



TOWN CLERK

- Tax bills will be sent out late August / early September. If you do not receive a bill by the end of September, please call the Town Office to request your bill. We only send out ONE tax bill that includes two coupons at the bottom of the bill. The first half payment is due October 31st, 2025 and the second half is due March 31st, 2026. You can make weekly or monthly payments as well. Please be aware, we are not required by the State of Maine to send tax bills. We do this service to help remind all Gouldsboro property owners! We also offer an online service to pay your tax bills online at <https://epayment.informeme.org/payportonline/mystore?ts-name=1502>. This will walk you through the steps and will then be applied to your tax account. Please keep in mind there is a 2.5% charge fee for debit / credit cards. This is the same fee that is charged when payments are made in person or over the phone with cards.
- Reminder, documented boat taxes are due. Reminder letters have been sent to those who have not registered yet. If you're unsure if you have paid this year, give us a call at (207) 963-5589 and we are happy to assist you.
- 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/>.

ELECTIONS- Nomination papers are available Monday July 28, 2025 for the Town Municipal Election must be returned to the Town Office by 1PM on Friday, September 5th, 2025. Positions to fill are: *one* Select Board seat (Term expires June 2026) and *one* Planning Board Seat (Term expires June 2027).

MOORING PERMITS- Please be aware, ALL mooring fees are due by July 1st and can be paid until August 29th by 1PM without penalty. Starting September 1st, a late fee of \$25 will be added to all outstanding fees.

GOULDSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY- *Join us for the Big Jim-Boree Art Auction!*

While our 40-foot Big Jim is getting his makeover this summer, we have recruited local artists to employ their unique vision and talents to re-imagine *Big Jim the Sardine Man* in a more manageable size. We hope to see these *Little Big Jim's* at homes and businesses throughout the Peninsula while the big guy is gone, so they will be auctioned off by the Gouldsboro Historical Society with all proceeds going toward Big Jim's future upkeep. These 16 *Little Big Jim's* will debut on August 9th in the Winter Harbor Lobster Festival Parade. Then come see them up close at the Prospect Harbor Women's Club and place your bids to win one (or more!) for the next two weekends: August 15th – 16th & August 22nd – 23rd, from 12 – 4PM. Bidding will close at 3PM on Saturday, August 23rd. While you wait, have you seen the life-size *Big Jim the Schoodic Arts Man* in Winter Harbor yet? He's next to the Schoodic Arts for All tent at the School House behind the 5 & 10. Stop by and take a photo with him, or *AS* him.

DORCAS LIBRARY- We are grateful to the people of Gouldsboro for their continued support of our local library. Thank you for approving our request for an increase. We will strive to meet the ongoing needs of the community. Stop by and visit us. Let us know what you'd like to see at your library! If you want a printed copy of the town newsletter, you can pick one up at the library. Congratulations to the children who have checked out so many books during our summer reading challenge. It's not too late to win a book! Children's Story Hour will be held Thursday, August 14th and 28th at 10:15AM. Knitting and Crocheting is Thursday, August 7th and 21st at 2PM. Writers Group is August 7th at 1PM. Qigong takes place every Monday from 9 – 10AM, behind the library. Quilting & Sewing will be Wednesday, August 13th & 14th for a rugmaking workshop, from 9 – 4PM. There will be a felting workshop Monday, August, 18th from 2 – 4PM. Call and see if there is any space left.

GOULDSBORO VETERANS' COMMITTEE- The Gouldsboro Veterans' Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, August 5th, 2025, at 1PM at the Town Office. We have raffle tickets for sale and the drawing date will be August 10th at the NSGA Reunion Picnic. There are tickets available at S & S Enterprises in Winter Harbor or from committee members. Please help us support our local veterans in need.

ACWC- The Acadian Community Woman’s Club is holding two fundraiser bake sales in August, the FIRST Saturday of the month, August 2nd and the LAST Saturday of the month, August 30th (Labor Day weekend) both events will be held 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 college and summer camp scholarship funds. For 2025, the club has awarded five \$1,000 scholarships to local students pursuing post-secondary education opportunities. Thank you for your support of these scholarships!

CODE ENFORCEMENT- All new sheds and out buildings **NEED** a town permit.

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NAME	ADDRESS	PROJECT TYPE
Aquashell	67 Shore Road	Demolition
Lisbeth & Alan Rosenfeld	834 Pond Road	Shed
Brian Gerrish	28 East Schoodic Drive	Greenhouse
Bottom Line Fisheries	39 Francis Pound Road	Shed
Linda Brunelle	327 Paul Bunyan Road	Shed
Jessica Lambert	204 South Gouldsboro Road	Shed/Open Run
Richard Gelchinsky	242 South Gouldsboro Road	Driveway
Susan & Joseph Hartz	582 Paul Bunyan Road	Residence
Brian & Kathryn Balteff	808 West Bay Road	Enclosed Porch
Peter Valencia	Old Route One	Driveway/Cabin + Cabin/Shed

RSU 24 - It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through the summer. Our Facilities and Maintenance Department is immersed in our yearly upkeep and maintenance in our facilities and on our buses. We have a large paving project underway at the Mountain View School which will address much needed traffic flow and parking issues. At the same school, we are in the final stages of a carpet to tile floor project which is overdue and will serve the school well into the future. For those parents looking ahead, school for our K-6 and our 9th grades will begin on Thursday, August 28th. This will allow our younger learners and our new freshmen class to get into the routines a little earlier than the others. All students will be expected to be in school on August 29th. Even though the first day (29th) for all students is a Friday, we will NOT have an early release on this first Friday of the school year. I am happy to report that we have filled 32 of our 42 open positions from the past couple of months. We do have a few positions open and if you are interested, please check our district website (rsu24.org) for the most up-to-date list of open positions. On July 3rd, we received word that the U.S. Department of Education has delayed release of Title II, III, IV, and V funds. Of those delayed grants, our district regularly receives and relies on Title II and IV grant funds. Specifically, Title IIA money is used for preparing, training, and recruiting high quality teachers and principals. Our allocation for last school year was \$63,621. In addition, Title IV money is used for increasing our district's capacity to provide students with access to a well-rounded education. We received \$48,130 from this grant last school year and had already received word that we would be receiving our money this year but that decision was reversed by the US Department of Education. The impact of this remains to be seen. We certainly hope that we will receive these funds and be able to proceed as planned. We will keep you updated as we learn more. For your information, the RSU Board of Directors decided to record their monthly meetings. This decision was made as the Board would like to be as transparent as possible and allow for the community to keep up with the work of the Board/district. The plan is to post the video on our Facebook page within a couple of days following the meeting. I appreciate your continued support of the school district. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at meastman@rsu24.org.

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR AUGUST

AUGUST 4 th	MONDAY	COASTAL RESILIENCE @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
AUGUST 5 th	TUESDAY	VETERANS' COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	1PM 6PM
AUGUST 14 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
AUGUST 19 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
AUGUST 28 th	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.

Pie Sale



Whole Pies, Cakes And Breads

Sat., July 5

Sat., August 2

Sat., August 30

8am- until all the goodies are gone

COME EARLY

Find us under the tent at the Winter Harbor Provisions

Proceeds benefit the Acadian Community

Woman's Club Scholarship Funds