

Report on the Selectboard Meeting of September 23, 2025

Prepared by Alison Freeman

Note: These are not official minutes -- -- just notes taken by me. Official minutes will be available from the Town Office and will be posted on the Town web site following Board approval at the next meeting.

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These notes, and the full agenda for the meeting, are available at SingingBridge.net as a PDF.

Recordings of Selectboard meetings are available on the Town's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@GeorgetownME>

The Meeting: The meeting was conducted as a Zoom hybrid. Selectboard Member Katie Goodwin, Town and Administrator Tyler Washburn were together in the Town Office. Selectboard Members Bronwen Tudor and Aria Eee, and Finance Director Mary McDonald were on Zoom. There were 12, members of the public in attendance in person or on Zoom.

The minutes of the meetings of August 26, 2025, and September 9, 2025 were approved. They will be posted on the Town website.

Most Important/Interesting Items: In my judgment, the following items were the most important things covered during the meeting.

- Mark Hymbaugh, Community Navigator, SCEMA & Sagadahoc County Board of Health introduced himself to the Selectboard and described the newly created Community Navigator position. He can be reached at 207-449-0185 and is available to help folks connect with resources available in Sagadahoc County
- Bill Webster was appointed to the Board of Appeals to fill a Vacancy (Expires 2027) •
- Reappointments to the Financial Advisory Committee (3-year terms) were approved
 - Julie Pankey, Full Member
 - Lisa Sabatine, Full Member
- A revision to the Financial Advisory Committee (FAC) Organizational Document was approved to create up to two Alternates. Anyone interested in serving as an alternate on the FAC is encouraged to contact the Town Office.
- The November 11 Select Board Meeting was rescheduled to 6pm Thursday, November 13
- General Assistance Ordinance Revisions per DHHS were approved

Correspondence:

The Town Administrator reported on correspondence received. For a complete listing of this correspondence, see the Meeting Agenda on the Town website. Members of the public may come to the Town Office to read the correspondence items listed here.

The most interesting items were:

- Maine Public Utilities Commission - Rate Notice
- Maine Department of Marine Resources - Shellfish Advisory Council Meeting
- Tedford Shelter- Monthly Newsletter
- MidCoast Senior College - Fall Term Notices

Upcoming Events/Dates:

Planning Board-Wednesday, October 1st - 7pm HYBRID

Recreation Committee -Tuesday, October 7th - 6pm HYBRID

Solid Waste Management Committee - Thursday, October 9th - 7pm ZOOM

Conservation Commission - Monday, October 13th - 6pm ZOOM

Select Board -Tuesday, October 14th - 6pm HYBRID

Planning Board - Wednesday, October 15th - 7pm HYBRID

Town Owned Property Management Board - Tuesday, October 21st - 4pm HYBRID

Select Board- Tuesday, October 28th - 6pm HYBRID

The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 6 PM on Tuesday, October 14. The public is welcome to attend in person or on ZOOM. E-mail gtwnme@hotmail.com for the ZOOM code to join the meeting no later than 2pm that day. The agenda and meeting packet are available, usually the Monday before a meeting, at:

https://www.georgetownme.com/?page_id=6611

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and Board of Health

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Essential Rides for Everyday Living

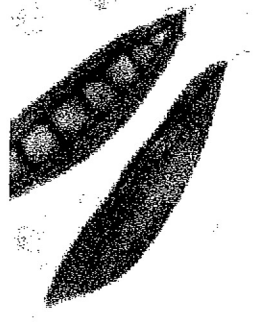
Georgetown has a volunteer transportation program for older residents without other transportation options. This free program is all about getting neighbors to where they need to go. Local volunteers from your community are ready to drive a registered rider to different destinations such as the grocery store, medical appointments and social activities.

To register or to learn more about these rides Georgetown residents please get in touch with James Peavey at 207-387-0440 or email gtagefriendly@gmail.com.

This program would not be possible without the continuous support from the Bath Police Department, AARP Maine, UMaine Center on Aging/Lifelong Maine, the Maine Cabinet on Aging, and Age-Friendly Communities of the Lower Kennebec.



**Where every ride and
everyone matters.
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Bring your own bag

Chocolate Church Community Choir

Experience the joy of singing in community! This choir is open to adults (14+) who love to sing in a welcoming and supportive environment. Learn vocal warmups, vocal health, basic singing technique, harmonizing, and fun choral arrangements. Sign up for the Fall Session (Oct 7- Dec 16) today!!

