Sullivan Select Board
Meeting Minutes
June 01, 2026

Selectmen: Gregory Ring, and Michael Hosking
Town Manager: Ray Weintraub, **Town Clerk:** Yvette Grindle
Audience: John Keenan, Michael Pinkham I, Sharon Baron, Don Snoke, Cyndi Stanley Kim Brooks , (on Zoom) Judy Ashby and Christina McGowan.

1. Call Meeting to Order/Pledge
   The Meeting was called to Order by Michael Hosking with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:30pm.
2. Review of Selectboard Policy
   Michael Hosking reminded the audience that a copy of the Selectboard Meeting Policy was available on the sign-in table for review.
3. Adjustments to the Agenda-

Michael Hosking added talking to the Schoodic Byway Event Center before the RSU 24 Adult Ed Contract.

4. Approval of the Minutes

Michael Hosking moved to approve the 05-18-2026 minutes as presented. Gregory Ring seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

5. Treasurers Warrant

A.) Payroll Warrant for 05-22-26 $ $8,296.90

Michael Hosking moved to approve the Payroll Warrant for 3-14-26, 3-20-26 and 3-27-26. Gregory Ring seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

B.)A/P Warrant 06/012026 in the amount of $71,365.34

Michael Hosking moved to approve the Accounts Payable Warrant for 05/05/2026. Gregory Ring seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

<u>New Business:</u>

6. Schoodic Byway Event Center

The Selectboard expressed concern about the actions of the Event Center denying a citizen group from having a Candidate Forum. The Selectboard asked as to why the Town should be giving $20,000 to the Rec Center.
Don Snoke stated that the bylaws of the Rec Center doesn't allow any Political activity at the Rec Center. There was a special allowance for the Town Meeting. Any Candidate Forum needs to be sponsored by some group or organization.

7. RSU 24# Adult Education Lease

The Town Manager gave a general overview of the contract.

Michael Hosking moved to approve the contract for the RSU 24 Adult Ed. Gregory Ring seconded the motion and it passed 2/0.

<u>Old Business:</u>

8. Animal Control issue:

The Town Manager directed the Selectboard to the letter in their folders from Hancock County Commissioners stating that the current ACO has resigned. The Hancock County Sherrif will be covering any issues until a new ACO is hired.

9. Town Property Mowing :

Gregory Ring will provide a new contract for consideration of the Selectboard.

10. Alewives Contract

The Town Manager is going to work with Alan Doughty to obtain more data needed to consider the extended contract with Alan Doughty. To make sure that the Town can do the extended contract.

Gregory Ring noted that the old decking left from the previous Alewives harvester, on the Thorne Road needs to be removed.

11. Town Manager Reports:

a) Town Manager

1. Communication Grant

The Town has received a grant to improve our audio-visual capabilities in the amount of $8,500.00. The remainder of the grant if any could go to a new electronic sign.

2. Tree Work bidding

The Town Manager noted that he had received a call from an arborist with questions and bids are to be turned in by June 2, 2026.

3. Paving Proposal from Eaton Paving.

Proposal from Eaton on the whole road work with in the Town. Moved to the July 6, 2026 meeting.

4. Ambulance Work

Ambulance has been repaired. The rear end needed to have some work .

12. Committee Reports

a) Sullivan Age-Friendly

Kimberly Brooks gave a general overview of her written report. Highlighting the volunteer hours and the activities of the past month and upcoming events. Michael Hosking thanked the Fire Chief for his assistance with the flow of traffic on the bridge during the Memorial Day Event.

b) Communication Committee

Yvette Grindle gave a verbal update on the Town Crier going out and social media. She also noted the work done by Bonnie Sparks and Hugo Diaz on creating a website for events going on with in the Town of Sullivan and includes Parks and Recreation work. She called attention the flyer for the Upcoming Sullivan Daze event.

c) Parks and Recreation - Absent

13. Public Comment

a. Sharon Baron asked about the files from ACO from the current cases. It was noted by the Selectboard the County has the records.
b. Don Snokes noted that the Skatepark - Playground area needs to be part of the mowing contract.
c. John Keenan- expressed his concerned about conflicts with the Town having their Town Meeting at the Rec Center. He submitted some clauses from the state(see the attached submission).

