



The hangar in question is closest to Gate 2. Hangar next to it is also leased by Boch Jr.

PHOTO BY MATT MACDONALD

Boch cited in FAA complaint

Allegedly storing cars in hangar

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Airport Commission (NAC) convened last Wednesday, Jan. 12 at 111 Access Rd. for its regular monthly business meeting. The session ran just under 15 minutes, featured no appointments, and only a small handful of items on its agenda.

However, just prior to the Commission's vote to go into executive session, Chairman Mark Ryan announced that, earlier that day, the Town had received official notice from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) of a Part 13 complaint filed with its New England office alleging the improper use of a hangar leased by Ernie Boch Jr.

Boch is CEO of Boch Enterprises, which consists primarily of car dealerships on Norwood's Route 1

Automile; when he sold the majority of them in 2015, he retained ownership of his Ferrari and Maserati dealerships, as well as Subaru of New England. He is also one of the Town's best known residents and an area celebrity.

The informal complaint was filed with the FAA, in a letter dated Dec. 31, by Norwood resident Oulton Hues, a pilot based at the Airport. In it, he alleges that Boch is using his leased hangar to store vehicles from his dealerships, as well as his own personal cars.

Hues further states that, as a result of this lease and its use, the aviation community at the Airport is being denied access to limited hangar space, and that the hangar rental itself – which he alleges is under a 10-year, million dollar lease – will lead to an artificial inflation

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Bodenhofer will not seek re-election to School Comm.

Schools get health update

Catherine Hurley
Staff Reporter

Norwood School Committee member Myev Bodenhofer announced at the most recent meeting that she will not seek re-election this April after two terms on the committee.

“Although there's always room for improvement, I truly believe the Norwood Public Schools are in a better place than they were in 2016. There have been some challenges, and certainly some frustrations, but I'm glad that I've been able to serve on the School Committee these past six years,” she said.

The School Committee's Jan. 12 meeting, the first of the calendar year, was otherwise routine. Members voted to approve a new Norwood High School scholarship and a pay increase for teachers working during school break acceleration academies and discussed district-wide health updates.

Much of the meeting focused on the status of COVID-19 in the school district and its effect on staff, students and parents.

Norwood Public Health Director Sigalle Reiss said COVID-19 case counts in Norwood are higher than this time last year, but cases statewide dropped slightly between Jan. 10 and 12. Her key message — get vaccinated and boosted for COVID-19, avoid large indoor gatherings and take a PCR or antigen test if traveling.

Superintendent Dr. David Thomson said Norwood Public Schools are experiencing a shortage of substitute teachers. He sent an update to parents regarding the possibility of school clo-



Myev Bodenhofer

sures.

“It has been all hands on deck. People covering left and right ... The other option is closing school,” he said.

Schools must use up their remaining snow days if staff shortages lead to school closures, meaning some schools may remain open while others close at the end of the year. Remote learning days are not an option, according to Gov. Charlie Baker, and will not count towards the 180-day school year.

Seventy-two percent of Norwood High School (NHS) students and 63 percent of Coakley Middle School (CMS) students have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. The statewide school mask mandate will remain in place until at least Feb. 28, 2022.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently shortened the recommended isolation time for COVID-19 to five days if you have no symptoms.

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SEALED BIDS for school transportation for a three (3) year period, commencing September 1, 2022, and ending August 31, 2025, shall be received at the Purchasing Department, Norwood Town Hall, 566 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Norwood MA 02062, until 11:00 A.M., (Verizon time) on February 3, 2022, and at that time and place, be publicly opened and read for the furnishing of the regular education school transportation to the Norwood Public Schools.

Phone calls, telegrams, postmarks, etc., shall not be considered. Bids not submitted on original bid forms shall be deemed non-responsive. Bid submissions must be made in a sealed envelope clearly marked "NSD-22-03." The Town of Norwood assumes no liability for bids mistakenly opened due to improperly labeled envelopes and will return same to bidder without notice.

Specifications may be obtained from the Purchasing Department at the above address on or after 8:15 A.M., Monday, January 20, 2022, or electronically by registering and downloading online at: <https://bids.norwoodma.gov>. There will be a pre-bid conference on January 27, 2022, at 11 A.M., at the Office of the Superintendent, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062.