*Email jclukeymusic@gmail.com or visit
<https://www.chocolatechurcharts.org/music-program>
for more information or to register.*

Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm

Chocolate Church Arts Center Annex

804 Washington St, Bath, ME 04530

Fall Enrollment Fee: \$150

Led by: Dr. Jane Clukey





Georgetown Historical Society

20 Bay Point Road, Georgetown, Maine 04548
207-371-9200 georgetownhistorical@gmail.com

GHS hours: Wednesdays 10 – 5 and Saturdays 10 – 1

Celebrate! 50 Years, 50 Treasures: Selections from the GHS Collections

An exhibit which takes visitors back through our island's history –
from the current day to pre-colonial Indigenous habitation.



May 24 through November 1, 2025



Join us as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of
GHS and The Georgetown Tide.



October 4th
at Patten Free Library



Date TBD
at Bath Habitat for
Humanity ReStore



September 20th
at the
Curtis Memorial Library

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A Repair Cafe brings together a community
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All events held on Saturday Mornings
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- Small appliances
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- Book Repair
- Leather Repairs
- Knife Sharpening

**We are always looking for
additional volunteers, if you
are interested call Curtis
Library!**

Questions? Please call the Curtis library at 725-5242 ext 4

SELECT BOARD, TOWN OF GEORGETOWN

Agenda for Tuesday, September 23, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Hybrid meeting held via ZOOM for public and at the Town Office for SB Members who wish.

Please email gtwnme@hotmail.com for the ZOOM login info.

*indicates copy provided to Select Board

***INDICATES THE NEED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE**

Call to order:

Moment of silence in memory of Ole Jaeger, James “Jim” Piepenbrink, and Nicole Niehoff

Public comment:

Items to be added to the agenda (if approved by chair and board):

Scheduled appointments:

- 6:15pm – Public Hearing on General Assistance Ordinance Revisions per DHHS and any appropriate action**
- 6:30pm – Presentation from Mark Hymbaugh, Community Navigator, SCEMA & Sagadahoc County Board of Health

Minutes:

- Minutes of August 26, 2025 **
- Minutes of September 9, 2025**

Review:

- August Financials*
- Year End 2024 Audit*
- Updated Permit Listing*

Assessing items: none

Correspondence:

- Maine Public Utilities Commission – Rate Notice*
- Maine Department of Marine Resources – Shellfish Advisory Council Meeting*
- Tedford Shelter – Monthly Newsletter*
- MidCoast Senior College – Fall Term Notices*

Continuing Items:

- Receipts for pumping:
- Maine Waste Discharge License *renewal* / transfer applications:
- Maine Waste Discharge License *approvals*:
- PBR / NRPA :

Board Member / Committee Updates:

- Ms. Tudor:
- Ms. Eee:
- Ms. Goodwin:

Town Administrator Update

Finance Director Update

Fire Chief Update

Old Business:

- Resignation as Alternate to the Planning Board – Bill Webster*
- Appointment of Bill Webster to Board of Appeals Vacancy (Expires 2027) *
- Reappointments to the Financial Advisory Committee (3-year terms)
 - Julie Pankey, Full Member *
 - Lisa Sabatine, Full Member *

New Business:

- Proposed Revision to FAC Organizational Document to Create Alternates* *
- Designation of Voting Member for MMA Annual Business Meeting* *
- Authorization for Finance Director to obtain a Tax Anticipation Note (TAN) not to exceed \$500,000 *
- Change of Paper of Record for Advertising* *
- Possible rescheduling of the November 11 Select Board Meeting *
 - Administrator's recommendation - Wednesday, November 12, 6pm

Items For Signature:

Public comment:

Executive Session:

Adjournment:

UPCOMING MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND DATES TO REMEMBER...

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Sagadahoc County Community Navigation
Authorization for Release of Information

I, _____, DOB ____/____/____, authorize the
Sagadahoc County Community Navigators to obtain and release, as needed,
information that is pertinent to the coordination of available services and resources.