14. Board Comment

No comments made.

15. Action Item List

16. Move to Executive Session

Michael Hosking moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6) (F) to discuss
Confidential Records. Gregory Ring seconded the motion, and the motion passed 3/0.
Moved to executive session 6:20 pm

17. Move to Regular Meeting Session

Michael Hosking moved to enter into Regular Session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6) (F) to discuss Confidential Records. Gregory Ring seconded the motion, and the motion passed 3/0.
Moved to regular session 6:30 pm

18. Executive Session Actions

Michael Hosking stated that the Selectboard decided where the additional funds received were to be spent in the Town.

19. Adjournment of Meeting

Michael Hosking moved to adjourn the meeting. Gregory Ring seconded the motion and the motion passed 2/0.
Meeting adjourned at 6:37pm.

Approval of the Minutes
from the June 01,2026
Selectboard Meeting

_____	_____
Michael Hosking	**Gregory Ring**

Attached:

- **Agenda of Selectboard 06-01-2026**
- **RSU 24 Adult Education Lease Agreement**
- **Letter From the Hancock County Sheriff's Department**
- **Age Friendly report for May 2026**
- **Sullivan Daze Flyer**
- **John Keenans written concerns on location of the Town Meeting June 22,26**

Sullivan Select Board
1888 US Highway 1
Sullivan, Maine 04664
https://sullivanmaine.org/

Agenda – June 01, 2026 5:30pm
Sullivan Town Office
Community Room

1. Call Meeting to Order/Pledge
2. Review of Selectboard Policy
3. Adjustments to the Agenda
4. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes(March 2, 2026)
5. Treasurers Warrant
   a) Payroll Warra6t for 05/22/2026
   b) A/P Warrant 03/01/2026

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7. Animal Control issues
8. Town Property Mowing
9. Alewives Contract
10. Town Manager Reports:
    a) Town Manager
11. Committee Reports
    a) Sullivan Age-Friendly
    b) Communication Committee
    c) Parks and Recreation
12. Public Comment
13. Board Comment
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17. Executive Session Actions
18. Adjournment of Meeting

Zoom Link https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4766949799?omn=87423688522
Meeting ID: 476 694 9799

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Sheriff

William R. Birch
Chief Deputy

Brian K. Archer
Lieutenant

Dakota D. Dupuis
Lieutenant

Hancock County Sheriff's Department
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Good afternoon,

If you are receiving this email, it is because your town or township contracts with Hancock County for animal control services.

Effective May 28, 2026, animal control services for your town or township will be handled by the Hancock County Sheriff's Office. Any animal control complaints should be reported through the Hancock Regional Communications Center at 207-667-7575.

The following complaints are considered "emergency" calls:

- Domestic animal attacks, including animal bites
- The immediate need to locate shelter for a domestic animal due to a homeowner's death, incapacity, or fire
- Horses or other livestock loose in the roadway creating a danger to themselves or traffic
- Situations involving possible animal mistreatment, neglect, or unsafe living conditions for an animal. These complaints should be coordinated with the State Humane Agent responsible for Hancock County in conjunction with the Sheriff's Office.

Emergency calls will be responded to by a deputy as soon as reasonably available, but at a minimum within 24 hours of receiving the complaint.

Any complaints not listed above will be considered "non-emergency" calls and will be responded to by a deputy from the Sheriff's Office within 96 hours of receiving the complaint.

If you have any questions regarding this transition, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you,

Hancock County Sheriff's Office

LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWN/ OF SULLIVAN AND REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 24

The **TOWN of Sullivan (TOWN)** shall lease a portion of the West Wing of the Sullivan Town Office Building to **Regional School Unit 24's Adult Education Program (RSU 24).** This lease is for Rooms #1, 2, 3, 4A, 4B, 5, 6 (a shared kitchen area), 7A, 7B; one (1) bathroom, a shared closet, a shared hallway, and basement "Gallery" space (see attached floor plan for leased areas).