Wages are subject to minimum wage rates for motor bus operators as determined by the Director of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and apply to this contract as per M.G.L., Chapter 71, Section 7.

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The successful bidder will be required to provide a performance bond for one hundred percent (100%) of the first year contract price, to be renewed annually on the anniversary date of the award of the contract. The performance bond for the first year is to be submitted within ten (10) calendar days of the award letter.

The Town of Norwood reserves the right to reject any and all bids, in whole or in part, and to make awards in a manner deemed in the best interest of the Town as provided by M.G.L.

The Town of Norwood is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Questions can be submitted in writing to Catherine Carney of the Purchasing Department at CCarney@norwoodma.gov.

By: Karin Sheridan
Director of Finance & Operations

Norwood Record: 01/20/22

"Do I love it? Do I think it's a great idea? Nope," Jill Driscoll, NPS school nurse leader, said. "I think we're doing the best we can in a very difficult circumstance."

"Please understand this is not a district-level decision," Bodenhofer said. "It makes sense that things are evolving over time. We are not in the same position we were a year ago."

Thomson also announced that parents will be emailed when their student is a close contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case. Phone calls will no longer be made about virus exposures.

"This school district has done everything we can possibly do in an untenable situation," Thomson said.

In other business, the committee approved a Memorandum of Agreement to increase teacher pay during acceleration academies from \$33.06 to \$45 per hour after a brief discussion in executive session. Thomson said the goal of the increase is to stay competitive with pay rates in the area and keep Norwood teachers work-

ing in-district during breaks.

Thomson also recognized Callahan Elementary School Principal Donna Brown and Cleveland Elementary School Principal Nancy Coppola, who are retiring at the end of the school year.

Ernie Paciorkowski, vice chairman of the Planning Board, updated the committee on upcoming events celebrating Norwood's 150th anniversary. A banquet commemorating the town's incorporation date will be held at the Four Points by Sheraton on Feb. 23. The Skating Club of Boston will host a "Celebration on Ice" featuring its Olympic-caliber figure skaters on Feb. 26.

Paciorkowski encouraged families to attend the 6-8:30 p.m. show to watch "skaters that you're only gonna be able to see on TV." The event will also honor the 50th anniversary of the 1972 NHS boys hockey team winning the state championship.

The committee then approved the Frederick and Dora Valentine Family Memorial Scholarship, which will fund a \$1,000 scholarship each year for 15 years, beginning this June.

Committee members thanked parents, bus drivers, teachers, school nurses and

food service workers for their diligence during this stage of the pandemic.

To close the meeting, Bodenhofer announced she will leave the committee at the end of her three-year term this year, though she will remain a District 9 Town Meeting member. Bodenhofer, an electrical engineer, raised two children in the Norwood school system before winning a contested seat on the committee in 2016.

Bodenhofer said she is most proud of her work with the town budget — creating a five-year budget projection and advocating for the 2019 operational budget override, which passed with 75 percent of the vote and "broke the cycle of yearly threats of program reductions and layoffs."

Committee Chair Teresa Stewart called Bodenhofer "a leader, a friend, a colleague," and the first person she turned to for information about the School Committee.

Bodenhofer encouraged community members interested in running for the committee to reach out with questions.

"I hope that someone will step up and run for this seat on Monday, April 4," she said.

The School Committee will meet again on Jan. 26 at 7 p.m.

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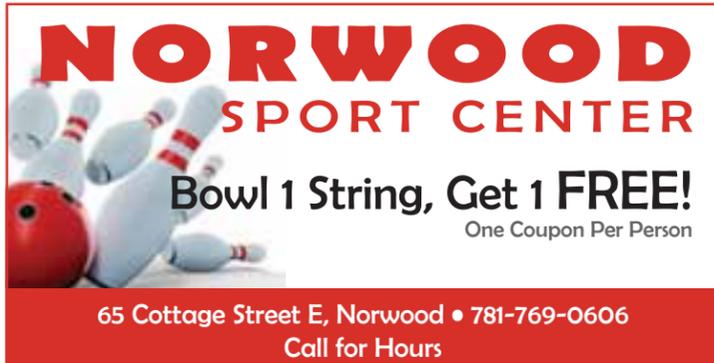


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Morse House, UAVE, concerts and need for electeds top Selectmen's meeting

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Town Manager Tony Mazzucco informed the Board that the next Special Town Meeting will be held on March 14 at a location to be determined. The Board was conflicted whether to hold the meeting at the Norwood High School Auditorium or at the aging Coakley Middle School. The Coakley's rebuild plan—coming in at \$105 million—will be the main subject of the meeting and so some members felt that the Coakley may be the better venue, so as to show off the problems at the school.