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Household members:

Name _____ DOB ____/____/____

Name _____ DOB ____/____/____

Name _____ DOB ____/____/____

Name _____ DOB ____/____/____

Name _____ DOB ____/____/____

Check the items to be covered under this authorization:

___ Financial Information

___ Housing Information

___ Medical Information

___ Family History

___ Progress Notes

___ Treatment Plans

___ Utility Information

___ Current/Previous Employment

___ Mental Health Information

___ Other _____

This information is to be used only for:

___ Services coordination

___ Other _____

**If you would like us to coordinate with any specific people such as your
family members, case managers, medical providers, etc., please write their
names here:**

I authorize the above information to be released to or obtained from:

Mark Hymbaugh, Community Navigator
Sagadahoc County Emergency Management Agency
Sagadahoc County Board of Health
752 High Street | Bath, Maine 04530
207-449-0185 | mhymbaugh@sagadahoccountyme.gov

I understand that the information shared under this release may be confidential in nature. I may revoke this authorization at any time by notifying the community navigator in person or by phone, mail, or email.

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Adult Signature

Date

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Adult Signature

Date

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Adult Signature

Date



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This authorization expires on ____/____/____ or one year from today if undated.

If you wish to **revoke** this Authorization for Release of Information, please sign here:

Client Signature _____ Date _____

SAGADAHOC COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
SAGADAHOC COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
752 HIGH STREET
BATH, ME 04530
207-449-0185



Maine Public Utilities Commission Required Customer Notice

On or around September 16, 2025, Central Maine Power Company (CMP) intends to file a request with the Maine Public Utilities Commission (the Commission) to increase its distribution rates. CMP plans to propose a five-year distribution rate plan.

CMP will request that new rates go into effect each year for five years with the first distribution rate change of the five-year plan effective October 1, 2026. As proposed (and calculated) by CMP, a typical residential customer with usage of 550 kWh per month would experience the following increases:

Rate Plan Year	Date	Approximate \$ Monthly Bill Impact
Year 1	October 1, 2026	\$17
Year 2	October 1, 2027	\$5
Year 3	October 1, 2028	\$4
Year 4	October 1, 2029	\$4
Year 5	October 1, 2030	\$5
5-Year Total		\$35

CMP's proposed rate plan will increase the company's annual revenues as follows:

Rate Plan Year	Revenue Increase ¹ (Millions)
Year 1	\$185
Year 2	\$57
Year 3	\$52
Year 4	\$61
Year 5	\$72
5-Year Total	\$427

CMP will propose that any percentage increase in approved rates be applied equally to the current rates for residential, commercial, and industrial customers.

At this time, the Commission has no position on CMP's requested rate plan and welcomes customer input.

¹ The proposed distribution revenue increases do not include distribution revenue increases (or decreases) that would result from additional revenue gained (or lost) from kWh delivery charges associated with increased (or decreased) sales. In other words, these figures do not account for "load growth" (or "load loss").

You may participate in the distribution rate proceeding before the Commission in several ways:

1. If you want to be notified when a filing is made in the case or when Commission orders are issued, you may add your name to the case notification list using the Commission's online case management system (CMS). For information on how to register and use the system, please access the information at www.maine.gov/mpuc/online-services/. The case has been assigned Docket No. 2025-00218.
2. You may petition to intervene. If your petition to intervene is granted, you will be a party with the right (and responsibility) to participate formally in the case. Your petition may be submitted through the Commission's CMS and must include the name and docket number of this proceeding (Docket No. 2025-00218) as well as the manner in which you are affected by this proceeding. Your petition must also include a short, plain statement of the nature and extent of the participation you seek, and a statement of the nature of the evidence or argument you intend to submit. You may also submit your petition in writing via U.S. mail to the Commission's Administrative Director, Maine Public Utilities Commission, 18 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0018. Your petition to intervene must be filed with the Commission no later than Monday, September 29, 2025. The Commission will hold the initial case conference for this case on Wednesday, October 1, 2025 commencing at 10:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices at 26 Katherine Drive, Hallowell, Maine. Note that intervenors may be eligible for funding pursuant to Chapter 840 of the Commission's Rules, which may be found at <https://www.maine.gov/mpuc/legislative/laws-rules>.
3. You may file a public comment through the Commission's CMS by accessing <https://mpuc-cms.maine.gov/CQM.Public.WebUI/Comments/CaseNumberSearch.aspx> using case number 2025-00218.
4. The Commission will hold public witness hearings. You may appear as a witness and give sworn testimony. The Commission has scheduled the following public witness hearings:

Time and Date	Location
6:00 p.m., October 14, 2025	Hilton Garden Inn, 5 Park Street, Freeport, ME
6:00 p.m., October 15, 2025	Maine Public Utilities Commission, 26 Katherine Drive, Hallowell, ME

THE COMMISSION MAY NOT PUBLISH ANY FURTHER NOTICES OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY HEARINGS.

