



October 2017 Gouldsboro Newsletter

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SELECTMEN/TOWN MANAGER: Road paving projects scheduled for the fall will begin within a few weeks. Roads to be paved include Lighthouse Point Rd, Mill Pond Rd. and Young's Farm Rd. Other ongoing road projects including patching, brushing and culvert replacement are also ongoing. Our Gouldsboro Town Park project at the corner of Main St. and Pond Rd. continues to make good progress. As you may have noticed, our pavilion is in the middle of construction and we hope to have landscaping and signage also completed sometime this fall. We were also very pleased to be awarded \$2,500 from the Schoodic Community Fund towards the park development and an additional \$100 from Bar Harbor Bank & Trust. Town Manager, Bryan Kaenrath, will hold open office hours on Thursday, October 26th from 3-5pm for any resident wishing to discuss their thoughts or concerns about town government. All are welcome!

At the September 7th Board of Selectman's meeting, the Select Board voted unanimously in support of the RSU 24 Board's unanimous decision to ask voters this November to support a bond measure that will allow purchase of the new RSU central administration building on Route 1 in Sullivan. The Maine Municipal Bond Bank estimates that the towns in the RSU stand to save approximately \$665,000 over fifteen years by purchasing the building through bonding instead of the current arrangement which is an annual lease payable to the builder. The Gouldsboro Select Board urges all voters to help keep down property taxes by supporting the purchase.

TOWN CLERK: The Town Office will be closed on Wednesday, October 4th. The employees will be attending the Maine Municipal Association Convention in Augusta. The Town Office will also be closed Monday, October 9th for Columbus Day. Dog licensing will begin on October the 16th. ****REMINDER**** There will be a rabies clinic in November, watch for the date in next month's newsletter and on the informational board in front of the town office.

*** First payment of property taxes due October 31st ***

GOULDSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Monday, October 2nd at 7 PM in the G.H.S Headquarters, we will be holding a program called **Tucker Mountain Log Homes** presented by Cliff and John Albee. All are welcome, refreshments will be available following the program. For more information, call 963-7217.

SCHOODIC COMMUNITY FUND: The Schoodic Community Fund Board voted last month to make the following awards in 2017: 1) \$1,300 to the Winter Harbor Public Library to help make historical information about the Town available to the public; 2) \$3,300 to Dorcas Library for new computers and technology infrastructure; 3) \$7,000 to the Peninsula School to complete a three-year grant program that supplies all K-2 students with iPads; 4) \$1,050 to the Peninsula School's Principal's Discretionary Fund to help meet particular needs of students; 5) \$2,500 to the Peninsula School Parents-Teachers committee for a weekend food backpack program to ensure food security; 6) \$2,674 to the Schoodic Institute for two water bottle filling stations on the campus; 7) \$1,500 to Maine Coast Memorial Hospital for prescription drug assistance to low income Schoodic residents; 8) \$2,500 to the Town of Gouldsboro to help build a new town park; 9) \$2,000 to Schoodic Arts for All to assist its community programming; 10) \$1,450 to the Gouldsboro Historical Society to help preserve its rare maps collection; 11) \$2,000 to Frenchman Bay Research Boating for staff support for on board research and education. Additionally, the Board authorized assistance to both towns' heating and power funds if funding is needed. In total, grants valued at over \$27,000 were made, an increase of \$7,000 over the total grants awarded in 2016.

VETERANS' COMMITTEE: The Gouldsboro Veterans Committee meeting will be held on October 3rd at 1pm in the Gouldsboro Town Office meeting room. Veterans, active duty, family and friends are invited to join us. Veterans Day planning will be discussed. Veterans who wish may join us walking in the Brewer-Bangor Veterans Day parade weather permitting. Transportation will be provided for those who wish to participate but cannot walk. The Veterans Day dinner will be held at 5pm at the Acadia Women's Club building in Prospect Harbor for veterans, active duty, and their guests. There will be no Veterans Day program. Volunteers and pie bakers are needed to produce the Veterans Day dinner.

FRENCHMAN BAY CONSERVANCY EVENTS: **September 29 & October 1 Tree Identification Hike.** This year, in celebration of Great Maine Outdoor Weekend, Frenchman Bay Conservancy and Lamoine Conservation Commission invite you to take a self-guided tree identification hike at Simon Trail in Lamoine! Trees are numbered along the trail and simple tree identification guide/worksheets will be available at the trail head mailbox to guide you in tree identification as you hike. Geared towards ALL ages! A great opportunity to learn your trees or brush up on your botanical knowledge! The tree identification hike will be available any time on Saturday, September 30 and Sunday, October 1 during daylight hours. Contact eileen@frenchmanbay.org or call 207-422-2328 with questions or visit www.frenchmanbay.org for more information. **October 1 Cider Pressing & Historical Tour at the Jordan Homestead Property (Rain date: October 15)** Join us at the Jordan Homestead off of Bayside Road in Ellsworth at 1:00 pm for a tour of the property. Todd Little-Siebold will discuss the history of agriculture in the area and commerce along the Union River. Enjoy apple cider straight from the press and doughnuts! FBC is raising funds to purchase the Jordan Homestead – an incredible opportunity to build trails to the Union River and Birdsacre and conserve a beautiful, undeveloped parcel right in Ellsworth! More information at frenchmanbay.org

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE: Clam Cam presentation presented by Associate Professor Bridie McGreavy and students. Gouldsboro Shellfish meeting will be held October 10th – 6PM at the Community Center. The public is welcome, see website for more information. <http://www.gouldsborotown.com/shellfish.html>

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DORCAS LIBRARY: Saturday, October 7th, 8-1pm we will be holding - Attic Treasures, Craft & Bake Sale. Monday, October 9th- Columbus Day - The library will be closed. Tuesday, October 31st @ 4-7pm – Halloween! Stop by for goodies, free books, and more at the library! Every Thursday at 2PM we are calling all crafters. We will finish up items for Attic Treasures craft sale and begin working on mittens and hats for donation. For more events info, contact the Dorcas Library at 963-4027.

