



TOWN CLERK- The Town Office will be closed February 17th in observance of Presidents' Day.

♥ The budget season will kick off starting at the regularly - scheduled Select Board meeting on February 27, 2025. Following budget meetings will also be held at regularly - scheduled Select Board meetings held March 13th, March 27th, April 10th, April 24th, with a final meeting held on May 8th.

♥ All dogs that have not been registered by January 31st will be subject to a state mandated late fee starting February 1st of \$25 each dog with the normal licensing fee of \$6, if spayed / neutered, or \$11 if unaltered. If your dog has passed away, please call us and let us know so we can update our records. Due to changes by the State of Maine, we now are required to use a new online dog database to register your dogs and we ask that you provide your dog's current rabies vaccine certificate when you register your dogs, even if we have the current rabies information in our system. Another option, your vet's office can fax a copy to us at (207) 963-2986.

♥ ***REMINDER*** Trailers that weigh over 2,000 pounds have an expiration of February. Be sure to check your trailer registration(s)!

♥ Want to receive an email reminder when your vehicle registration is due? Please give us a call or email mmerchant@gouldsborotown.com to set this up as we no longer send reminder post cards.

♥ Please be mindful, trash will not be picked up without trash tags affixed. Please make sure your trash is as close to the road as possible despite weather conditions.

♥ With income tax filing around the corner, you might need to know the excise tax paid on your vehicles. On the right-hand side of the registration, you will notice a column that states "excise tax" and will provide you the dollar amount paid.

♥ Just a friendly reminder 2025 documented boat stickers are available!

♥ We recently contracted with the National Park Service to start selling Annual Acadia Park passes year-round. The two passes we have available for purchase are the Annual passes for \$70, good for one year date of purchase, and the 7-day pass for \$35. Please keep in mind we do not have senior park passes or military passes. If you are looking to obtain one of those, you may visit <https://www.nps.gov/acad/planyourvisit/fees.htm> to see locations these are sold at.

♥ We have continued our Animal Control contract through Hancock County for 2025. If you have any Animal Control needs, please contact the Town Office at (207) 963-5589 and we will direct your message to the ACO. During non-business Town Office hours please call Hancock County RCC at (207) 667-8866 to handle these needs.

♥ 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/>.

DORCAS LIBRARY- The library will be closed Monday, February 17th in honor of Presidents' Day. This month we are holding a Valentine's Day Raffle. We have two wonderful baskets, one with a Valentine's lap quilt, the other with a \$75 gift certificate to the Mosquito Harbor Brewing Co., among other goodies. Stop by to purchase a ticket or more for your Valentine's Day sweetheart. \$5/ticket or 5 for \$20. Drawing will be Thursday, February 13th at the library. Children's Story Hour with Liz will be held Thursday, February 13th and 27th at 10:15AM. The Writers Group meets Thursday, February 6th at 1PM. Knitting and Needlework with Cyndi is Thursday, February 6th and 20th at 2PM. Qigong at the Dorcas+ building takes place every Monday from 9 – 10AM. Quilting & Sewing meets there every second Wednesday. The next get-together is Wednesday February 12th from 9AM- 4PM. Stay for as long or as little as you want. Bring a brown bag lunch if you plan to stay the whole time.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TOWN INFRASTRUCTURE- Any permanent structure you are adding to your property requires a building permit. This includes but is not limited to garages, expansions, additions, sheds, and work within the shoreland.

CODE ENFORCEMENT- <i>New building permits issued</i>		
NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE
Mary Force	421 Grand Marsh Bay Road	Residence
Ed Weaver	147 Gouldsboro Point Road	Deck/Covered Porch
Dwight Thorsen	318 Route One	Shed
Richard Trombley	Joy Road	Driveway
Janet Braga	18 Main Street	Shoreline Stabilization
Patricia Milliken	791 West Bay Road	Garage
Dale Church for Kate McCloud	46 Cranberry Point Road	Elevation of Residence
Suncovia for Gordon Seal	89 Corea Road	Ground Solar Array

RSU 24- February vacation will take place during the week of February 17th, with students returning back to school on Monday, February 24th. The RSU No. 24 budget season is upon us. Our various departments and schools have submitted their initial budgets. Our business office will be working to make sure there is accuracy and transparency in an effort to put our Budget and Finance Committee in the best position to review the budget. We have set aside January 28th, February 11th and 25th, and March 11th and 25th as Budget Workshop dates. Each meeting will allow for review and questions of the various budgets needed to run the district. These meetings will be held at the District Services Facility starting at 6:30PM. Our meetings are open to the public and materials to be reviewed at any upcoming meeting are posted on the Business & Finance webpage, under the FY26 Budget Development link. Congratulations to Adam Lord, a teacher/coach from Sumner Memorial High School, who was selected the National Federation of State High School Associations State Cross Country Coach of the Year for the 2023-24 school year. The Maine Principals' Association just recently announced this award. We feel blessed to have Mr. Lord on our staff working with our student-athletes. We are in the beginning stages of developing a strategic plan for the district. Our hope is to distribute a survey to our various stakeholders (students, parents, staff, and community members) in the coming weeks. We are looking for your input to help inform our work that we do as a district. Be on the lookout for this survey in the near future! Thank you for your continued support of the school district. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. You can contact me at (207) 422-2017 or meastman@rsu24.org.

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY 4 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
FEBRUARY 10 th	MONDAY	COASTAL RESILIENCE @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
FEBRUARY 13 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
FEBRUARY 17 th	MONDAY	*TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENTS' DAY*	ALL DAY
FEBRUARY 18 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
FEBRUARY 27 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE *Budget season will kick off*	5PM