No consensus was reached on the location during the meeting so a location has not been officially nailed down as of the date of publication. The warrant on that Town Meeting will close to new changes on Feb. 1.

Also discussed was that there are going to be many open positions up for grabs come April on various Town Boards and Commissions. Finance Commission Member Robert Donnelly will be resigning come April and his seat will be up for election along with two other Finance Commission seats, two Board of Selectmen seats, a School Committee seat and the Town Moderator position.

Selectman Bill Plasko pointed out that there will be many Town Meeting member seats open as well, and Mazzucco used that opportunity to bring up the fact that because of the Town Charter, Norwood is required to create 50 more Town Meeting seats to reflect the number of registered voters. He had said in the past this might be a problem for getting a quorum at Town Meeting. At least one meeting in recent years (before COVID-19) had to be postponed the night of because a quorum of half the membership could not be reached.

The Board voted unanimously to direct Mazzucco to form a committee to look into changing the required number of Town Meeting members. The Board will discuss it at their next meeting. Selectmen Chair Thomas Maloney also brought up a related issue concerning write-in candidates. Currently, a write-in candidate can win an uncontested election with just one vote, whereas someone running for office needs 10 signatures just to get on the ballot. Mazzucco said this is an is-

sue Town Clerk Mary Lou Folan has wanted to address for some time, and he said it can sometimes lead to residents writing themselves in for a Town Meeting member position not knowing what that entails and then never coming to Town Meeting to participate. Plasko pointed out, however, that it's not just the write-ins that have been known to do this.

"As a counter to that, there are people who get the signatures and get elected and still don't show up," he said.

Mazzucco said they are considering requiring at least 10 write-in votes to be an official candidate.

The last day to pick up nomination papers and the required signatures is Feb. 14.

In other news, the Board voted to continue a hearing regarding public safety at the quarry at 973 University Ave., operated by Joseph Federico and UAVE LLC. The issue was that there's a huge cliff in the quarry and no fence to protect any public resident who might wander onto the property. Plasko said there is now a fence but said he felt it was too temporary and would like to see a more permanent installation, especially since the plan is to someday fill in the quarry and develop the property.

The Board also voted to approve the formation of the George Morse House Committee, at least in part, which will look at the usage of the Town-owned building on Washington Street in South Norwood and try to figure out what to do with it. Plasko will be representing the Board, Mazzucco will also be on the committee and Toni Eosco will represent the Historical Commission. Maloney said there was interest from residents Gerry Slater and Steve Keefe.

"Why don't we have more historical people on there?" Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue asked. "Most of the people on there are people who don't have anything to do with the historical aspects."

Maloney said that for one thing, they agreed to this formula back in November and further commented that he didn't see the value of adding more "historical people, whatever that term is supposed to mean."

"We understand how certain people feel about the historical nature of the home, that's a mat-

ter of conversation we can agree or disagree on," he said. "The question here is we spent \$50,000 on a study for somebody to come and tell us how much it cost to renovate the home and my point back in November was what practical use can that house be put to if we spend this money, and that's why I want people who've worked with property before, We have an asset and we want to know what we should do with it and is it worth it to renovate it and spend the money?"

Donohue said she felt the importance of the building was being undercut, and that the report said the building needed a lot of work when it was being used "beautifully" for 20 years before the Town decided to scale back its usage by local residents as a meeting place.

"And it didn't cost the Town a cent; all of the work that was done to the building was donated," she said. "Is one person from the Historical Commission enough on a five-member committee?"

