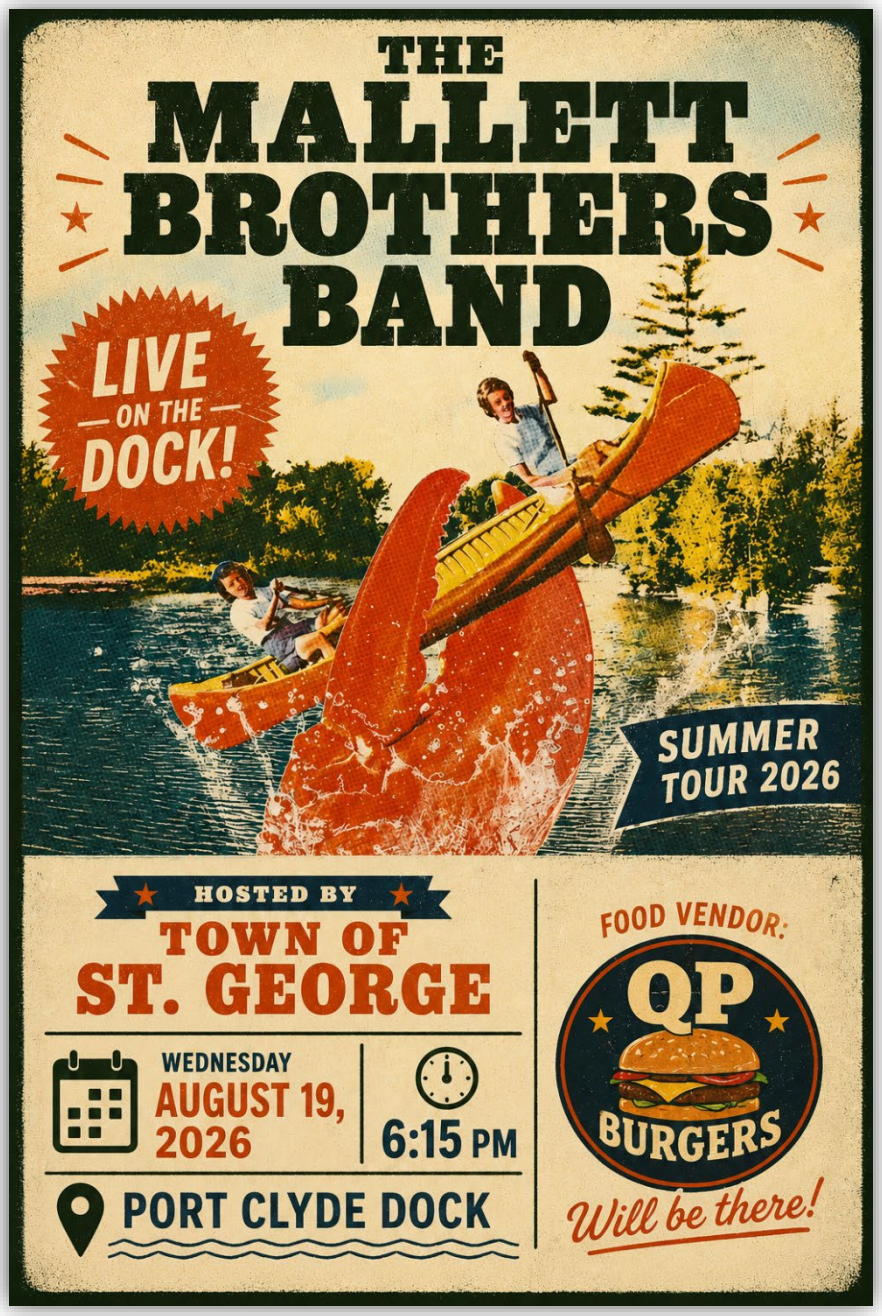
ST. GEORGE NEWSLETTER

August 2026



Port Clyde Dock Concerts

Adam Ezra drew a huge crowd. Denny Breau pleased spectators with his exceptionally smooth guitar playing. Griffin William Sherry & The Band brought us back in time with *The Ballad of the 20th Maine*. This month, the Port Clyde dock concert series closes with perennial Maine favorites The Mallet Brothers! Come early; we expect this to be a *packed* show.

TOWN CALENDAR
August 2026

Aug 4th Resilience Committee meeting, 4:15pm
Aug 5th Cemetery Committee meeting, 4:30pm
Aug 6th Conservation Commission meeting, 4:30pm
Aug 10th Select Board meeting, 6pm
Aug 11th Planning Board meeting, 7pm
Aug 12th Open Space committee meeting, 4pm
Aug 18th Town Office opens late for staff meeting 9:30am
Aug 24th Select Board meeting, 6pm
Aug 25th Planning Board meeting, 7pm
Aug 26th Open Space committee meeting, 4pm

Meeting dates/times subject to change; please see our website for the most up-to-date info

Town website: www.stgeorgemaine.com

Town Facebook: www.facebook.com/TownofSaintGeorge

School website: www.stgeorgemsu.org

Parks & Recreation News

Seniors-
We will hold our next senior luncheon on the 8th of September, as we take the month of August off. Hope you all enjoy your summer!!

