Age-Friendly Sullivan Livable Communities, **MINUTES**
Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 9a-10a, at **Sullivan Town Office**

	Topic	Discussion	Action
8:30am	Refreshments / Social	Meeting will begin at 9am: Larissa Heanssler, Nadine Murphy, Ray Weintraub, Misty Gleason, Candy Eaton, Don Snoke, Trudy Lunt, Cynthia Perkins, Christina McGowan, Beth Graham, Diana Gazis, Jeanne Edwards, Al May, Andrew Sankey, Kawther Mohamed, Andrew Sankey, Al May	Regrets:
9am	Guest Speakers: Andrew Sankey, Hancock County Emergency Management Alfred May, Maine CDC Public Health District Director *rescheduled for Sept. 3rd*	Andrew Sankey, Hancock County Emergency Management Agency speaking on "Individual & Community Preparedness and Resiliency." - intro to preparedness when moved here in October/ 1st winter (14 years); planning/preparing/responding/recovering from emergencies; Sorrento/Sullivan emergencies; now 2 wind farms/multi-solar farms throughout Hancock County; environmental responses needed; whole community type-things; individual disasters (home fires, etc); electric/phone needs; risks & hazards - natural/human caused/technological; Microsoft outage; Sullivan/Sorrento water pump failure; human caused (fraud/criminal acts/terrorism); natural: storms; wildfires; earthquake; drought; Jax has burned down 2ce; pandemic; drought (well) issues; FEMA warehouse (Maynard, MA); no agency at any level of government available to rescue you. At largest risk: Islands (Cranberry, Frenchboro, etc); Discussion about shelter experiences; Warming/Cooling Centers - charge phones, update family etc. - essential services. Current FEMA challenges. "Taking Care of Community begins with Taking Care of One's Self": Risks: Natural - severe storms, wildfire, flood, pandemic, earthquake, drought, solar sunspots; Human caused: political, criminal acts, terrorism; Technological: cyber, infrastructure failure, HazMat, Y2K. Distributed list of personal & household preparedness considerations & recommendations.	

	Current Discussion & Project Updates:	July - FREE Music in the Park - Wednesday evenings 5:30-7p • 7/9: Abe Barrett with Tracey's Seafood • 7/16: Zella Harmon / Bruce Munger with Downeast Mexican Food Truck • 7/23: Tony & Lori Scarlatos & Friends with Flanders Bay BBQ Food Truck • 7/30: The Snarky Sisterz with Black Sheep Food Truck • 8/01: Crying Out Loud with Tracey's Seafood, Black Sheep, Flanders Bay BBQ & Waukeag Neck Oysters Community Connector updates: USDA grants/loans; National Digital Equity website; Echo DOTS, collaborate with SMHS for service students; volunteers for drivers	
	Financial	$10,000 Maine Community Foundation: Skatepark TBA: $10,000 AARP Community Grant: Gazebo update	
	Announcements/Updates	6/03: EAAA Food Distribution - applications at Town Office 6/17: Birthday Cards - 11:45a Town Office Tues/Thurs: 10:30-11:30 Bone Builders - openings available	
	Community Organization Updates:	Frenchman's Bay Library - open Mon & Sat 10-2p; Tues & Thurs 1-5p; Mondays: 10:30 fiber arts, ; 6/26 Board meeting - additional members desired. Sorrento-Sullivan Historical Society - Dr. Dwayne Tomah, Language Keeper of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, 6/21 1pm "Doctrine of Discovery" at Farmstead Barn Sullivan-Sorrento Recreation Center - Generator - warming/ cooling center; water testing; reunification center; wifi security system (linked to M. Pinkham's cell phone); StarLink removed; potential pickleball court; damage to septic system due to car crash; 6/8 work day - exterior paint 9am Sunday (iffy) Schoodic National Scenic Byway - #4! Congratulations;	FBL 6/14 10:30am (1 of 11 libraries) - explore Wabanaki lands / booklets (not just for kids) 6/14 10-2 Byway Celebration SSRC
	RSU#24 & Ellsworth educational opportunities:	https://rsu24.maineadulted.org/classes/ https://ellsworth.maineadulted.org/	

	Civic Engagement:	6/03: 5pm Select Board meeting 6/08: 4-6p Community Discussion “Storms & Coastal Flooding: Planning for the Future” SSRC pizza social 6-7p **6/10: 8a-8p ELECTION DAY** 6/17: 5pm Select Board meeting **6/23: 7pm Annual Town Meeting, SSRC** https://sullivanmaine.org/calendar-events/	
	Next meeting (in-person):	July — NO MEETING — Join us for MUSIC in the Park 8/06: Casey Estes, Community Health & Counseling 9/03: Al May, Maine CDC (rescheduled)	