RSU 24 agrees to lease the premises for a period of two (2) years and shall pay the sum of $2,674.00 (Two-Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars) per month from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027; and $2,674.00 (Two-Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars) from July 1, 2027 to June 20, 2028.

The terms of this agreement shall be re-evaluated prior to June, 30 2027 to determine any needs for an adjustment due to the cost of utilities.

RSU 24 and the TOWN agree to the following:

Any damages caused by RSU 24, during the course of the agreement, shall be the responsibility of RSU 24.

It shall be the RSU 24 staff's responsibility to turn off lights every day and to turn the thermostat down to 62 degrees every day upon leaving the building, as well as lock the outside West entrance door when leaving and check the front door to be sure it is locked when they are the last ones to occupy the building.

The West entrance shall serve as the handicap entrance for the public portion of the building for both parties.

The TOWN agrees to provide heat, lights, water, sewage, garbage, lawn mowing (front lawn only) and snowplowing and sanding of the entrances, yard, and parking areas at no cost to RSU 24.

The TOWN agrees to maintain and repair the building's mechanical systems and structure.

Any plans for future improvements or modifications to the building shall be presented to the Board of Selectmen for their approval before any action is taken. Any renovations/improvements to the building shall become the sole property of the TOWN. Any TOWN approved renovations/improvements shall be at no cost to the TOWN, unless otherwise agreed upon. Within thirty (30) days following the termination of the lease for any reason.

RSU 24 shall restore the floors and walls of the leased premises to a condition satisfactory to the Town and remove all RSU 24 property including any outbuildings/storage buildings on the property that are owned by RSU 24.

RSU 24 shall maintain liability insurance on the premises in the amount of $300,000; accident insurance on the RSU 24 staff, RSU 24 students and RSU 24 visitors and insurance to cover RSU 24 owned furnishings and equipment. The lessee shall provide the lessor with a certificate of insurance annually.

Each member of the RSU 24 staff shall have keys for their designated areas. The TOWN shall have duplicate keys.

RSU 24 shall not assign or sublet the whole or any part of the leased premises without the written consent of the TOWN. The TOWN shall not assign or transfer in whole or in part any of the lease without 90 day's prior written notice to RSU 24.

RSU 24 Staff, students, and visitors shall park in the designated area located by the West entrance door or to the rear of the main parking area.

RSU 24 shall have the right to erect and maintain a sign in compliance with the TOWN Sign Ordinance.

The TOWN, its employees, contractors or agents (in the presence of the lessee) shall be permitted access to the leased premises 24 hours per day, 365 days per year, to view the leased premises for conformance with the terms thereof. In emergency situations, such as fire, electrical or heating systems malfunctions, etc. the presence of the lessee would not be required for the TOWN to gain entrance to the leased quarters.

Both the TOWN and RSU 24 shall try to coordinate their activities so as not to interfere with the other, but in case of a conflict, the TOWN does have priority. RSU 24 understands that it may have the use of the TOWN "meeting" room from time to time when it is not being otherwise used and when scheduled with the TOWN Clerk and Selectmen.

The TOWN agrees, as of the date of signing of this agreement, to allow RSU 24 staff, its contractors, or agents access to the building to allow necessary renovations and equipment installation.

TOWN OF SULLIVAN

_____ _____

Selectman Signature Date

_____ _____

Selectman Signature Date

_____ _____

Selectman Signature Date

STATE OF MAINE HANCOCK, ss.

On this _____day of _____, 2026, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared the above-named Selectmen of the Town of Sullivan and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be their free act and deed in their respective capacities and the free act and deed of said Town of Sullivan.

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Notary Public Signature

_____

Printed Name

My Commission Expires: _____

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 24

_____ _____

Superintendent Signature Date

STATE OF MAINE HANCOCK, ss.

On this _____day of _____, 2026, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared the above-named Superintendent of Regional School Unit 24 and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be their free act and deed in said capacity and the free act and deed of Regional School Unit 24.