Youth-
As summer is still underway and many children want to attend camp, I want to remind community members about our Billy Stuart Memorial Sports Scholarship. This scholarship fund is available to the youth of St. George to provide financial assistance in attending a sports camp, clinic or other enrichment program. For more information and the application visit the Parks and Recreation Department page on our Town Website. The link will be on the top left.

Community-
A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the Parks and Recreation St. George Days: 5k, Fun Run and Cornhole. We had over 100 runners participate and 23 cornhole teams this year! The weekend was a great success and we hope to see you back again next year!

The St. George Fire Department trains at 6pm on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday. They have "truck checks" at 6pm on the 4th Wednesday. The second Wednesday of the month is their business meeting at 7pm. All events are at the Tenants Harbor Fire Station.

TOWN INFORMATION

Town Office: 372-6363 **Fax:** 372-8954
Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-4pm
Transfer Station: 372-6451
Hours: Tue through Sat 8am-4pm

Select Board

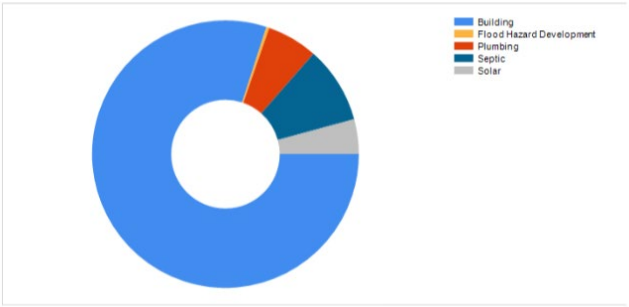
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Permit Type Report

Permit Date
06/01/2026 to 06/30/2026

Description	Fees	Payments	Permits
Building	$4,552.26	4,512.26	15
Flood Hazard Development	$20.00	20.00	1
Plumbing	$350.00	280.00	6
Septic	$530.00	530.00	2
Solar	$239.61	92.48	4
Total	$5,691.87	5,434.74	28

Fees Breakdown



The St. George Planning Department would like to keep our residents informed regarding building, plumbing, and septic permits that have been approved by our CEO/LPI Terry Brackett.

Each month in the newsletter, we will post a chart reflecting the type of permit, the fees, and the payment amounts. As always, the public may request to look at any application that has come into the office, or an approved permit.

Open space surveys due August 31st!

Just a reminder that the Open Space Committee will be gathering your input through our survey **until August 31st**. You will continue to see us out and about at public places and events. Our survey is available on paper at the town office, library, post offices, and CDC. It's also available online—use the link below or the QR code to the right. *We really want to hear from you!*

https://forms.gle/GkEHnYVdwmrT1oJm7



Meanwhile, as you think about what open space means in your life, here are few interesting facts:

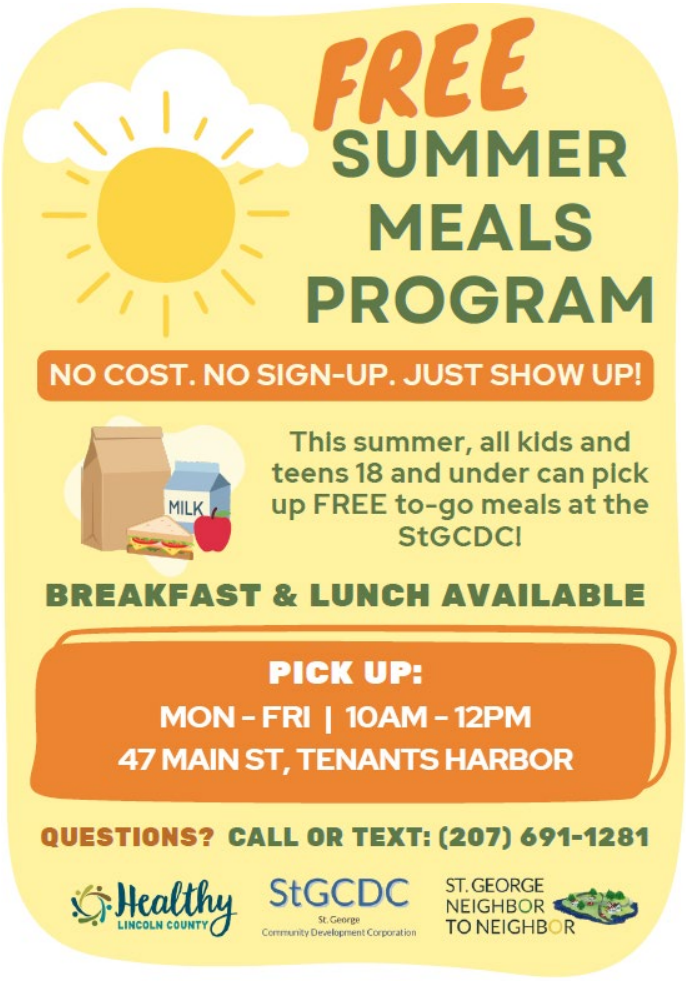
- Approximately 2% of land in St. George is permanently conserved and has public access.
- Approximately 5% of land in St. George is conserved and does not have public access.
- In order to support populations of ospreys, beavers, and deer, habitat blocks of 100-500 acres are needed.
- Besides being nice to look at, open spaces help define our town's character, support clean water and wildlife, and create opportunities for recreation, connection with the outdoors, and livelihoods.