For more information about this proceeding, contact the Commission at 207-287-3831 or www.maine.gov/mpuc; CMP, Regulatory Services at 207-623-3521 or visit www.cmpco.com/pricing. In addition, the Office of the Public Advocate provides guidance on how to participate at the Commission at www.maine.gov/meopa/puc-information and can be reached at 207-624-3687.

Next Week - 2025 Quarter 3 Shellfish Advisory Council Meeting

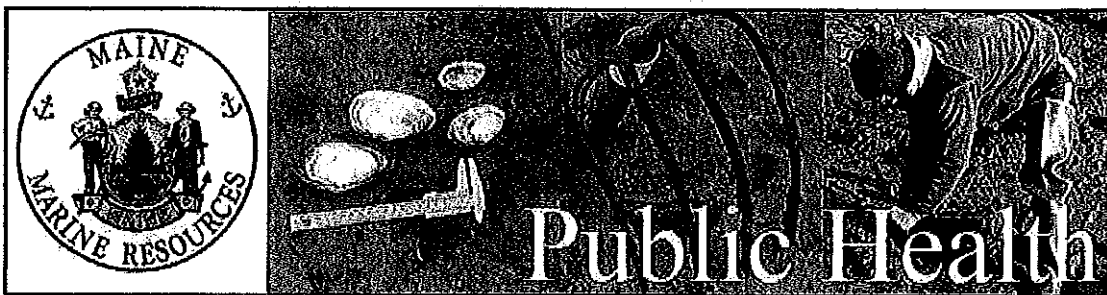
From Shellfish Advisory Council - DMR <DMRPUBLICHealth@subscriptions.maine.gov>

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DMR Announces the Following:

The 2025 Quarter 3 Shellfish Advisory Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept 23 from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM at the DMR Augusta office in room 118 and virtually via Microsoft Teams. Your participation is greatly appreciated and welcomed! We hope to see you there!

If you have a topic you would like added to future agendas please send an email to DMRPUBLICHealthDIV@maine.gov with the information below. This format is not required for submission though it is helpful in creating the agenda.

1. The topic name
2. The presenter's name if applicable.
3. A brief explanation of the topic.
4. How much time you would like or expect to need.
5. Any documents/website links you would like on the agenda or provided during the meeting.

Please visit the DMR website for notices of biotoxin and bacterial shellfish closures.

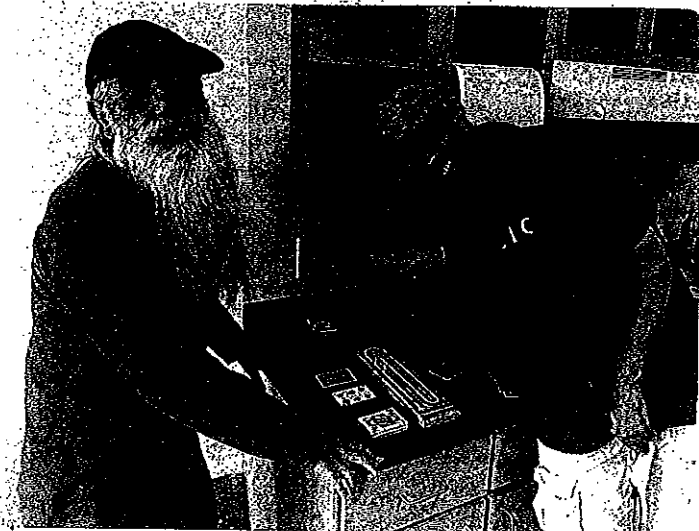
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FALL 2025 NEWSLETTER

Tedford Housing



Robert's Cribbage Table, His Corner of Community

Robert's daily ritual hasn't changed much. Coffee in hand, a classic Western movie playing quietly in the background, he sets up his cribbage board and challenges a friend to a game. What's different now is that he's doing it in his own studio apartment in Portland. "I wake up every day and I pinch myself," he says with a grin. "It's been almost a month, and some days it still doesn't feel real, to have a place of my own again."

Robert's past several months have been full of challenges and unexpected turns. Before losing his housing in Bath earlier this year, Robert experienced profound loss—the deaths of his sister and one of his daughters.

