



SELECT BOARD / TOWN MANAGER- Got housing? Need two volunteers to administer a Facebook page for available, year-round rental housing or long-term winter housing in Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor. This page will NOT be associated with the Town Office. The Facebook page will include a disclaimer that it in no way endorses the quality of the rental housing nor the owner. People are welcome to post their available housing, including single room rentals. Persons seeking housing are welcome to list their housing needs as well. The volunteer administrators will screen the listings for clarity and appropriateness before posting. The housing crunch will be resolved in many ways and hopefully this is one solution. For more information, please call Jackie Weaver at (207) 546-0826. Thanks for your help.

The first half of property taxes were due October 31st. Voters approved interest beginning November 1st. Please call for an updated amount. You can now 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.

Schoodic Community Fund awarded \$750 to our Power Fund. This fund is fully sustained by donations and not tax dollars. SCF Endowment accepts donations and invests in with the Maine Community Foundation. The principal amount is never spent but instead invested and at the end of the year interest is available to award to local non-profits. If you would like more information about this amazing, generous and valuable fund, please refer to www.schoodiccommunityfund.org.

ELECTIONS- The State of Maine Referendum Election will be held on November 7th, 2023. Polls will be open from 8AM – 8PM at the Gouldsboro Rec Center located at 679 Pond Road, Gouldsboro Maine. If you are not yet a registered voter, the Registrar will be present all day for you to register. If you plan to register on election day, please bring a photo ID **and** proof of residence with you. Acceptable form of residency includes Maine Drivers License or Identification card, vehicle registration, utility bill, rent receipt or lease, receipt of public benefit, government or payroll check. All forms of residency **MUST** show their Gouldsboro address. If you have any questions,

call the Town Office at (207) 963-5589. There are four Citizen Initiative questions and four Constitutional Amendment questions. For more information regarding the referendums please visit: <https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/upcoming/index.html>

THANK YOU, CINDY LOWE, FOR COMING OUT OF THE DEPTHS AND HELPING US WITH ELECTIONS!

We have some exciting news to share!! Our 2023 annual town report has been awarded the Excellence Award by the Maine Municipal Board of Judges for the Annual Municipal Town and City Report Competition!

RABIES CLINIC- There will be a Rabies clinic November 15, 2023 from 3PM – 6PM at the Gouldsboro Town Office, 59 Main Street, Prospect Harbor. Dr. Brandi Smith with Go Vet Go will be administering rabies vaccinations to dogs and cats! Gouldsboro residents will also be able to register your dogs at this time. **\$10 each vaccine**. There is also an option for a feline specific rabies vaccine to reduce the risk of injection site sarcoma for \$16.

OPERATION LIGHT UP THE TOWN- Help celebrate Gouldsboro's second annual peninsula-wide "Operation Light Up the Town" and decorate your homesteads with holiday lights. Residents can stroll through town and enjoy the holiday spirit with their families and friends **December 23, 24 + 25**. Let's light up the town during the holidays!

A SALUTE TO VETERANS- The Peninsula School students would like to invite all local United States Veterans to the school on Wednesday, November 8th at 1:15PM. The students welcome the privilege to present a program to remember, honor and show appreciation for your dedicated service to our country.

RSU 24 REPRESENTATIVE- I would like to encourage our community members to attend the RSU 24 board meetings. They are the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM in the Sumner Auditorium. The agenda for each meeting is posted on the RSU 24 website prior to the meeting. If you have not been to the RSU 24 website, I would recommend checking it out. You can find information about the board members, agendas, previous meeting minutes, and more. – Mary Cowperthwaite

SCHOODIC PENINSULA BROADBAND- The Schoodic Peninsula Broadband Committee will begin reviewing responses to its Request for Proposals for the broadband expansion project at its November 1st meeting. Those interested in attending can find the agenda and meeting information on the SPBC website, schoodicbroadband.org. Reach out to the committee by email at schoodicpeninsulabroadband@gmail.com or by voice at (207) 565-3666.

GOULDSBORO VETERAN'S COMMITTEE- The annual Veterans Appreciation Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 11th at 5PM at the Prospect Harbor Women's Club building. All local veterans and their families are invited to attend this meal. The menu is fish chowder, spiral ham and desserts. The raffle winners will be drawn as well as many free door prizes for the attending veterans. We are asking for dessert donations as well as volunteers for the dinner from the community, call Roni at 963-2624. This committee along with Anderson's Hardware will again be doing the Veteran's Angel Tree. Your gift suggestions, up to a \$25 value, can be submitted to Anderson's or the Town Office beginning November 1st. Please fill out a card and place in the provided envelope. We will begin putting the gift tags on the tree at Anderson's by December 1st so you can select a gift for a local veteran. All purchased gifts need to be brought to Anderson's by December 18th. This was a great success last Christmas and was greatly appreciated by the receiving veterans. We are hoping to reach even more of our veterans this year.