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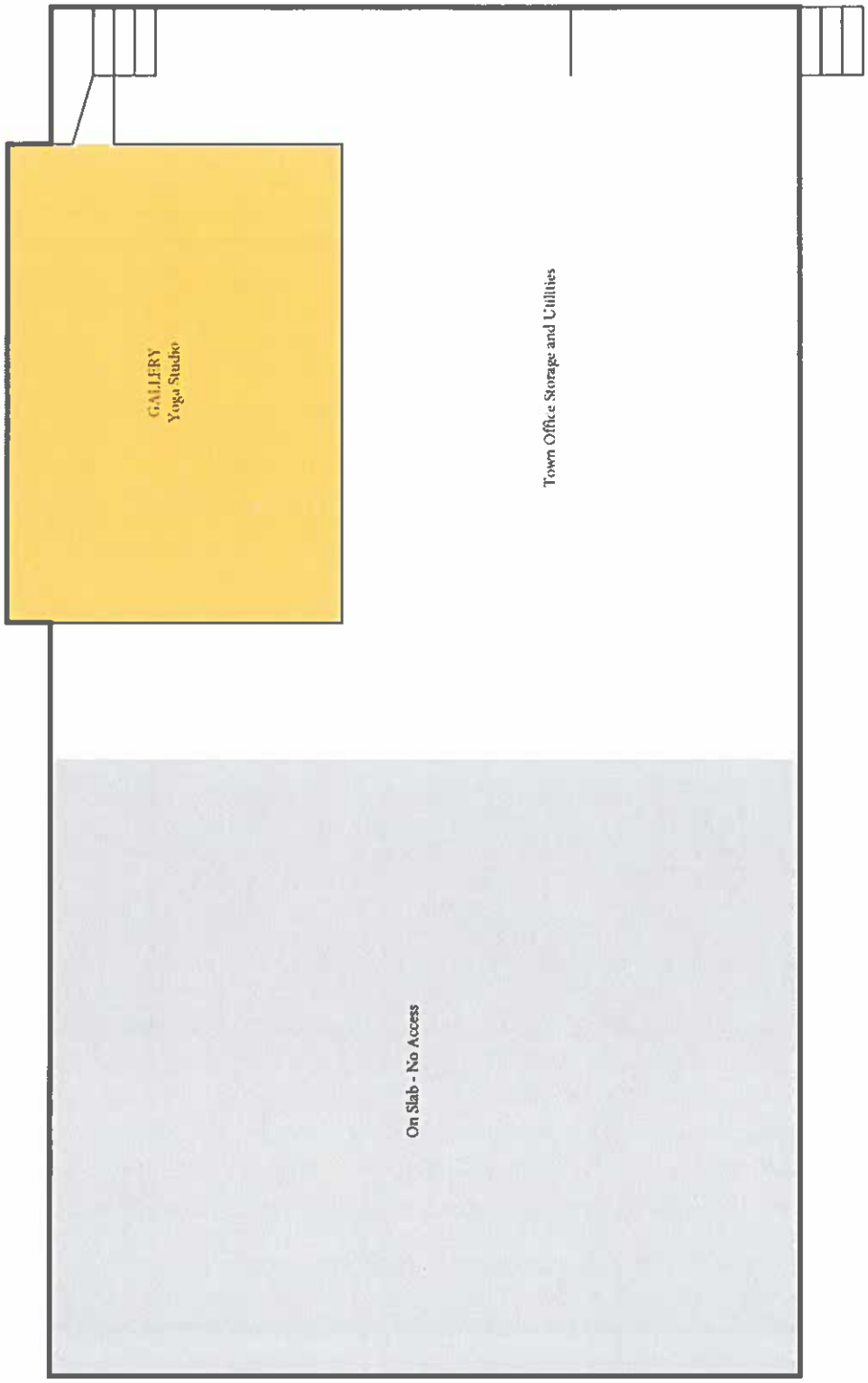
Notary Public Signature

_____

Printed Name

My Commission Expires: _____

Room 2
Classroom
Room 4B Office
Room 4A Office
Room 6
Kitchen
Restroom
Restroom
Jan. Closet
Community Room
Closet
Rest room
Community Connector
Rest room
Room 1
Classroom
Room 3
Classroom
Room 5
Adult Ed Office
Room 7A
Office
Town Office
Counter Area
Assessor
Office
Town
Manager
Office