The grief seeped into every part of his life, making daily routines feel heavy and unmanageable. Meals went unmade. Medical appointments were missed. Rental payments were out of reach. In February, Robert came to Tedford's Winter Warming Center, looking for warmth and stability. Every morning, he called the adult shelter, hoping for a permanent bed. In April, just before the warming center closed for the season, a spot finally opened. At the shelter, Robert met Mason, his case manager. Housing applications piled up, leads fell through, and the process tested him in ways he didn't expect. "I've had a lot of people give up on me, including myself—but Mason never did," Robert says.

The shelter itself became a source of comfort he hadn't anticipated. "It makes me emotional, honestly," he says. "The people at Tedford became my family after I'd lost so much. It sounds silly, but the shelter became a real home these last four months."

In his own studio apartment, Robert is finding a quiet sense of happiness. He says he feels "happy and calm," and it shows in the small pleasures of his days. He's cooking his favorite meals, especially his famous chop suey, taking walks to explore his new neighborhood, and planning a long weekend to visit his children in northern Maine. Peer support groups and counseling have helped him make steady progress on his mental health, and everyday routines—brewing coffee just the way he likes it, playing cribbage or chess with a friend, and laughing over stories from the past—give his days a comforting rhythm and connection.



A Morning of Joy: Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

In late August, we brought together volunteers from every corner of Tedford's community for our annual appreciation breakfast. People who prepare and deliver meals, tend the gardens, take client intakes for fuel assistance, helped paint the Winter Warming Center, serve on the board, and so many more, gathered to enjoy a shared meal.

Volunteers swapped stories, shared resources, and brainstormed ways to continue supporting Tedford's guests, tenants, and clients experiencing housing struggles while also finding ways to help one another through mutual aid. We invited everyone to share what is currently bringing them the most joy in their lives, adding their thoughts to a wall of colorful sticky notes. Seeing, sharing, and soaking in these joys together created a space full of presence, care, & community.

"Late summer sunrises"

"Farmer's market hauls"

"Sunflowers & my grandkids"

"Being part of Tedford Family"



Volunteer Spotlight: Bobby's Afternoon Adventures

When Bobby Gaglini moved to Brunswick last year, he was eager to find a way to connect with his new community. Through Curtis Memorial Library, he was introduced to Tedford

and quickly found his place spending afternoons with the kids at the family shelter. From rock painting to charades to a good old-fashioned game of hide and seek, Bobby says no two afternoons are the same. "I love letting my inner kid come out and just having fun alongside the kids—it's the best way to connect," he shares.

Bobby's life outside of volunteering is just as colorful. He's an avid gardener, loves to cook—so much so that he's become quite adept at pickling hundreds of cucumbers from his own garden. He's also an amateur meteorologist and has spent time chasing tornadoes across the Great Plains. Volunteering at Tedford has grounded him in his new community. All of us at Tedford—and the children and families whose afternoons he brightens—are so grateful for Bobby.

Tie-Dye and Treasure Hunts at Federal Street

This summer, the joy at Tedford's Family Shelter was contagious. From ages 2 to 13, the children living at Federal Street threw themselves into a whirlwind of activities, games, and creative projects, and every moment was full of laughter and pure imagination.

The kids challenged each other in competitive games of charades, hunted for treasures in scavenger hunts, and painted rocks to brighten the shelter's garden. They made slime, tie-dyed t-shirts, dug potatoes from the garden, and, yes, got messy with mud, paint, popsicle juice—you name it. Hide-and-seek became a daily tradition, with giggles echoing down the hallways. **Your support provides shelter bednights, case management hours, and life-changing resources, and it also makes programs like this possible.** Come fall, the kids can't wait to dive into new games, art projects, & plenty of laughter-filled activities.



Summer Socials: Good Food, Great Neighbors

We brought the party to three of our permanent supportive housing buildings in Brunswick, Bath, and Auburn—with sizzling BBQs for tenants! There were a few burnt hotdogs (all part of the fun), plenty of laughter, and lots of moments that reminded us why community matters. Tenants showed off their gardens, swapped favorite recipes, and teased one another like good neighbors do. Music and art sparked conversations, and we got to see how much they look out for each other—checking in, sharing tips, and building connections that make these communities feel like family.



Tedford provides 37 units of Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), serving 78 individuals and family members who have experienced homelessness. These homes provide tenants stability, allowing them to focus on work, health, and everyday life. On-site case management connects them to jobs, healthcare, food, and other resources, helping them thrive. We know these programs work—our tenants stay housed long-term, with an average stay of more than five years.

These homes and the communities they support are at risk. With 97% of PSH tenants relying on housing vouchers, proposed federal funding cuts could put their stability into question. Your donations help Tedford sustain the case management services that make this vital program so effective, keeping neighbors housed and strengthening the community we all share.

