



TOWN CLERK- Effective Monday, March 2, 2026; the Town Office has changed hours of operation we are open to the public. We close from 12:15PM – 1PM Mondays through Thursdays for lunch. In addition, we close at 5PM on Thursdays. The new schedule is as follows:

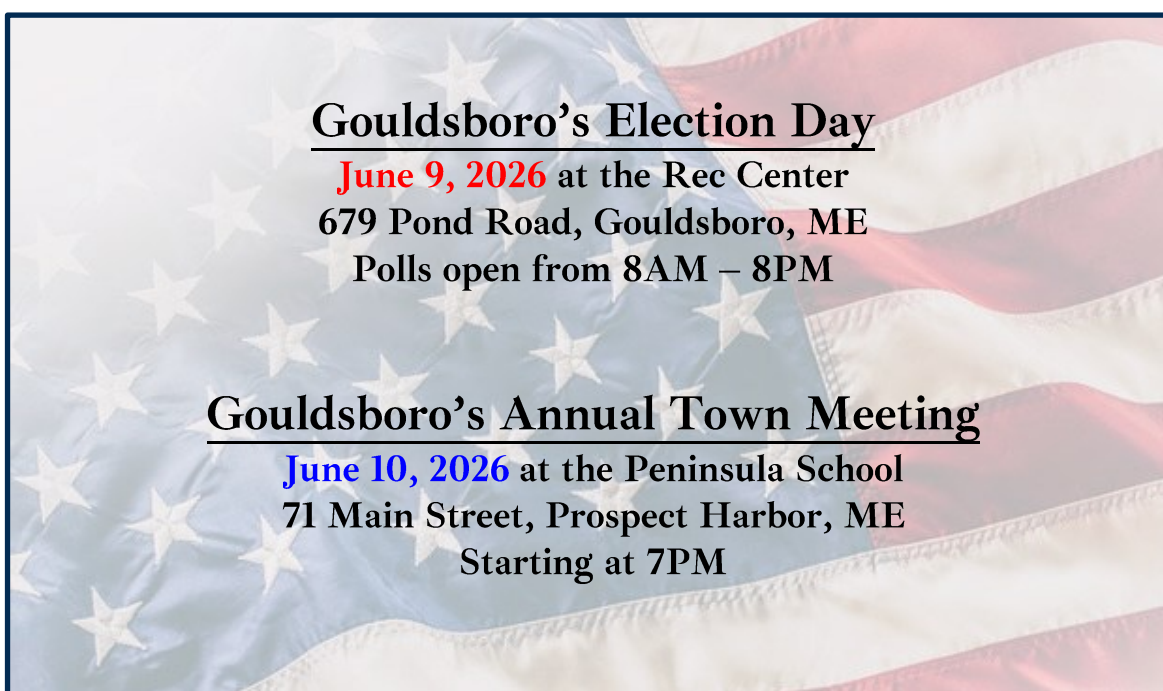
- **Monday** 8AM – 12:15PM reopen 1PM – 4PM
- **Tuesday** 8AM – 12:15PM reopen 1PM – 5PM
- **Wednesday** 8AM – 12:15PM reopen 1PM – 4PM
- **Thursday** 8AM – 12:15PM reopen 1PM – 5PM
- **Friday** 8AM – 1PM

🎓 The Town Office will be closed Friday June 19th in observance of Juneteenth.

🎓 Vehicle re-registrations may be completed online at <https://www1.maine.gov/online/bmv/rapid-renewal/>.

🎓 The current transfer station passes are good through June 30, 2026. New stickers for fiscal year 26/27 are available now. If you have punch cards with punches left to use, they do not expire. Passes cost \$1 and punch cards \$25. Both the pass and the punch card are *required* when attending the Transfer Station.

🎓 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/>.



Gouldsboro's Election Day
June 9, 2026 at the Rec Center
679 Pond Road, Gouldsboro, ME
Polls open from 8AM – 8PM

Gouldsboro's Annual Town Meeting
June 10, 2026 at the Peninsula School
71 Main Street, Prospect Harbor, ME
Starting at 7PM



GOULDSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT- The Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor Police Department are pleased to offer a new program called “The Sunshine Program”, a free outreach service to senior residents and individuals who live alone within our communities. 🌞 **The Sunshine Program** is a simple daily wellness check designed to ensure the safety and well-being of participating residents. The way the program works is a couple times a week, in the morning, a member of the Police Departments will attempt to place a brief telephone call to program participants. The purpose of the call is to simply confirm everything is okay. If we are unable to reach a participant during the initial call, a second call will be attempted. If we are still unable to make contact, an officer may be dispatched to the residence to ensure the individual is safe. This program is intended for senior residents, residents who live alone, and resident’s who may benefit from a daily check-in. Participation is completely voluntary and may be discontinued at any time at your request. Please see the attached information sheet and application for more information! We strive to continue to make sure our community and residents are safe!

