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GOULDSBORO NEWS



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"If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else." - Booker T. Washington

HAPPY SUMMER 2023!

<u>SELECT BOARD / TOWN MANAGER</u>- Thank you Jim Guest and the Veteran's Committee for cleaning up the area around both of our "Welcome to Gouldsboro" signs on Route One. And thank you to Mike Pinkham for adding the new sign "Working Waterfront Community".

Thank you to all the residents of Gouldsboro who participated in our local elections and open town meeting.

Results of election for Select Board Member: Dana Rice* 210 unopposed

<u>Results of election for Planning Board Member</u>: Deborah Bisson 106, Steven (Shepsi) Eaton* 155, Deirdre McArdle* 136, Jed West 125.

The open meeting featured 35 articles. All passed except the article to establish a Fireworks Ordinance. The Harbor Ordinance was amended and the select board will hold a public hearing this summer to set mooring fees.

Thank you to all of our volunteer election workers: Martha Metzler, Thoma Watson, Vifvan Rea, Donna Harmon, Becky O'Keefe, Holly Duesenberry, Elizabeth Closson, Margaret Jones, Rosemary and Gary Levin, Becky Follette and Katharine Shoemaker. And, the dynamite duo – Moderator Cheryl Brackett and Election Leader Rachel Hudson.

We have a new public boat launch at Jones Pond. Special thanks to our Superintendent of Infrastructure for building the dock and making this happen! Also, the road to the recreation area has recently been graded. Please remember to carry out your trash and pick up after your pets. We would like to welcome Timothy Hollenback as our new caretaker for this public gem. The swim float is out and ready for fun!

<u>GOULDSBORO POLICE DEPT</u>- The official start of summer is here!! Let's hope that the rain decides to finally stop and we can all enjoy some sunshine! Stay safe and keep a lookout for bicycles and motorcycles. Arrive alive!!

TRASH TALK

Happy Summer! A couple of reminders:

Trash Pickup-Trash needs to be out by 7AM every Thursday. Please clean your trash cans! Nobody wants to reach in for a bag that is covered in maggots! Reminder: As stated on the Trash Sticker, total weight of trash per TAG is 40 LBS. You may use as many bags as you want in a given carrier, but the total weight must not exceed 40 lbs. Your trash bag or can needs to be VISIBLE to the trash truck driver. So please take it out of the storage shed on trash day and place it where it can be easily seen from the road. PERC is in bankruptcy and is no longer burning our trash for energy. So please be conscious of what you put out for trash pickup -- it is now all going into a landfill. We encourage you to reduce and reuse packaging whenever possible.

Transfer Station-Yearly stickers expired June 30, 2023. New stickers can be obtained at the Town Office for \$1.00. Punch cards do NOT expire. They are good for 5 trips for \$25, renewable as needed.

<u>HARDY'S FRIENDS</u>- We are sending a big "Thank You" to the amazing Peninsula School Bulldogs. We are so grateful for the 480 pounds of dog food you earned and donated to Hardy's Friends. We will distribute much of it through the Schoodic Food Pantry, and the rest will go to other families in our community who are having a difficult time feeding their dogs. Last month Hardy's Friends supplied over \$600 in cat and dog food to the pantry and helped families with over \$3,000 in veterinary assistance. If you would like to help, our address is PO Box 63, Prospect Harbor, ME 04669.

SCHOODIC FOOD PANTRY- We are so grateful for the tremendous Town support and funding for our pantry. We could not do what we do without the generosity of our community. We are anxious for you to see the pantry and invite you to our Open House on Saturday, July 29th, between 10AM and 12PM to enjoy coffee and pastry. There will be a food donation box and cash donations are welcome. You will find us at 829 Route One. At the same time, part of our team will be collecting donations at Winter Harbor Provisions. If you go there, you can still drop off your returnable bottles and cans in our outside bin. Special thanks this month to Harbor Market and Winter Harbor Provisions for their food donations and to The Pickled Wrinkle for their very successful detergent drive.

<u>GOULDSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY</u>- We will be holding a meeting and program Monday, July 10th at 7PM at the Prospect Harbor Woman's Club building (68 Main Street, Prospect Harbor). This will be about *A FISH FACTORY AT PROSPECT HARBOR – 150 YEARS* presented by Allen Workman, local author and historian. Admission by donation. FMI call Ken Kelly at 963-7217.

<u>VETERAN'S COMMITTEE</u>- The Gouldsboro Veteran's Committee wishes everyone a safe and happy 4th of July. We encourage families to enjoy the holiday and if possible, do something patriotic. The GVC will not meet on Tuesday, July 4th and we will have our next meeting on the 1st of August at 1300 at the town office. Did you know that if you are a Veteran, you can get a free walking stick from the Cole Transportation Museum? See https://www.colemuseum.org/veteran-programs/ for more information.

GOULDSBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT- Here are a few reminders for having a campfire this summer: Before having a campfire, be sure to check the weather. Always avoid burning on windy and dry days. Keep fires small as it is easier to control and attend them at all times. Never use gasoline or flammable liquids. Always have a hose, bucket of water, shovel and dirt or sand nearby to put the fire out. Please be sure before stepping away the fire is out cold with no burning center.

DORCAS LIBRARY- Join us Thursday, July 27th for our author talk with Robin Clifford Wood "The Field House" at 2PM on the lawn (weather permitting). Please bring a chair. The writers group meets July 11th at 1PM; the knitting group gathers July 13th at 2PM. Story Hour with Liz will be July 10th and July 24th at 10:15AM. Qigong on the lawn with Pat is every Monday morning at 9AM. We have a new free library outside the front door and offer a range of free books. Used books and DVDs are sold inside the library. Please do not donate piles of books, we are running out of space. Goodwill and Community Closet will take donations.

SCHOODIC PENINSULA BROADBAND COMMITTEE UPDATE- Did you Know? In 1896 a Telephone Office was set up at Bunker Business Block in Winter Harbor with only 12 subscribers. (pg 37-38 of A Summering Place by Allan Smallidge) Communication has evolved since that infrastructure 127 years ago. Today, the Schoodic Peninsula Broadband Committee seeks your input. We are close to sending out RFPs. We've connected with nearly 100 residents at community outreach events on 4/26, 5/21 and 6/13 where we provided updates on SPBC progress and heard from residents. Visit www.schoodicbroadband.org for recordings of the updates and notice of our next community outreach meeting TBD in July. SPBC meetings are open to the public and new volunteers are welcome to share their skills.

SEASIDE GRANGE ANNUAL RUMMAGE/BAKE SALE- Mark your calendars, this year's Rummage & Bake sale will be held on Saturday, July 15, 2023, from 9AM – Noon, at the Grange Hall, 64 Crowley Island Rd, in Corea. In addition to scrumptious baked goods, this year's sale includes lots of great furniture, household items, artwork, antiques, craft supplies, toys, puzzles, and plants, plus a clothing boutique and a Silent Auction of special treasures! Proceeds from the sale help to cover Grange expenses and a portion will be reserved to support local charities. Inquiries to seasidegrange@gmail.com.

CODE ENFORCEMENT- New building permits issued			
NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE	
Barton Sedgewick	Paul Bunyan Road	New Construction	
Robert Morris	55 Island View Drive	NRPA PBR	
Robert Swan	8 Jenny's Lane	Bathroom Addition	
Mike Marshall	57 South Gouldsboro Road	Deck	
John Scappatici	20 Blance Lane	Storage Shed	
Linda Reidy	410 Paul Bunyan Road	Dwelling	
Roger Clyne	518 Main Street	Yurt	
Bill DeSisto	50 Main Street	Addition / Garage	
Daniel Long	39 Summer Harbor Road	Driveway	

RSU 24- It is hard to believe that the school year has come to an end and that we are officially on our summer vacation! On behalf of the district, I pass along our thanks for passing the RSU #24 2023-2024 district budget. The vote passed 550-225, which includes all nine communities in our school district. We are fortunate to have such amazing support for our schools. With that said, I am very hopeful that the impact of inflation will level off as we enter into the next school year. For those planning ahead, our students will be welcomed back to school on Tuesday, August 29th. More information about next year will be distributed as we get into August. For those moving into the area or those still needing to register PK/K students, please contact your local school to check the summer hours in order to complete the registration. *I will end this update with a huge thank you to the RSU #24 staff. No matter the role being served in support of our students, each one of our staff members is important and is appreciated. We could not operate without the dedication demonstrated by this group. We are lucky to have each and every one!*

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR JULY

JULY 3 rd & 4 th	MONDAY &	**THE TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE	ALL
	TUESDAY	TO THE FOURTH OF JULY**	DAY
JULY 6 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
JULY 11th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
JULY 13 th	THURSDAY	COMP PLAN @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
JULY 18 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	
JULY 20th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM

<u>ACWC</u>- The Acadian Community Woman's Club is holding a fundraiser, a bake sale, on Saturday, July 1st in the parking lot of Winter Harbor Provisions from **8AM until ALL THE GOODIES ARE SOLD OUT!** There will be whole pies, cakes, breads and lots of other yummy selections. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the club's scholarship fund, we will be awarding six \$1000 scholarships in 2023 to students enrolled in a variety of educational pursuits. Thank you for supporting our efforts!