Welcoming Michelle Baldwin, New Director of Programs



This summer, Tedford welcomed Michelle Baldwin as our new Director of Programs! Michelle brings a wealth of experience across Maine's housing and human services landscape. She previously worked with the Office of Behavioral Health Housing Team, overseeing statewide programs and contracts and using data and policy advocacy to improve services for Mainers experiencing homelessness. Michelle also has hands-on experience from her time at Safe Voices, a domestic violence shelter and housing provider, where she managed shelters, housing programs, budgets, and staff—always balancing client-focused care with strong program leadership.

"Working in human services means inspiring and witnessing change on every level, both individually and systemically. I'm excited to grow with Tedford as we expand our programs, open our new building, and deepen our impact in the community we serve."



Dancing In The Street

Tedford made its parade debut at the 60th annual Yarmouth Clam Festival this July! Staff, clients, volunteers, and friends came together around a "human house" float that lifted up our values of unity, hospitality, and solidarity. A live soul band kept spirits high with Everyday People and other tunes in keeping with the parade's "Retro Rewind" theme—all made possible by solar power from our friends at ReVislon Energy. Our float was colorful and full of energy, but the message was clear: housing is a community responsibility, and our social safety net is strongest when we all contribute.

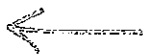
Advocates on Stage: Homelessness in Numbers & Narratives

**FREEPORT
SPEECH**

Staff, board members, and friends attended Freeport Speech's panel, "A Frank Conversation About Homelessness," with Dr. Jim O'Connell, Tracey Kidder, Cullen Ryan, and Deborah DeSantis. The discussion paired hard-hitting statistics with powerful personal stories, reminding us of the real people behind the numbers. We are grateful that ticket sales from the event directly supported Tedford Housing. Thank you to Freeport Speech, the panelists, and everyone who came out to listen, learn, and support our community.



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Tedford Housing

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RIBBON CUTTING CELEBRATION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH | 12:00 PM | OPENING REMARKS
65 THOMAS PT. RD. | 1:00 PM | DOORS OPEN
BRUNSWICK, ME | 1:00 - 6:00 PM | FACILITY TOURS



Tedford Housing is grateful to the following agencies for their support:



United Way
of Androscoggin County



UNITED WAY
Mid Coast Maine

Cumberland County



Maine Housing



More Fall Events:

**Damariscotta Pumpkinfest Parade –
Saturday, Oct. 11 | 2:00 PM**

Join Tedford as we march and share our mission—help us get the word out to the community!

**“Building Hope: Ending Homelessness”
Film Screening – Tuesday, Oct. 28 | 6:30–
8:30 PM | Chocolate Church Arts Center,
Bath**

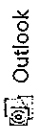
Film screening hosted by Bath Sunrise Rotary, featuring Tedford on the post-film panel.

Book Club Opportunity!

Kate Meader



Local author Deb Gould's novella offers stories from Gardiner's 120-year homelessness response, exploring self-determination, disability, and the social safety net. Tedford and Deb are available for book club Q&A. To add to your 2025–26 calendar, please email: andrew@tedfordhousing.org.



Interest in Board of Appeals

From Bill Webster <bwebsterj@gmail.com>
Date Fri 9/19/2025 8:20 PM
To Tyler Washburn <gtwnme@hotmail.com>

Hello, Tyler,

I would like to (1) resign my position as an Alternate on the Planning Board and (2) be considered for the vacancy on the Board of Appeals.

Thank you.

Bill Webster
207-751-2922



**MAINE MUNICIPAL
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60 Community Drive | Augusta, ME 04330-9486
1-800-452-8786 (in state) | (t) 207-623-8428

To: Key Municipal Officials of MMA Membership
From: Catherine Conlow, Executive Director
Date: September 8, 2025
Subject: MMA Annual Business Meeting & Voting Credentials

The Maine Municipal Association will hold its annual business meeting in conjunction with the 89th Annual Convention:

Date: Wednesday, October 8, 2025

Time: 1:15 p.m. (Immediately following the MMA Leadership & Recognition Luncheon)

Location: Cross Insurance Center, Bangor, Maine

Purpose & Highlights:

Join MMA President Melissa Doane, Vice President Justin Poirier, and Executive Director Catherine Conlow as they:

- Share strategic priorities for the year ahead.
- Present highlights of MMA's 2025 activities and accomplishments.
- Announce the results of the Executive Committee election.

