $ 65,000 if needed instead of borrowing. *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the EMT portion of the Fire and Rescue Department. $ 86,800 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
EMT Chief	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
EMT Deputy Chief	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
EMT Transport Wages	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
Ambulance Staff Oncall Wages	$ 36,500	$ 36,500
Ambulance Contract	$ 13,000	$ 13,000
EMT Apparel	$ 800	$ 800
Licensing Fees	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
Supplies	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Training	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
Totals	$ 86,800	$ 86,800

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the purchase of a power stretcher and the attachment to that goes on the ambulance. $ 60,000 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Transfer Station. $43,950 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Transfer Station Attendants	$ 13,000	$ 10,000
Dues & Memberships	$ 50	$ 50
Licensing Fees	$ 600	$ 600
Building Maintenance	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Repairs & Maintenance	$ 5,000	$ 2,000
Rentals	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Supplies	$ 100	$ 200
Electric	$ 2,500	$ 3,000
Porta Potty	$ 0	$ 1,000
MSW Tipping	$ 17,500	$ 17,500
Demo Tipping	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
Waste Transport	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
Dumpster Rental	$ 1,500	$ 2,500
MRC Dues	$ 85	$ 100
Totals	$ 47,335	$ 43,950

24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Town Roads. $ 636,600 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Plowing	$ 130,000	$ 140,000
Salt	$ 15,000	$ 30,000
Sand	$ 15,000	$ 15,000
Maintenance	$ 25,000	$ 50,000
Paving	$ 130,000	$ 400,000
Culverts	$ 5,000	$ 0

Signs	$ 500	$ 0
Mowing & Trimming	$ 7,000	$ 1,600
Totals	$ 327,500	$ 636,600

25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Town Properties. $ 96,400
(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
Dumpster Rental	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Electric	$ 4,500	$ 7,000
Street Lights	$ 8,000	$ 8,000
Phone/Internet	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Security Systems	$ 600	$ 600
Heating Fuel	$ 10,000	$ 13,000
Water Testing	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Property Maintenance	$ 37,000	$ 45,000
Mowing	$ 5,000	$ 1,800
Playground	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
Hastings House	$ 35,000	0
Flanders Pond Beach	$ 2,000	$ 3,000
Harbor Landing	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
Flanders Bay Landing	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
Gordons Wharf	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
Sumner Park	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
Tennis Court	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
Totals	$ 120,100	$ 96,400

26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for General Assistance. $ 5,000
(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	**FY 2025**
General Assistance	$ 5,000	$ 5,000

27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Animal Control Officer. $ 3,500 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
Animal Control Officer	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Animal Shelter	$ 100	$ 100
Travel	$ 400	$ 400
Totals	$ 3,500	$ 3,500

28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Harbor Department. $9,000 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
Harbor Master	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
Dues and Memberships	$ 0	$ 1,000
Travel & Training	$ 500	$ 500
Flanders Bay Ramp	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
Gordon Wharf Float	$ 0	$ 500
Sullivan Harbor Ramp	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
Totals	$ 7,500	$ 9,000

29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Conservation. $ 3,000 (*The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval*.)

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
Shellfish 7 Town Contract	$ 3,000	$ 3,000

30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds - $1,000 for Parks and Recreation Programs *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the Age Friendly Committee. $5,000 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
Supplies	$ 500	$ 500
Community Garden	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Circle of Friends Birthday Cards	$ 500	$ 500
Health & Wellness	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Housing, Sand, Smoke/CO	$ 500	$ 500
Walking Trail/Rec Activities	$ 500	$ 500
Events/Movie Night	$ 500	$ 500
All Other Programs	$ 500	$ 500
Totals	$ 5,000	$ 5,000

32. To see if the Town will vote to create a Sexton position for the Cemeteries. $3,000 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Myra Hornberger moved to amend the warrant to say "the Cemetaries owned by the "Town of Sullivan" motion was seconded and passed
Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried as amended.

33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for the cemeteries. $35,000 (*The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval*.)

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
Repairs	$ 15,000	$ 10,000
Maintenance	$ N/A	$ 10,000
Mowing	$ 15,000	$ 15,000
Totals	$ 30,000	$ 35,000

34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for County Tax & Contingency. $125,000 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
County Tax	$ 95,000	$ 120,000
Contingency	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
Totals	$ 100,000	$ 125,000

35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for Contributions. $21,750 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2025
American Red Cross	$ 500	$ 500
Community Health & Counselling	$ 220	$ 0
Downeast Community Partners	$ 4,950	$ 4,950
Downeast Horizons	$ 275	$ 275
Downeast YMCA	$ 2,200	$ 2,200
Eastern Area Agency on Aging	$ 990	$ 1,000
Ells Library Card Reimbursement	$ 1,100	$ 1,100
Emmaus Center	$ 825	$ 825
Friends in Action	$ 500	$ 500
Families First	$ 500	$ 500
Hospice of Hancock County	$ 800	$ 800
Loaves & Fishes	$ 2,500	$ 2,750
Life Flight	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Backpack Program	$ 250	$ 250
Little League	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Maine Public Radio	$ 100	$ 100
Schoodic Food Pantry	$ 1,500	$ 2,750
Yesterday's Children	$ 100	$ 100
WIC Program	$ 1,150	$ 1,150
Totals	$ 20,460	$ 21,750

36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds for Community Services which includes Frenchman Bay Library, Sorrento – Sullivan Recreation Center, Sorrento Sullivan Historical Society and the Schoodic National Byway. $31,000 *(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.)*

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

	FY 2024	FY 2024
Frenchman Bay Library	$ 6,000	$ 8,000
S/S Recreation Center	$ 20,000	$ 20,000
S/S Historical Society	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
Schoodic National Byway	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
Totals	$ 29,000	$ 31,000

37. 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, or other funding organizations; 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

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

38. 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.

Myra Hornberger moved to amend to warrant article to read "to Cover any unanticipated expenditures" rather than "over-expenditures" motion seconded and passed.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried as anebded.

39. To see if the town will vote to increase to 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).

Motion was moved and seconded and after a suggestion it recended due to the fact the Town could pass over this article as the budget was less than fy 23-24. Then it was moved to recend the previous motion and that was seconded and passed.
Mr. Bruce Havey JR moved to pass on article 39 as the Budget for FY 2024-2025 is less than the previous year (FY 2023-2024). This does not need to be voted on by the town. Roger Wakefield seconded this motion. Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

40. To see if the Town will vote that the taking of alewives for the year 2025 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.

Motion was so moved and seconded. Motion was carried.

Bethany Leavitt had a point of order in regards to the voting on a Budget Committee by the Town Members. The Moderator stated that the warrant could have articles added or removed.

Meeting adjourned 8:20pm