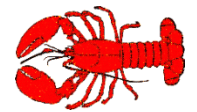


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# Gouldsboro News



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**TOWN CLERK**- The Town Office will be closed on November 11<sup>th</sup> in observance to Veterans' Day. We will also be closed November 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> in observance of Thanksgiving!

The Comprehensive Plan Committee will be meeting December 2, 2024 starting at 6PM at the Town Office. There will be a workshop held with the Comp Plan Committee and the Select Board on December 19, 2024 starting at 5PM at the Town Office to discuss the Comprehensive Plan. All are welcome to attend!

2025 Dog Tags are available, please be patient with us for the new state mandate dog licensing program. Please be sure to bring the current rabies certificate, as this is now required for all registrations. Per Maine State Law, all dogs 6 months and older **MUST** be licensed each year by December 31<sup>st</sup>. A \$25 late fee for each dog unregistered will start February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The cost is \$6 for neutered/spayed and \$11 for unaltered dogs. You can register online at [https://apps1.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/dog\\_license/index.pl](https://apps1.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/dog_license/index.pl) or in person here at the office.

First half of property taxes were due October 31<sup>st</sup>. Keep in mind that interest starts accruing November 1<sup>st</sup>. Please call for an updated amount if you have not paid this yet and include a phone number with your payment so we can attach it to your account. We offer a service if you would like to pay online at <https://epayment.informe.org/payportonline/disclaimer/1502>. If you're sending a check, please make sure it's payable to the Town of Gouldsboro. If you pay with a credit card over the phone, in the Town Office or online, there is a 2.5% charge fee for anything over \$40. This fee goes directly to the state.

**ELECTIONS**- The State of Maine General and Referendum Election will be held on **November 5, 2024**. Need to register to vote? The Registrar will be available at the polls. Polls will be open from 8AM-8PM at the Gouldsboro Rec Center, 679 Pond Road in Gouldsboro.

**MOORING PERMITS**- *ALL* mooring fees were due by July 1<sup>st</sup> and needed to be paid by August 30<sup>th</sup> without penalty. As of September 1<sup>st</sup>, a late fee of \$25 has been added to all outstanding mooring permits. Please come into the Town Office to pay for your permits if you haven't paid.

**DORCAS LIBRARY**- The library will be closed Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> for Veterans' Day and November, 28<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving. Children's story hour with Liz will be held Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:15AM. Homeschoolers are welcome! The Writers with Merry Post meet Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 2PM. Knitting and Needlework with Cyndi is Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at 2PM. Qigong on the lawn or inside the library takes place every Monday from 9AM – 10AM. New Group: Quilters will meet the second Wednesday of every month starting November 13<sup>th</sup> from 9AM – 4PM across the street in the Plus building. Bring a brown bag lunch. We have lots of new books and DVDs. Check our website for titles.

**SCHOODIC FOOD PANTRY**- Thanksgiving is fast approaching, we are preparing to support the families who rely on the pantry to supplement what they can afford to buy for the holidays. You can help us stock up on turkeys, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, green bean casserole makings, gravy and the other favorites that make the Thanksgiving meal a special one. Drop your donations off at the pantry between 8:30AM to 11AM any Tuesday & Friday, or at the Transfer Station during open hours on Friday (12PM – 4PM) or Sunday (10AM – 4PM). As the temperature drops, requests for warm clothing in all sizes and blankets increase. We make these available on tables in front of the pantry on good days. Many thanks to the members of the Acadian Community Woman's Club who answered our request for blankets in October so generously.



**VETERANS' COMMITTEE**- The Gouldsboro Veterans' Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 1PM in the town office meeting room. We will be finalizing plans for the Veteran's dinner being held on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at the Prospect Harbor United Methodist Church at 5PM. All Schoodic Peninsula veterans are invited to attend this annual dinner. We are asking for help with serving the dinner as well as desserts from the community. Please contact (207) 963-7533 if you would like to help. The committee and Anderson Hardware and Marine will again be sponsoring the Veteran Angel Tree. If you know of a veteran who could use a \$25 gift certificate or a special gift of that value, please submit their name and needed gift by November 27<sup>th</sup> to the committee. The envelope for names is at the town office and Anderson Hardware. The names will be on the tree by December 2<sup>nd</sup> for the community to come and pick a name and purchase the gift and return it to Anderson Hardware by December 18<sup>th</sup>. Many local veterans have been very grateful for being remembered at this time of year. The Gouldsboro Veteran Memorial bricks applications are still available until the end of December. It is \$75 a brick to honor or memorialize a veteran. The bricks will be placed in spring of 2025. The application and money are payable at the Gouldsboro Town Office. The peninsula has lost two veterans in the last several weeks. We recognize Robert Bostinto, US Navy and Reginald Knowles, US Army, both from Winter Harbor. We salute you for your service to our country. We offer our condolences to their families and friends.

<b>CODE ENFORCEMENT- <i>New building permits issued</i></b>		
<b>NAME</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>PROJECT TYPE</b>
Seaside Partners	44 Corea Road	Residence
Kevin French	65 Moyer Way	Residence
Joshua Sarnar	138 Main Street	Addition
Richmond Hawkins	175 Paul Bunyan Road	Addition/Deck
Peter McKenzie	Rice Road	Shed

**RSU 24**- With great excitement, we were able to have our first ever soccer game on the field at Sumner! Our girls' soccer team was victorious in the inaugural game!!! Congratulations to the girls! Our boys' soccer team has also played on the field and will actually have had two games on the field before the season is over. Whether the score board, bleachers, setting/lining the field, a huge thank you to the many individuals who made this possible. At the end of each school year, each building and the Leadership Team take time to recognize an employee with the Blue Apple Award. The Blue Apple is awarded each school year to someone who has made the learning environment a better place, lifted people up, made our students' experience more positive and made the community proud. I am pleased to pass along the recipients of the Blue Apple award for the 2023-2024 school year: Cave Hill - Christine Carber, Ella Lewis - Sarah Hurlbert, Mountain View - Jackie Wycoff, Peninsula School - Rosalie Mitchell, Sumner Middle School - Jenn Hunt, Sumner Memorial High School - Inez Weaver, Leadership Team - Shelly Schildroth. If you know/run into one of the individuals above, please congratulate him/her on this honor! We are in the beginning stages of modifying the emergency protocols in our buildings to align with the ALICE program approach. ALICE is a safety program that will prepare our staff and students how to react to an attack at one of our schools. Unfortunately, we are in a time when we need to be as prepared as possible for every possible scenario in order to protect our students and staff. Parents should expect communication from their child's school when we are ready for the next step in implementation.

**CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR NOVEMBER**

NOVEMBER 5 <sup>th</sup>	TUESDAY	VETS COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE	1PM
NOVEMBER 7 <sup>th</sup>	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
NOVEMBER 11 <sup>th</sup>	MONDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS' DAY*	ALL DAY
NOVEMBER 13 <sup>th</sup>	WEDNESDAY	SHELLFISH COMMITTEE @ STATION 3	6PM
NOVEMBER 19 <sup>th</sup>	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
NOVEMBER 21 <sup>st</sup>	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
NOVEMBER 28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>	THURSDAY & FRIDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN ONSERVANCE OF THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY*	ALL DAY
DECEMBER 2 <sup>nd</sup>	MONDAY	COMP PLAN COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
DECEMBER 5 <sup>th</sup>	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM

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