This meeting offers a unique opportunity for municipal officers to participate directly in MMA's direction-setting, celebrate collective achievements, and engage in forward-looking dialogue.

Enclosed you will find the meeting agenda as well as a voting delegate credential form. Appointed delegates are authorized to vote on all items of business conducted during the meeting. To ensure your municipality is represented, please complete and submit the form by either: (1) bringing it to the Annual Business Meeting on October 8; (2) emailing it to kellymaines@memun.org, or mailing it, so the form arrives on or before Monday, October 6, to:

Kelly Maines
Executive Office Administrative Coordinator
60 Community Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

Note: This year, there are no proposed amendments to the MMA bylaws.

"From Partners to Progress" embodies our 2025 theme, spotlighting how partnerships pave the way to meaningful advancement across Maine's municipalities. The Convention delivers a rich blend of



**Maine Municipal Association
Annual Business Meeting
Wednesday, October 8, 2025
1:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Cross Insurance Center
Bangor, Maine**

AGENDA

1. **Introductions and Welcoming Remarks** – MMA President Melissa Doane, Bradley Town Manager will welcome members to the business meeting.
2. **Election Results** – Melissa Doane will share the results of the Maine Municipal Election that took place August 29, 2025.
3. **Approval of 2024 MMA Annual Business Meeting Minutes** – Melissa Doane will ask for approval of the 2024 Annual Business Meeting minutes to be approved as presented.
4. **MMA President's Report** – Melissa Doane will discuss her term in office and the remainder of the year.
5. **Executive Director's Report** – Catherine Conlow, MMA Executive Director will discuss MMA business taking place throughout the year.
6. **Other Business** (*comments from the floor*)
7. **Adjournment**

**Maine Municipal Association
Annual Business Meeting
Wednesday, October 2, 2024, 1:15 p.m.
Augusta Civic Center - Penobscot Room
Meeting Minutes**

Members in Attendance: See attached record.

Introductions and Welcoming Remarks -MMA President Diane Hines welcomed members of MMA to the 2024 Annual Business meeting and called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Election Results - Diane Hines shared results of the MMA Executive Committee Election that took place August 23, 2024, as follows:

New Members begin their terms on January 1, 2025.

Officers for 2025:

- President – Melissa Doane, Town Manager, Bradley
- Vice President - Justin Poirier, Town Manager, Monmouth

Re-elected for a three-year term:

- David Cyr, Town Manager, Frenchville

Newly elected for a three-year term:

- Matt Garside, Town Manager, Poland
- Michele Varuolo-Cole, Selectperson, Bethel

Filling a vacant position with a term ending December 31, 2026:

- Pious Ali, Councilor, Portland

Approval of the 2023 MMA Annual Business Meeting Minutes – Diane Hines asked for approval of the 2023 MMA Annual Business Meeting.

Elaine Aloes MOVED, and the motion was seconded by David Cyr that the MMA Annual Business Meeting minutes be approved by voting members present. The motion passed with all in favor.

MMA President's Report - Diane Hines shared highlights from the past nine months of her presidency and her plans for the last three months. She shared the importance of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) that is suffered by many first responders and the ServeStrong Initiative implemented by MMA. ServeStrong is an online platform that all members can use to connect with resources and real help to overcome this difficulty. It is free to all members and confidential for all users.

She continued by discussing improvements to the MMA facility, and she shared her and MMA's commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion pointing out the scholarships and educational opportunities made available by MMA. Next, she talked about the membership survey that was sent out to town officials to engage members. She stated, "Your input matters."

Executive Director's Report – Executive Director, Catherine Conlow discussed the activities taking place at MMA over the past year and plans for the future. She thanked President Diane

**MAINE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION
VOTING DELEGATE CREDENTIALS**

_____ Is hereby designated as the official Voting
Delegate and
(print name)
_____ as the alternative Voting Delegate for
(print name)

(municipality)

to the Maine Municipal Association's Annual Business Meeting, which is scheduled to be held, on
Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 1:15 p.m., at the Bangor Cross Insurance Center, Bangor, Me.

