



TOWN CLERK- The Town Office will be closed Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day!

- Tax bills were sent out August 27th so you will be receiving yours in the mail very soon. The mill rate this year is 14.4 – a small increase from 13.92 last year. The first payment is due October 31, 2024. Interest begins November 1, 2024 as voted on at our annual town meeting.
- *There will be a Planning Board public hearing held on September 17, 2024 starting at 6PM at the Town Office to discuss the Land Use Ordinance LD2003 amendments.*
- The Town Office will be Closed October 2nd for staff to attend the Maine Municipal Association Convention for training.
- Want to receive an email reminder when your vehicle registration is due? Please give us a call or email bmitchell@gouldsborotown.com to set this up as we are moving away from sending post cards.
- Check out our Facebook page to stay up to date with any town reminders, links to online services we offer, and much more! <https://www.facebook.com/gouldsborotown/>.

MOORING PERMITS- *ALL* mooring fees were due by July 1st and needed to be paid by August 30th without penalty. Starting September 1st, a late fee of \$25 will now be added to all outstanding mooring permits. Please come into the Town Office to pay for your permits!

DORCAS LIBRARY- Summer has been busy at the library. Lots of children have participated in the Books Bingo for the chance to win a free book. Children have also had a great time listening to a story read by Liz and then making a craft that goes along with the story. Story hour resumes in September. Dorcas Library will be closed Monday, September 2nd in honor of Labor Day. The library will hold its annual meeting on September 25th at 4PM at the library. Any card-carrying member in good standing is welcome to attend and is eligible to vote for new board members. There are three positions open. As always, we have lots of new bestsellers. The Writers with Merry Post meet Thursday, September 5th at 1PM. Story Hour with Liz is Thursday, September 5th at 10:15AM. Knitting and Needlework with Cyndi is Monday, September 9th and 23rd at 2PM. Qigong on the lawn or inside the library takes place every Monday from 9 – 10AM.

GOULDSBORO POLICE DEPT- School has officially started and tourists are starting to go back home! Please remember to stop for the school bus red flashing lights. This is to ensure the safety of the students to get to school safely. The 15 mph warning lights on Main Street will be activated in the mornings and when school is out in the afternoon. Please be mindful when entering the school zone during these times for the safety of our children!

SCHOODIC FOOD PANTRY- We have had requests for blankets, sheets, towels and throws for children. If you would like to donate any of these items, either new or gently used and clean, you may drop them off at the food pantry any Tuesday or Friday morning between 8:30 and 11AM, or call Susan at (207) 963-7444 for pick up. The parents and children who come to the pantry would also be happy to find school supplies on our donation table. Every week community members show up at the pantry with eggs, fresh vegetables, paper products and canned or boxed food. We are so grateful for all of these donations and the ongoing financial generosity of this community. Thank you all!

WEST GOULDSBORO VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION- The West Gouldsboro Village Improvement Association is pleased to announce... GORDON THOMAS WARD in concert Sunday, September 29, 2024 from 2PM – 3:30PM at the West Gouldsboro Union Church, located on Route 186 in the Village of West Gouldsboro. Tickets are \$20 per person. Concert proceeds will be dedicated to the maintenance and upkeep of the Village Church and Library; both buildings are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and are under the care of the West Gouldsboro VIA, a non-profit organization. All are welcome to come and enjoy this benefit concert by Gordon Thomas Ward.

ACWC- The Acadian Community Woman’s Club is holding their **LAST** fundraiser bake sale of the summer season on Saturday, September 7th, in the parking lot of the Winter Harbor Provisions, from **8AM UNTIL ALL THE GOODIES SELL OUT!** There will be an assortment of sweet and savory selections—whole pies, cakes, bread and much more! Proceeds from the sale will benefit the club’s scholarship fund. In 2024, the club is awarding individual \$1,000 scholarships to five students pursuing post-secondary education opportunities. Thank you for your support!

CODE ENFORCEMENT- <i>New building permits issued</i>		
NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE
Michael Delescluse	1164 Route One	Demo
Robert Kelleter	47 Clinic Road	Demo
Sabrina Vickers	68 Lighthouse Point Road	Shoreland Stabilization/Culvert
Tom & Jennifer Lloyd	385 West Bay Road	New Construction
Michael Moran	794 West Bay Road	Addition/Renovation
Steven Cohen	5 White Tail Lane	Addition
David Allen	19 Lois Lane	New Construction

RSU 24- It is hard to believe that the 2024 – 2025 school year is upon us. School will start at each of our PK-5 buildings on Thursday, August 29th. We will also welcome our sixth graders and ninth grades to Sumner on the 29th to allow those grade levels to get accustomed to their new environments. The remainder of the middle and high school will begin on Friday the 30th. There will be no early release on that first Friday. If you have a child that isn't yet enrolled in your local school, please make sure that you reach out to the main office at that school to complete registration. For students returning, parents should have received an email/text with a link to fill out the annual paperwork. If you have not yet received that link, please contact your child's school. We still have open positions in the district! There are several teaching positions, ed tech positions, and support staff still available. If you are interested, you can access the "Employment" link on our website, www.rsu24.org. The school year for our employees begins on August 26th but positions will remain open until filled. We have a number of new faces in the district for the upcoming school year. Of note, we have two new principals in the district. Ms. Amy Watson has taken over the reins of Sumner Memorial High School and Mr. Devin Young is now the principal at Sumner Middle School. A reminder that our buses will start rolling on August 29th! Your vigilance in making sure that you are mindful of those blinking red lights on our buses is greatly appreciated. I'm looking forward to welcoming students back into our buildings and am excited to see the school year unfold. As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to me (meastman@rsu24.org) with any questions and concerns. I appreciate your continued support of our schools.

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 2 nd	MONDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY*	ALL DAY
SEPTEMBER 2 nd	MONDAY	COASTAL RESILIENCE @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
SEPTEMBER 3 rd	TUESDAY	VETS COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	1PM 6PM
SEPTEMBER 11 th	WEDNESDAY	SHELLFISH COMMITTEE @ STATION 3	6PM
SEPTEMBER 12 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
SEPTEMBER 17 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE Land Use Ordinance LD2003 amendments public hearing	6PM
SEPTEMBER 26 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
OCTOBER 2 nd	WEDNESDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TO ALLOW STAFF TO ATTEND THE MMA CONVENTION FOR TRAINING*	ALL DAY

Our Town Office hours are Mon +Wed 8AM – 4PM, Tues 8AM – 5PM, Thurs 8AM – 6PM and Friday 8AM – 1PM.