"Yes," Maloney replied. "One person is more than enough from the Historical Commission, absolutely. The history of the Morse House is well-known to all of us. We had the Historical Commission in here six weeks ago to discuss it. They did so very eloquently I thought, but we are faced with the question of what do we do with the property?"

Abdallah-Donohue asked that recent usage of the building be considered by the committee and Maloney agreed.

"We have been using it for 20 years until the Town took it over, and now it's used for maybe one-fifth of what it was used for,"

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Whacky addition problem has local roots

About a decade ago I was privileged to be invited to a lunchtime math presentation at Boston College by Roslindale math genius, the late Paul Sally, a professor from the University of Chicago, whose forte was instructing teachers better ways to teach math. I was the least well-versed in math in the room to be attending such a lecture: I was a mere arithmetic teacher teaching middle-school math. I consciously use the term “arithmetic teacher” because, to me, a mathematics teacher teaches trigonometry, logarithms, statistics, and calculus - way beyond the quadratic formula.

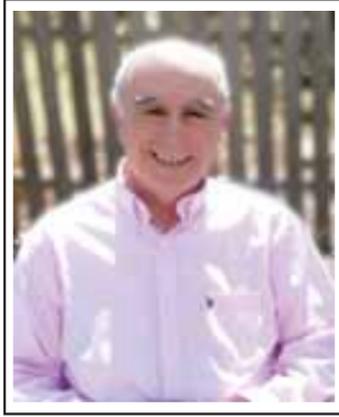
I accidentally arrived early at the lecture hall - actually it was a BC classroom - and got to converse with the personable Sally, who had been a basketball star at my alma mater, BC High, from which he graduated in 1950. At the time he was fighting blindness (he wore a pirate’s patch over one eye) and amputation, both resulting from diabetes. Reminded of BC High’s membership in the old Boston City League (no separation of church and state then), the Ph.D. from Brandeis delighted in telling me hoop stories about his competing against English, Latin, Tech, Trade, and other city schools.

As others - many from the lofty halls of BC academia and suburban high schools—traipsed into the classroom on the Heights, they eyed the two of us somewhat suspiciously as he recounted the “old days.”

Regrettably, the clock struck 12 or whatever and it was time for his lecture to begin. He had assured me that the discussion was not going to be over my head intellectually: he wanted to focus on the teaching of math in middle and high schools.

The problem that he posed to the 30 of us or so is the one laid out here. It involves nothing but simple addition—NO ALGEBRA INVOLVED. How could any problem like this be hard? Was I wrong! None of us could solve it but maybe your child can.

Consider a dead-end street on which all the houses are consecutively numbered on the same side. The first house is #1, the second house #2, the third #3, and so on (with no fractions/decimals/



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odd-even differing sides). What house do you live in, if after you come out your front door, all the houses on your left add up to the same number that equals the sum of all the houses on your right? Thus there are two answers to be given: at what numbered house do you live and how many houses altogether are on the street?

[OK, OK, the numbers of the first two houses are #0 and #1, but let’s get to the meatier, non-zero, and non-one answers.] Here is the first “real” pair of answers: you live in house #6 and there are only 8 houses on your street: $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 = 7 + 8$ ($15 = 15$).

A son-in-law, who as an engineer works for a large company, devised some sort of an algorithm, ran it through the firm’s giant computer, and printed a mere 6 pages of single space, in which the last answer on page 6 was house #1,515,549,370 on a street, the last number of which was 2,143,310,473. But, dear reader, if I can quote from the Mission Impossible TV show that ran from 1968-1973 and then from 1988-1990, “your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to” merely pick which two numbers, both under 50, that satisfy both parts of the question before the next answers jump up to #204 and 288 houses altogether on the street. Something to keep kids as young as 4th graders occupied during snow days during their “I’m bored” periods. Give them a \$5 calculator and lots of paper.

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December Real Estate Activity in Norfolk County

Norfolk County Register of Deeds William P. O’Donnell reported that December real estate numbers relative to Norfolk County real estate activity were down, but there were a few aspects of the real estate activity to be hopeful about.

“The Norfolk County real estate market” noted Register O’Donnell, “has continued to slow entering into the winter months. There were 14,794 documents recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds a 24% decrease over last year’s December document volume but slightly more than last month.”