DORCAS LIBRARY- The days are getting shorter but we are not slowing down at Dorcas Library. Our Holiday Craft Fair inside the library starts mid of November (we are happily accepting handcrafted donations). Join us for the following events: Thursday, November 2nd at 1PM, Sumner Senior Asa Berry will introduce the Maine Youth Wilderness Leadership Program. Story Hour with Liz will be at 10:15AM on November 2nd, 16th, and 30th. The Writers Group with Merry Post meets November 7th at 1PM. The new Spanish conversation club (any level) with Ada Fisher meets November 9th at 10:15AM. Herb & Plant Wisdom with Heather Siri Temple takes place on November 16th at 1:30PM. The Healing Support Group with Pat gets together November 9th. The Knitters meet on November 9th and 30th at 2PM. Qigong with Pat will be every Monday at 9AM. The library will be closed Saturday the 11th and the 25th.

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 1 st	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE *Site Plan Ordinance Public Hearing	6PM
NOVEMBER 8 th	WEDNESDAY	SHELLFISH COMMITTEE @ STATION #3	6PM
NOVEMBER 9 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
NOVEMBER 10 th	FRIDAY	TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERAN'S DAY	ALL DAY
NOVEMBER 14 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE *Amendments to Shoreland Ordinance Public Hearing	6PM
NOVEMBER 15 th	WEDNESDAY	SELECT BOARD + BUDGET COMMITTEE @ T.O.	5PM
NOVEMBER 21 st	TUESDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE *Please note date change due to Thanksgiving week	5PM
NOVEMBER 23 rd + 24 th	THURSDAY + FRIDAY	TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY	ALL DAY

RSU 24- The focus of the building project is coming to an agreement on the domestic water cistern project. The estimated cost of the project is still quite high (over \$600,000), we continue to have conversations with the Maine Department of Education, the architect, and the general contractor about how to proceed. For those looking for employment, we are hiring. If you go to the *Employment* tab on the rsu24.org website, you will find our latest openings and you can apply for the open positions. We have ten ed tech positions open, spread out across the Peninsula School, Mountain View, Sumner Middle School, and Sumner Memorial High School. These positions focus on supporting students to make sure they are successful on any given day. If you have any questions, please contact Christine Alvarado at calvarado@rsu24.org. A reminder that our schools will not be in session on Friday, November 10th in honor of Veterans Day. A huge thank you to those that are serving or have served our country. Your service and your sacrifice are greatly appreciated! In addition, school will not be in session during the week of November 20th as we will have professional development days and then break for Thanksgiving.

CODE ENFORCEMENT- <i>New building permits issued</i>		
NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE
Elvin Hirtle	725 Paul Bunyan Road	New Construction
Paul Shoemaker	378 West Bay Road	Conversion
Dwight Thorsen	318 Route One	Storage

Gouldsboro Needs You!

The Comprehensive Plan Committee is the
"Pulse of the People"



The Comprehensive Plan Committee needs your input. We are finalizing the chapters of Gouldsboro's updated Comprehensive Plan.

We will be submitting the plan to the state for approval soon!

Your input is vital for our future!

A copy of chapters as they are ready to view, will also be available for your perusal at the town office and at the Dorcas Library. A comment page will be included if you would like to leave us a comment.

Ways you can help:

1. Go to www.gouldsborotown.com to view chapters....keep checking back as more chapters will be added.
2. You may email gouldsborocompplan@gmail.com with questions/comments.
3. Message us on Facebook: Gouldsboro Comp Plan.

Come and visit us on **Saturday, November 4th** at the **Dorcas Library** **between 1pm - 2:30pm** to view chapters, learn how to access chapters on the town website or just have a casual conversation with members of the Comp Committee.

Refreshments will be served!

RABIES CLINIC!



Gouldsboro residents & surrounding towns!!

Dr. Brandi Smith with Go Vet Go will be administering rabies vaccines to dogs & cats.



For the feline
specific vaccine.
(This is optional)

November 15, 2023

3PM - 6PM

Gouldsboro Town Office

59 Main Street

Prospect Harbor, ME

If you are bringing a dog,
please leash them.

If you are bringing a cat,
please transport in a pet
carrier.

**You can also register
your dogs at this time!**