GALLERY
Yoga Studio
Town Office Storage and Utilities
On Slab - No Access

Age-Friendly Sullivan Update for Sullivan Select Board Meeting on 6/1/26- Prepared by Kimberly Brooks

Activity and Volunteer Summary for May 1-31, 2026

Program/Activities for the Month	Total Hours*	Residents Served**
Memorial Day Gathering	121	100
Circle of Friends- Birthday Cards	20	83
Bone Builders	30	64
Assisted Rides	22	22
Monthly Meetings	6	13
Coffee House	15	13
Commodity Food Boxes - EAAA	7	6
Ladies Out Lunching	5	8
Community Connector- Resident services	32	11
Music in the Park	3	0
Community Garden	27	0
Other	55	6
Total	**343**	**326**

* Total Hours include Volunteer & AFS Team hours, **Some residents counted more than once if services were provided multiple times, *** Residents served only includes volunteer participation not entire town

General Updates & Highlights

- The Memorial Day Gathering had approximately 100 attendees despite the rain. Special thanks to everyone that helped make the program a success including; Norman Bamford, Rob Eaton, Candy Eaton, Nadine Murphy, Bruce Munger, Graham Platner, Ray Weintraub, Phil Cramer, Sam Brilliant, Misty Gleason, Mike Hosking and the dozens of people that stayed to help clean up. This was truly a heartwarming event that honored the memory of those that we have lost in service and represented the best of our community.
- The May Monthly Meeting was held on 5/6 and the Guest Speaker was Brad Bamford of Seaside Landscaping who discussed Spring garden transitions and gardening tools. There were 13 attendees.
- The monthly birthday card program provided 83 cards to adults in Sullivan. Nadine Murphy continues to provide mini paintings with all cards.
- 6 monthly Commodity Food Boxes were picked up and delivered to Sullivan residents from EAAA.
- Assisted Rides Program currently services 1 household of 2 people and provided 11 shared rides to them.
- The Community Garden is underway and the community beds are looking great. The team committed approximately 26 hours of volunteer time this month.

Community Connector

- Misty Gleason assisted a community member after a fire at their home. She coordinated emergency housing for them by partnering with local businesses and community members. She help 8 neighbors apply for HEAP ahead of the May 29th deadline. She continues to help 3 households with USDA loans and 4 with food insecurity.
- Community Action of Aroostook, Hancock and Washington Counties brought their Mobile Unit to the Sullivan Town Office to help residents with HEAP applications on May 28.
- Coffee House continues to have regular participation at the twice monthly meetings, ranging from 6 -9 people at each session. The session on May 15 included a discussion on Fraud/Scam Prevention lead by Misty.
- Ladies out Lunching (LOL) was held at The Black Sheep Restaurant with with 8 attendees on 5/8.

Communications, Website and Social Media

- February Town Crier Articles (2 each)- Community Connector Update for programs and Age-Friendly update for Upcoming events.
- Website updated with Monthly Meeting agenda and minutes.
- Press Releases sent to media and legislators- Monthly Meeting & Memorial Day Gathering
- Age-Friendly Sullivan in the News: Ellsworth American 5/28 - Featured for Memorial Day Gathering and Monthly Meeting announcement. News Center Maine- Misty was interviewed about the ACAP Mobile unit at the town office
- Flyers created and shared for Memorial Day, Music in the Park, Monthly Meetings, Ladies out Lunching and Coffee House. Flyers are shared on social media and to local bulletin boards.
- Daily FB posts are created with automatic posting to town webpage.