GOULDSBORO VETERANS' COMMITTEE- We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Steve Wilkinson, US Army, Gouldsboro, who recently passed. We salute him for his service to our country and community. The Gouldsboro Veterans Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, June 2nd at 1:30PM in the town office meeting room. The committee is having our annual raffle, and this year prizes are; a Hand Made 72”x72” Quilt, a Large Room Portable Air Conditioner, a Unique Maine Themed Wine Basket, and a 62 qt Igloo Wheeled Cooler. Tickets will be available during the June Election at the Recreation Center and at other locations throughout the summer. The drawing is on August 9th.

VETERANS SOCIAL HOUR- The Coffee Hour for local veterans will be held on Tuesday, June 2nd at 6PM in the fellowship hall of the Prospect Harbor United Methodist Church. All veterans are welcome to attend this time of fellowship and camaraderie with fellow veterans. The VA has provided some valuable information packets, so stop by if you have questions or need help. Refreshments will be provided.

CALENDAR OF TOWN EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR JUNE

JUNE 1 st	MONDAY	COASTAL RESILIENCE @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
JUNE 2 nd	TUESDAY	VETERANS' COMMITTEE @ TOWN OFFICE	1:30PM
JUNE 2 nd	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
JUNE 4 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	5PM
JUNE 9th	TUESDAY	ANNUAL VOTING @ REC CENTER 679 Pond Road, Gouldsboro	8AM – 8PM
JUNE 10th	WEDNESDAY	ANNUAL TOWN MEETING @ PENINSULA SCHOOL 71 Main Street, Prospect Harbor	7PM
JUNE 11 th	THURSDAY	SHELLFISH COMMITTEE @ STATION 3	6PM
JUNE 15 th	MONDAY	FACILITIES ADVISORY BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	3:30PM
JUNE 16 th	TUESDAY	PLANNING BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE	6PM
JUNE 18 th	THURSDAY	SELECT BOARD @ TOWN OFFICE Special Town Meeting starts at 5PM	5PM
JUNE 19th	FRIDAY	TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF JUNETEENTH	ALL DAY

GOULDSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY- The Society's program June 1st will show how social media served the Abolitionists in pre-Civil War years to grow a movement of minority agitators in Maine to become the vanguard of a transformed national consensus against slavery. A key to the strength of their movement's growth was networking through the social media of their era in letter-writing correspondence, a process explored by Professor Freeman in a new book. The program at 7PM, June 1st at the Woman's Club in Prospect Harbor, is open to all.

SCHOODIC FOOD PANTRY- You are cordially invited to the Third Annual Schoodic Food Pantry's Chinese Auction to be held on Saturday, July 18th, 2026 from 8AM to 1PM at the Gouldsboro Recreation Center, 679 Pond Road, Gouldsboro. As in past years, the event will auction a plethora of donated goods, services, artwork, and gift certificates. There will be a 50/50 raffle and a delicious, decadent dessert bar with all of your favorites donated by Corea Catering and other supporters of the pantry. Last year, we raised over \$26,000 that went directly back into our community by stocking the shelves at the pantry. There are no income guidelines, and no one is ever turned away with the pantry donating to those in need hailing from towns ranging from Ellsworth to Machias - all out of the former, tiny D.O.T. office along Route One in Gouldsboro. Now, more than in past years, your donations are critical to help stock the shelves at the pantry. Families, individuals, veterans, children, and homeless in our community are hungry, and many do not know where their next meal is coming from. Last year, we served 450+ families. Today, we serve 680+ families with 5-10 new families arriving at our door each week. The escalation in food insecurity is due to a host of factors resulting from sky high food and fuel prices, high housing costs, as well as downward trends in seasonal employment in forestry, agriculture, and fishing - the economic mainstay of our area. Thank you in advance for your support! All donations are tax deductible.

PROSPECT HARBOR CEMETERY ASSOCIATION- The Prospect Harbor Cemetery Association is now accepting donations for 2026, and we invite you to be part of preserving this important community space. Your gift, no matter the size, helps care for the cemetery and ensures it remains a respectful, well-maintained place for families and future generations. Your donation will directly support routine mowing and grounds maintenance and essential operating costs. **To donate:** Please make your check payable to **Prospect Harbor Cemetery Association** and mail to: Prospect Harbor Cemetery Association, PO Box 123, Prospect Harbor, ME 04669. If you have questions, please call (207) 963-4111 or email prospectharborcemetery@gmail.com. Thank you for helping us care for this meaningful place.

DORCAS LIBRARY- Attic Treasures Saturday, June 6th and 13th from 10AM – 3PM, and on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays June 18th – July 4th, 10AM – 3PM. Lots of items, great prices! All proceeds benefit the library. You can still drop off items at the library. Mark your calendar for our Annual Tomato and Plant Sale: June 4th, 5th, 6th at 10AM. Heirloom varieties, perennials and more! Children's Story Hour will be held Thursday, June 4th and 18th at 10:15AM. Writers Group is Thursday, June 11th, at 1PM. Knitting and Crocheting is Thursday, June 4th and 18th, at 2PM. Qigong is every Monday at 9AM at the library. Summer Raffles Thanks to the generosity of donors, we have some great raffles going on through the summer: A beautiful "Host of Hearts" quilt is on display (tickets \$5/each or 3/\$10), a basket of Trader Joe goodies (tickets \$1/each or 12/\$10) and another of fine, local handicraft items (\$5/each or 3/\$10). The Quilting group will resume in August. Did you know Dorcas Library offers the Dorcas+ Building for meetings, gatherings, social events, and more? Email Diane Higgins to book an event at big6pi@roadrunner.com. Make sure you include "Dorcas+" in the subject line. You can drop off items for the Schoodic Food Pantry at the library. It is collected weekly.