“The number of deeds which evidence real estate sales and transfers, both commercial and residential, decreased by 17% in December. However, the average sales price during the month was \$1,501,882, an impressive 43% increase compared to December 2021. Total dollar volume of commercial and residential sales also showed solid gains, increasing 19% to over \$1.5 billion,” noted the Register.

Despite the deeds figure holding its own, overall lending activity showed a decrease again for the month of December. A total of 2,972 mortgages were recorded during the month, a 40% decrease compared to December 2020. “It appears that many consumers have already refinanced given the past low interest rate environment,” noted O’Donnell.

One continuing cause for concern, however in Norfolk County, was foreclosures. A moratorium on foreclosures enacted on April 20, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic expired on October 17, 2020. The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds has been closely watching the foreclosure market. During December 2021 there were 7 foreclosure deeds recorded as a result of foreclosure processes taking place in Norfolk County. In addition, there were 19 Notices to Foreclosure Mortgages, the first step in the foreclosure process, recorded here in Norfolk County in December 2021. In December 2020 there



Register of Deeds William O'Donnell

were 3 Foreclosure Deeds and 16 Notices to Foreclosure Mortgages filed. “These numbers remind us that some of our neighbors continue to face financial challenges,” said O’Donnell. “We will continue to monitor these numbers.”

For the past several years, the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds has partnered with Quincy Community Action Programs, 617-479-8181 x376, and NeighborWorks Housing Solutions, 508-587-0950 to help anyone facing challenges paying their mortgage. Another option for homeowners is to contact the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Consumer Advocacy and Response Division (CARD) at 617-727-8400. Register O’Donnell stated, “If you are having difficulty paying your monthly mortgage, please consider contacting one of these non-profit agencies for help and guidance.”

Homestead recordings by owners of homes and condominiums decreased this year at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in October. There was a 15% decrease in homestead recordings in December 2021 compared to December 2020. “A recorded Declaration Homestead,” noted O’Donnell, “provides limited protection against the forced sale of an individual’s primary residence to satisfy unsecured debt up to \$500,000. It is great to see folks protecting the biggest asset most of us have, our homes.

I would urge anyone who has not availed themselves of this important consumer protection tool to consider doing so. Please visit the Registry website at www.norfolkdeeds.org to get more information on homestead protection.”

Register O’Donnell concluded, “Without question December was a mixed bag month for real estate activity in Norfolk County. Available real estate inventory continues to be a source of concern in Norfolk County. It’s especially a problem for first-time homebuyers attempting to crack the market. Also, things may be slowing down compared to past real estate indicators. The Registry of Deeds was operational every work day during the pandemic. The Registry of Deeds continues to be open to the public for business, however that is being evaluated as the COVID-19 developments unfold. The drop-off box located at the main entrance of the Registry Building will continue to be available for use by those members of the public who may not be comfortable entering the Registry of Deeds Building. The volume of documents recorded electronically for many of our institutional users continues to increase. We are also receiving documents in person, via regular mail, Federal Express, UPS and from our drop-off box located just outside our main entrance at 649 High Street, Dedham, MA.”

To learn more about these and other Registry of Deeds events and initiatives, like us at facebook.com/NorfolkDeeds or follow us on twitter.com/NorfolkDeeds and Instagram.com/NorfolkDeeds.

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Abdallah-Donohue said. “Clubs used it, educational purposes used it, charities used it, we had art shows, flower shows, we had lots of things there. First you curtail activities there and then you say it’s not getting used.”

Lastly, Concerts Committee Co-Chair Paul Eysie said the com-

mittee has a special announcement. He said the Concert Committee and the Norwood 150th Committee have been negotiating with the Boston Pops, and the band will more than likely be coming to the Summer Concert Series to perform this year. He said it hasn’t been finalized yet,

but it’s looking good for the Town.

He said the 2022 Winter Concert Series will be returning every Sunday in February. He said Feb. 6 will have the Roy Scott Big Band, the Randolph Community Band on Feb. 13, the Tom Nutile Band performs on Feb. 20, and Feb. 27 will see Dan Gable and the Abletones. All concerts start at 2 p.m.