Monthly Social Media(Facebook)Statistics

	Followers	Views	Content Engagement
November 2025	600	4529	369
December	605	9111	376
January	618	17,237	462
February	626	20,200	671
March	635	16,700	547
April	641	17,700	726
May	650	18,400	529

Upcoming Activities/Events

- **Tues/Thursdays:** 10:30-11:30 Bone Builders
- **Age-Friendly Sullivan monthly meetings** are held the First Wednesday of each month from 9-10am at the Town Office**-** 6/3 - Guest Speaker will be a representative from the. Warm Windows Program. **No meeting July**. 8/5- Guest Speaker will be Hospice of Hancock County
- **Coffee House** - The 1st & 3rd Fridays each month 10am-noon at Town office. June 5 & 19 Everyone is invited. **Ladies out Lunching** Noon - 1:00 - June 12th Flanders Bay BBQ
- **Music in the Park** - 5:00-7:00 Live Music starts at 5:30

Date	Performer	Food Trucks
7/1	Buddy Angst	Black Sheep & Downeast Mexican
7/8	Hardy & Henley	Flanders Bay BBQ & Traceys Seafood
7/15	Diana Quinn Duo	Black Sheep & Downeast Mexican
7/22	Banned From Eden	Flanders Bay BBQ & Traceys Seafood

SULLIVAN DAZE 2026

"A Celebration Of Community And Place"

Location: Sumner Park, Sullivan
Friday July 31: 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Saturday Aug. 1: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Fireworks
Saturday Aug 1st
Starting @ 9:00PM

LIVE MUSIC SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, JULY 31 (4:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

5:00 - 6:30 PM	**Whippoorwill Wood**
7:00 - 9:30 PM	**Cryin' Out Loud**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1 (10:00 AM - 9:00 PM)

12:00 - 1:00 PM	**Snarky Sisterz**
1:30 - 3:00 PM	**Rockin' Ron & The New Society**
4:00 - 6:00 PM	**JAM Company**
7:00 - 9:00 PM	**On the Rocks**

BIG FIREWORKS SATURDAY AT 9 PM!

FOOD VENDORS

FRIDAY NIGHT:

- Tracey's Seafood
- Hearth & Soul Pizza

SATURDAY ALL-DAY:

- Downeast Mexican
- Sweet Retreat
- Flanders Bay BBQ
- Sullivan Fireman's Grill
- Waffle Me
- Tracey's Seafood
- Wing Dings

Saturday Demonstrations

(partial list)

John Daley:
Taunton Bay mining history & sunken artifacts.

Aquaculture Research Center:
Interactive touch tank with ocean creatures.

Taunton Bay Stone:
Granite cutting demonstrations with Gib Buell.

Handspinners:
Watch raw sheep fleece spun directly into yarn.

Watercolor Painting:
Community workshop with artist Nadine Murphy.

Barn Quilting with Bobbie Masse:
Learn about Americana art & High Peaks Trail.

Maine Lobstermen's Assn:
Honoring traditional Downeast maritime heritage.

CRAFTS & MAKERS

- Abby's Bee Kind Designs
- Black Cat Pawttery
- Capt. Sullivan Skin Care
- Downeast 3-D
- Downeast Resins
- Keiras Creations
- Peeka Penguin Books
- Sugar Rush Maine
- Timeless Blooms

(partial list)

Thank you for supporting local heritage and art. See you at the park!

June 1st 2026

Title 30 A

- Annual meeting must be accessible to all Sullivan voters.
- A moderator is elected and enforces all laws and policies for the one meeting.
- Maine state law a constable is appointed By the moderator to enforce meeting order

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- Recreation Center is private organization not controlled by Sullivan Selectman.
- Town of Sullivan cannot sponsor candidate forums
- Request of sponsors for candidate forum denied though no reason given when sponsors provided moderator and constable.

Selectman - Clerk

- If Selectman and clerk have no control over Sullivan Sorrento recreation center, how can the Clerk and Selectman comply with title 30A Annual meeting Article 2 + 3? + (21 A voting)

The Sullivan and Sorrento recreation board can trespass any Sullivan voter from the premises denying participation in Sullivan Town Government.

Can S+S Rec Provide a statement to not be involved in Sullivan Title 30A annual compliance when the current Board made a public Statement June 1 2026 that the Recreation Center does not condone Sullivan Public Participation on public forums. Since 1959?

This board is controling down compliancy making annual meeting @ the center to violate proper meeting requirements accessible to all voters in a location accessible to all voters title 21 A.