RSU24- Well, the finish line for the 2025 – 2026 school year is in sight. Hard to believe that we will be releasing students for summer vacation in just a few weeks. The last official day of school is Monday, June 15th. We will end the day at Sumner at 11:30AM and students at the other schools will leave as soon as the buses are full and ready to go. If you have a child in any of our schools, you will hear directly from the principal in regards to end of year details. As I write this message, we still have the District Budget Meeting that will take place on Wednesday, May 27th, at Sumner starting at 6:30PM. If you reside in one of our nine communities, you will be able to vote on the proposed budget at this meeting. The final step in the process is the school budget referendum held on June 9th. The referendum vote takes

place in each of our communities at the designated voting station. The final budget information will be distributed to our communities after the District Budget Meeting and prior to the referendum and will be accessible on our website. For those planning ahead, Sumner Memorial High School class night is Tuesday, June 2nd and graduation is Thursday, June 4th. Sumner Middle School will hold its 8th grade promotion on June 8th. The Adult Education Graduation is June 9th and the Adult Education Certificate Ceremony is June 10th. I appreciate your continued support of our schools. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at meastman@rsu24.org.

DOWNEAST MAINE NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA- June 2026 Community Discussions. The Downeast Maine National Heritage Area program supports community initiatives that celebrate the cultural traditions, working landscapes, and historic places of Downeast Maine. This program is guided by the priorities of communities across the Downeast region – and you can help us develop a program that supports initiatives most important for Downeast Maine. We hope you will join the Downeast Maine National Heritage Area Steering Committee for an interactive discussion about your cultural and natural heritage preservation priorities. We will meet on Monday, June 8th at the Sullivan Rec Center from 5:30PM to 7PM. Refreshments will be served.

MEET THE CANDIDATES

In order to keep you informed, we have contacted each candidate and provided an overview below of candidates running that wanted to participate in this informational insert. Our Town election to vote for candidates will be held June 9th, 2026 at the Gouldsboro Recreation Center from 8AM – 8PM.

We look forward to seeing you!

SELECT BOARD CANDIDATES

1 vacant seat for 3-year term.



Johnathan Renwick

Select Board – 3-year term

Hello everyone, my name is Johnathan C. Renwick, once again I am running for the Gouldsboro Select Board. I have really enjoyed my short term as Select board member. I have learned a lot about our town and the intricacies of running one. I am a local lobster fisherman and am proud to have the opportunity to work for the future of the industry in our town, on the Harbor Committee and the Coastal Resilience Committee. We have a very good board right now and even when we disagree we all get along and have a good time, during our discussions. I would appreciate your vote so I may continue to work for everyone in our town!!

PLANNING BOARD CANDIDATES

2 vacant seats for 3-year terms.

1 vacant seat for 2-year term.

Deirdre McArdle

Planning Board – 3-year term

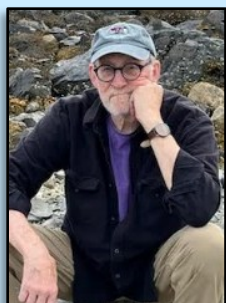
South Gouldsboro has been my family home for over thirty years. For the past five, I have been volunteering on the Planning Board, first as an alternate and then for a term as a voting member. During this time, I have learned to value the people who serve the town and the process that enables all who live here to make their voices heard in shaping the way Gouldsboro's future will look for our children. If elected I will continue to work with the Planning Board to clarify processes under board jurisdiction, streamline permitting, review ordinances and, most importantly, I will listen to what you have to say.



Jed West

Planning Board – 3-year term

Jed West here asking for your vote in the upcoming Gouldsboro Planning Board election. I moved to Gouldsboro with my wife Jill in 2020. I'm a lifelong entrepreneur who founded, built and ran an independent marketing agency in Los Angeles for over 25 years. I chose to live in Down East Maine over anywhere else in the country because I've loved and appreciated Maine since I attended college here. I've been active with the planning board nearly the entire time I've been here. And I approach the job with the balanced objective of preserving the natural beauty and character of this special place as well as fostering the economic success of its people.



Roy Gruver

Planning Board – 2-year term

I'm Roy Gruver, currently an alternate on the Planning Board (PB). I've been coming here since the 1970's as a visitor; I participated in PB meetings as a part-timer during the fish-farm days; and now this is my full-time home. I believe I have something to offer to the Town and its residents and would like to continue on as an elected PB member. I'd appreciate your vote.