The fee would help pay for repair work like what happened at this bridge on Washington Street separating Swedeville and the Flats.

COURTESY PHOTO

Stormwater fee structure shaping up

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Ad-Hoc Norwood Stormwater Bylaw Committee met on Jan. 14 and discussed with CDM consultant Joe Ridge ideas for the formation of a fee structure to fund stormwater maintenance and operations in the Town.

The bylaw itself will be in front of Town Meeting either in March or May of this year. Ridge said the Town would have to do certain things to enact a Stormwater Bylaw governing how stormwater is dealt with in the Town and be eligible for what is called a General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems, more commonly called an MS4 permit. He said this was taken into consideration when they developed an estimated budget for stormwater operations.

“When we developed budget estimates, we identified a number of things that would be needed to come into compliance with MS4,” he said. “(Department of Public Works Director) Mark (Ryan) had suggested to build in a Stormwater Coordinator position with an average salary and benefits cost impact of \$100,000 – we’ve assumed that that would get added in the middle of Fiscal Year 2023 – and so there’s a half-year fiscal impact in 2023 and full impact in 2024.”

The estimated budget includes what the Town currently spends on drain maintenance, around \$65,000 a year (increasing to \$71,000 in fiscal year 2027). Starting in 2024 – so as to present a full year’s worth of services, Ridge estimated \$125,934 for catch basin cleaning, \$58,366 for street sweep-

ing and \$540,794 for stormwater and drain management staff totaling a full annual potential cost of \$790,396 a year. This would also include one capital project to Meadow Brook the Town identified in previous years.

Ridge added that the staff would have responsibilities for compliance with MS4 regulations, public education and outreach on the importance of stormwater management as well as the creation of an annual report detailing actions and vehicle usage.

The fee structure, based on his estimated budget, would work out to be around \$4.95 a month in 2024, and increasing to \$5.75 a month in 2027 for the average single-family home in Norwood. He said this number is arrived at by taking the total estimated amount of money necessary for the stormwater management department and dividing it by the total number of billable units in the Town, in this case quantified as Equivalent Residential Units (ERU). The ERUs are calculated as the average amount of land and stormwater runoff for the average single-family property in Town.

“When I first started doing this 25 years ago we used to hire college co-ops to go out and measure properties for the summer, but now we can do it with GIS and automate almost the entire process,” he said. “Frequently, single-family or all residential properties are charged a flat fee based on that ERU calculation of X dollars a month, and then everybody else, the non-residential properties, will pay based on their pro-rated size relative to that base ERU billing unit.”

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St. Jude’s Novena

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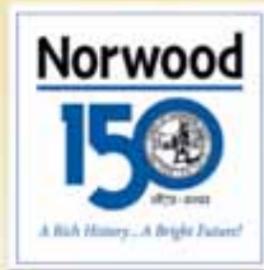


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Middle School project passes another hurdle

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Middle School Building Committee (MSBC) met on Jan. 10 and discussed next steps for the reconstruction of the Coakley Middle School

Compass Project Management representative Chin Lin discussed the current timeline for the building as well as the most recent correspondence with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) and the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

“We have submitted the schematic design on Dec. 28 to MSBA, and we already received the cursory review from them the very next day,” Lin said. “We also confirmed that the DESE pack-

age has been forwarded through MSBA on Jan. 5 and we anticipate to have the full MSBA review of the (schematic design).”

After that, Lin said there will be review of the project budget by the MSBA, followed by a transition meeting.

“The transition meeting basically transitions the project from the feasibility study phase to the design phase,” Lin said. “What that means is once you’re at this phase, basically the staff of the MSBA will be recommending to move this project forward to the MSBA Board.”

Lin said that if all goes well, a vote of approval is possible from the MSBA Board on March 2, 2022.

“Following that there will be

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in rates, and to the potential influx of local car dealerships seeking storage space.

In his complaint, Hues also notes aircraft operation safety concerns raised by this increased automotive traffic in the Airport by those not vetted and approved for entry, and the potential for criminal activity presented by the onsite storage of high end vehicles.

The hangar at the center of the complaint is subleased to Boch by FlightLevel Norwood (FLN), one of the two fixed base operators (FBO’s) now doing business at the Airport.

