



**GARDINER CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
GARDINER CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
FEBRUARY 18, 2026
6:00PM PUBLIC MEETING**

The public is welcome to attend. Public meetings will be live streamed at:
<https://www.gardinermaine.gov/livestream>

1. ROLL CALL / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. PUBLIC COMMENT (anything not on the Agenda) (**ALL PUBLIC COMMENT MUST BE SENT VIA EMAIL TO DBROWN@GARDINERMAINE.COM, REGULAR MAIL: 6 CHURCH STREET GARDINER ME 04345 OR CALL 207-582-4200 DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS. A REQUEST TO SPEAK IN-PERSON DURING THE MEETING WILL ALSO BE RECOGNIZED**).
3. PETITIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS PETITIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS (ALL CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THESE PUBLIC HEARINGS MUST BE SENT VIA EMAIL TO DBROWN@GARDINERMAINE.COM, REGULAR MAIL: 6 CHURCH STREET GARDINER ME 04345 OR CALL 207-582-4200 DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS)
 - a) Public Hearing regarding Gardiner Elks Lodge 1293 application for Victualers, Liquor, Game of Chance, and Catering off-premises renewals
4. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Consideration of approval of Gardiner Elks Lodge 1293 Victualers, Liquor, Game of Chance, and Catering off-premises renewals
 - b) Consideration of sending changes regarding establishing an ordinance to prohibit items within 4 feet of pavement on the roads to allow for easier maintenance to the Ordinance Review Committee
 - c) Consideration of sending ordinance changes regarding Public Water System requirements for Subdivisions Standards to the Ordinance Review Committee
 - d) Council discussion and vote on the dedication of the 2025 Annual Report
 - e) Advice and Consent to the Mayor's Appointments of Councilor Babcock and Councilor Holmes to the Budget Committee and Councilor Holmes to the Economic and Community Development Committee
 - f) Consideration of adopting the 2026 Goals Gardiner City Council
 - g) Consideration of adding meetings on May 13th and May 27th for budget discussions
 - h) Consideration of approval regarding the FY27 Library Fees for the Partner Communities

- i) Discussion from Chief Sieberg regarding proposal to add two Swing Positions
- j) Consideration of accepting the City Council meeting minutes from 2/4/26
- k) Consideration of Support and Possible Partnership for Bowdoinham's BRIC Grant Application for Merrymeeting Trail Design & Engineering

5. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS – January

6. INTERIM CITY MANAGER REPORT

7. COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE UPDATES

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(C): Regarding Real Estate Matter
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- c) Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(D): Regarding Labor Negotiations
- d) Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A): Regarding Personnel Matter

9. ADJOURN

Public Participation Expectations

- Verbally clarify for the public:
 - ✓ That their input is encouraged regardless of what others say.
 - ✓ What topics are appropriate at what times in the meeting.
 - ✓ That public input is not a time for discussion with Council members. Don't expect an immediate response.
 - ✓ Public comments should not be more than 4 minutes and should not be repetitive.
- Provide Guidelines for Speakers on the back of every Council Meeting Agenda.
- Council members should show gratitude and validation of public comments and ask clarifying questions but not respond or engage in discussion with the public during a Council Meeting.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

March 4, 2026	March 18, 2026
April 1, 2026	April 15, 2026
May 6, 2026	May 20, 2026
June 3, 2026	June 17, 2026
July 1, 2026	July 15, 2026
August 5, 2026	August 19, 2026
September 2, 2026	September 16, 2026
October 7, 2026	October 21, 2026
November 4, 2026	November 18, 2026
December 2, 2026	December 16, 2026