*The voting delegate credentials may be cast by a majority of the municipal officers, or by a
municipal official designated by a majority of the municipal officers of each municipal
member.*

Date: _____ Municipality: _____

Signature of a Municipal Official designated by a majority of Municipal Officers:

Name: _____ Position: _____

Or signature of the majority of municipal officers:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Please return this form no later than Monday, October 6, 2025, or bring it with you to the MMA
Annual Business Meeting. If mailing send to:

**MMA Annual Business Meeting
Maine Municipal Association
60 Community Drive
Augusta, Maine 04330
Email: kmaines@memun.org**

Georgetown Financial Advisory Committee
ADOPTED by the Select Board 1/25/2022
FOR REVISION by the Select Board 9/23/2025

Purpose:

The FAC is an advisory committee formed solely to assist the Select Board in preparation of the annual Town budget and to offer financial advice in other areas as the Board may request.

Membership and Qualifications:

The committee shall consist of 5 members appointed by the Select Board to rotating 3-year terms. The Board will seek to recruit for FAC membership registered Georgetown voters but will consider candidates who have demonstrated experience in financial administration and/or personnel management. Any member with an affiliation to a Town committee or department that may cause a conflict of interest during the budget proceedings will be asked to recuse him/herself from applicable discussions. The Town Treasurer participates as an ex officio member to provide oversight, guidance and supporting financial information.

The Select Board shall appoint up to two Alternates to the FAC, who may participate in meetings and deliberations as non-voting members and shall be prepared to serve in the event of a vacancy or recusal of a regular member. Alternates should possess the same qualifications as full members and will be encouraged to remain actively engaged in all committee activities to ensure continuity and informed contributions when called upon.

Officers and Procedures:

The committee shall elect a chair, vice chair and secretary at the first meeting of each budget cycle. The budget schedule and annual Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) increase shall be set by the Select Board. The FAC typically meets between January and May of each year. All meetings shall be open to the public with appropriate notice given and minutes submitted to the Town Office for filing and posting on the town website. Freedom of Access Act (FOAA) training is required of all members.

Duties:

The FAC will solicit, collect, and collate budget information from all departments and committees of the Town through written exchanges or direct conversations between committee chairs and a member of the FAC. If necessary, the FAC may request time on a committee meeting agenda to discuss anticipated budget changes, questions, or discrepancies.

The FAC will provide regular reports to the Select Board summarizing requests for new or increased expenses as well as anticipated carry overs as they are identified. If necessary, public workshops to review proposals from specific departments or committees may be scheduled.

It is the responsibility of the FAC to record and report all department and committee budget requests and any recommendations, with justification, that may counter those requests. The FAC shall present a proposed budget, including the prior fiscal year, committee requested budgets and FAC recommendations to the Select Board for initial review and approval. The Board may request revisions for consideration by the FAC and committees. After Select Board approval, review and preparation of the final proposed budget document, and any supporting documents presented at the public Budget Hearing, shall be the responsibility of the Treasurer with clerical support from the Town Office. Any changes made as a result of the budget hearing shall be approved by the Select Board and finalized as the official budget document for Town Meeting.



Outlook

RE: Georgetown - Change of a Paper of Record

From Legal Services Dept <legal@memun.org>

Date Thu 9/18/2025 11:23 AM

To gtwnme@hotmail.com <gtwnme@hotmail.com>

Hi Tyler,

I don't know that the Town needs to do anything formal to change the paper it uses for notices. The exception would be if there are Town ordinances that specifically mention the Times Record, you would need to revise those ordinances before you could change the paper you use. However, most ordinances don't name a specific paper. Most simply state that notices or advertisements must appear in a newspaper of general circulation in the town. I'd recommend that you review land use and other ordinances that might deal with newspaper notice.

Similarly, if there are board policies that name the Times Record, those would need to be revised, but policies generally require only a board vote, not a town meeting, so revising policies would be much simpler.

Finally, for the public's benefit, it would likely be wise to let the public know of the change so that people won't be looking for notices exclusively in the Times Record and will know to look in the other paper.

I hope this is helpful. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Susanne F. Pilgrim, Staff Attorney
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From: Tyler Washburn <gtwnme@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2025 10:13 AM
To: Legal Services Dept <legal@memun.org>
Subject: Georgetown - Change of a Paper of Record

Hello!

At a recent County Commissioners meeting, they voted to change their paper of record from the Times Record to the Portland Press Herald. This is largely due to the significant cutbacks on their circulation (only one printed day a

week). Our paper of record in Georgetown has also been the Times Record. I would like to share with our Select Board the steps we would need to take to make a change locally. To that end, could you advise on what steps would be necessary?

Best,

Tyler J. Washburn
Town Administrator
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Georgetown, ME 04548
(207) 371-2820