SCHOODIC ARTS FOR ALL: On Sunday, October 8th, 4–7pm, at Hammond Hall, Winter Harbor, the Schoodic Summer Chorus will hold its annual Harvest Festival fundraiser.

Thursday, October 19th, Museum trip to Abbe Museum in Bar Harbor and Wendell Gilley Museum in Southwest Harbor. To register, call 963-2569. October coffee house Friday, October 27th at 7pm. A Winter Harbor Solstice Revelry, join us for rehearsals, Mondays, October 2nd – December 4th from 6:00-7:30pm at Hammond Hall. Sheep Island Rovers Contra Dance, Saturday, October 14th at 7:30 pm at Hammond Hall. Stanley Family Art Exhibit- October 1st-30th. Reception will be Saturday, October 7th at 3:00-5:00pm at Hammond Hall.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: New Building Permits Issued – August 22, 2017 to September 21, 2017

NEW BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED – SEPTEMBER 2017		
NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE
Travis Stanley	987 West Bay Road	Future Farm Roads
Thomas Allan	526 Route 1	Demo
Charles & Paula Colwell	103 Corea Road	Demo
Mark Berry	76 Bobcat	6 x 16 Woodshed
Michael Bernier	9 Rice Road	24 x 36 Garage
Allen & Pat Boggs	56 Roaring Brook Road	Deck
Danny Mitchell Jr.	15 Mossy Oak Road	Ground Prep
Beverly Wilkinson	45 Willie Hammond Road	12 x 16 Shed
Reino Liimatainen	203 Paul Bunyan Road	28 x 28 Garage
James Grubb	599 Gouldsboro Point Road	Fill for Driveway
Gail Allen	54 Valente Road	Demo
Harmonie Bassette	293 Paul Bunyan Road	Porch
John & Hazel Ward	86 Peninsula Road	Lean To
Cara Biasucci	39 Mill Pond Road	8 x 5 ½ Shed
Daniel Rodgers	34 Francis Pound Road	18 x 33 Refrigerated Bait Shack
Roxanne Malloy	317 East Schoodic Drive	10 x 12 Replacement Shed

HARDY'S FRIENDS: Thank you to all of the generous donors and shoppers who made this year's yard sale our most successful ever. And special thanks to the volunteers who worked tirelessly to unpack, organize, display, and clean up. We truly could not have done this without you. "Prepare for Winter" raffle tickets will be available until November 10. Prizes include heating oil, propane, cord wood, EBS gift card and a check to your power supplier. Call Glenn at 266-9699 or Susan at 963-7444.

RSU 24 SCHOOL BOARD: Greetings from RSU #24. The school year is off and running and we are excited to have students back in our buildings. The Peninsula school started the year with 123 Gouldsboro students in grades pre-K to 8. Alexandra Phillips has joined the Peninsula staff, working as the K-8 Special Education teacher. In addition, Cindy Giberson has been hired as an educational technician. There are 58 Gouldsboro students attending Sumner Memorial High School. If you haven't heard already, Sumner Memorial High School has been placed on the state list of approved building projects. As a result, we are in the beginning stages of the building process, trying to determine if the current Sumner site is suitable and of the appropriate size to build a new building. We are excited about this wonderful opportunity! If you have any questions about the new building or anything that is related to RSU #24, please don't hesitate to contact Michael Eastman at superintendent@rsu24.org.

Allison Johnson, RSU Representative- I have had people ask me how to get involved with school issues at the board level. I know that attending board meetings can often feel intimidating –(believe me, I felt this way prior to becoming a board member). It might be helpful to know a bit about how things work. There are nine board members representing the towns in RSU 24. Roy Gott, of Franklin, is the board chair and runs the regular meetings. There are subcommittees where most of the discussions happen. These are the meetings where there is much more room for questions and input. Recommendations are made at the committee level and then brought before the full board for consideration. Most board members sit on several committees and, thus, attend multiple meetings each month. The committees are: Educational, Programming, Facilities and Transportation, Finance and Budget, Personnel and Policy. All of the minutes and agendas are posted on the website as they are approved. To get an item on an agenda, you need to contact the committee or board chair. But you can always attend committee meetings and be part of the discussion. We have a few constituents who regularly attend and our deliberations are richer for their input. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. ajohnson@rsu24.org, 963-4147 or 460-6828.

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

October 3 rd	Veterans Committee	1 – 3 PM
October 3 rd	Planning Board	6 PM
October 3 rd , 10 th , 17 th , 24 th	Pottery Wheel for ages 16+, Schoodic Arts For All Combs Studio, \$90	6 – 8 PM
October 4 th	*Town Office Closed*	ALL DAY
October 5 th	Board of Selectmen	5 PM
October 7 th & 8 th	Woodturning Open Session, 32 Main St. Prospect Harbor, \$63	1 – 5 PM
October 9 th	*Town Office Closed*	ALL DAY
October 10 th	Shellfish Meeting at the Community Center	6 PM
October 17 th	Planning Board	6 PM
October 18 th	Harbor Committee	6 PM
October 19 th	Board of Selectmen	5 PM