A Note from the Executive Director
St. George Community Development Corporation

Dear St. George Community,

I am honored and excited to step into the role of Executive Director at St. George Community Development Corporation (StGCDC). It is a privilege to join an organization that is so deeply connected to the community and whose mission is centered around supporting neighbors, creating opportunities, and strengthening the place we all call home.

Since stepping into this role, I have been continually inspired by the dedication of our staff, volunteers, Board of Directors, community partners, and the many neighbors who make the work of StGCDC possible. The strength of this organization comes from the people who show up every day — whether that means volunteering their time, donating resources, accessing support, or simply looking out for one another.



StGCDC plays an important role in our community through programs such as the Community Cupboard, Fresh Fridays, resource navigation, hardship assistance, community repair efforts, and so much more. Each program reflects the belief that when we work together, we can help ensure our neighbors have the support and resources they need to thrive.

As I begin this new chapter, my focus is on listening, learning, and building strong relationships throughout our community. I look forward to connecting with residents, partners, volunteers, and supporters to better understand the needs and opportunities ahead. Together, we can continue to strengthen the programs that are making an impact while exploring new ways to serve our community.

One exciting project on the horizon is the development of workforce housing through our Brookside project on Route 73. This initiative reflects our commitment to creating long-term solutions that help individuals and families remain part of the community they love.

I want to thank everyone who has welcomed me into this role and who continues to support StGCDC's mission. The work we do is only possible because of the generosity, compassion, and commitment of this community.
I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as your Executive Director and look forward to working alongside you as we continue building a stronger, more connected St. George community.

With appreciation,
Britta McCollom
Executive Director
St. George Community Development Corporation

Crab or Shrimp Roll Sales



Eureka Masonic Lodge, 4 Watts Avenue, Tenants Harbor, offers Crab or Shrimp Roll sales on Wednesday, 5 and 19 August. For the price of $15, treat yourself to either a Crab or Shrimp Roll on a toasted bun, a bag of potato chips, a homemade dessert and a bottle of water. This is curbside pick-up and starts at 11:30 until sold out. We look forward to serving you.

Since our last issue the harbormaster's new boat has been lettered. We think it looks great. This new boat should last many *decades,* and allow the harbormaster to complete tasks not previously possible with the old boat. The cost of the boat has been funded over the years through a reserve account; the town has been saving for this purchase.



Conservation Commission
Another Step in a Long Process

We hope by now you are aware that our community, along with many others, is under threat of a quiet menace, Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). In this space in previous months, we have written about our concerns that Ash (Fraxinus) trees throughout Maine are under attack.

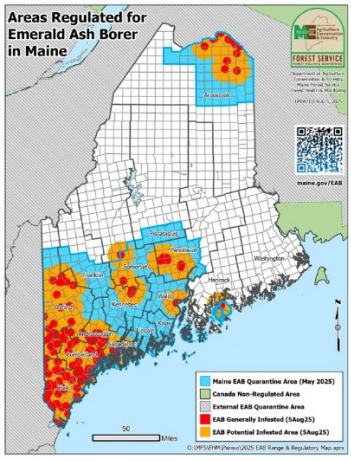
If you have journeyed to the south, west and north you would have seen the result of EAB infestation.





There are many ash trees in our community but they primarily reside along the riverside of our town. No where are they more prominent than on our own Fort Point Trail as shown in the map below created by Stu Rich and his St. George MSU student volunteers. Also below is a ME Forest Service (MFS) map showing the spread of EAB in ME since it arrived and a photo of one of the steps, we have taken to preserve some of the best and largest ash trees at Fort Point by girdling several small trees to act as a lures to any nearby EABs so they can be detected.







Another step recently taken after much thought, community engagement and research is to have the MFS cooperate with the St.George CC in a 10 year pilot project by injecting into the base of 12 selected Ash, an approved chemical which has been shown to be 98% effective to protect the trees from EAB.

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For the town's portion of this cooperative project, we plan on selecting a local licensed arborist to do the same process for another selected 48 trees. This will be done to save some of the largest and healthiest Ash on site for the future. Along with this step, it is planned to have larger less healthy Ash have their large limbs removed so the trail users and selected trees are safe when EAB does arrive.



Tara's Tips



- Sticker shortages continue! We only have enough ATV stickers to do *new* registrations. If you want to renew an ATV you already have, you *must* do it online.
- Tax bills will be arriving soon!

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