“We take this serious,” Ryan said, after quoting from and paraphrasing Hues’ complaint. “We don’t approve of this, and Russ [Airport Manager Russ Maguire] has already proceeded with an investigation, and the results will become public when a response is submitted within 30 days, per the FAA letter received today.”

Vice Chairman Michael Sheehan, agreeing with Ryan, asked if Boch had received a copy of the complaint. Airport counsel Mina Makarios – participating via phone – could not confirm this, but said that they could share a copy with him. “The Airport’s obligation, at this point, is to investigate the allegations to see if they’re true,” he explained. “And so, if it aids in doing that, certainly there would be no reason not to provide the document.”

According to the FAA, once a Part 13 informal complaint has been filed, it conducts an initial review, after which the airport sponsor (the Town) is notified and asked to respond to each

allegation in writing within 15-30 days from the date of the complaint letter. The FAA regional office then reviews the response, and may undertake further investigation.

Ryan – speaking after the meeting’s executive session had adjourned – commented on the Airport’s investigation, and what Maguire would be submitting to the FAA:

“Russ is going to have to investigate the hangar – which he already has – and its contents. That will be part of the report. He has the lease, and it spells out clearly that it’s only for aviation activities, so that will be part of the report to the FAA.” Ryan then went a little further. “My guess is, if there’s something there, the FAA wants to know what’s going to be done about it, not on our part of it, but on Mr. Boch’s part of it.”

He added that Maguire would work with the Town’s attorneys to prepare the response.

Hues was one of a handful of people at the meeting. Afterwards, he also commented on his complaint. “I keep an airplane here and there’s a shortage of hangars. It’s just driving my hangar cost up,” he said of his motivation behind its filing. “For a little airplane, they want 1500 bucks a month.” When asked how he became aware of the alleged violation, he responded, “It’s just a small airport. It goes around in a circle.”

Attempts to reach Ernie Boch Jr. for comment were unsuccessful.

In other Airport compliance news, the meeting’s correspondence included the Town’s Dec. 20 response to an open meeting

law complaint filed against the NAC on Dec. 7 by Christopher Donovan, president of Boston Executive Helicopters. BEH is the Airport’s other FBO, and is in ongoing litigation with the Town and the NAC.

The response, signed by Town Counsel Karis North and sent to the Attorney General’s Division of Open Government, came about after a Dec. 17 NAC executive session vote. In addition to raising several procedural objections to Donovan’s complaint, North substantively objected to his claim that, on Nov. 8, a public meeting had taken place at the Airport between members of the NAC, FLN ownership, U.S. Representative Stephen Lynch, State Senator Michael Rush, and State Representative John Rogers.

Acknowledging a Nov. 8 “event” including Ryan, Maguire, Lynch, “various State elected officials, some Norwood employees, and certain private citizens,” North put forward that no public meeting had taken place because there had been no NAC quorum present, and therefore no deliberation on its part. She further stated that Donovan had provided no proof in support of his claims, and requested that the Division either decline any action in response to the complaint, or find that no violation of the open meeting law had occurred.

The NAC typically meets at 4 p.m. on the middle Wednesday of the month in the Welch Administration Building, which is located at the top of the hill at the Airport.

For further information, visit the Town website.

Fire at Moderna



The Norwood Fire Department reported a fire on Wednesday at the Moderna Building on Investors Way. The fire was located on the roof, and Walpole and Westwood were called in to help. The department reported knocking down most of the fire relatively early and then reported the fire out about an hour after arrival.

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Town Meeting Members Needed

The Norwood Town Clerk’s Office wishes to inform the residents of Norwood that as a result of Re-Districting in the Town there are vacancies for the office of Town Meeting Members in all Nine Town Meeting Districts.

The number of Town Meeting Members has increased to a total of 297 Members. Therefore there are 33 Vacancies in each Town Meeting District for the upcoming Annual Town Election to be held on Monday, April 4, 2022.

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- District 3: 33 Seats District 4: 33 Seats
- District 5: 33 Seats District 6: 33 Seats
- District 7: 33 Seats District 8: 33 Seats
- District 9: 33 Seats

Any current Town Meeting Member who did not file the required “intent to seek re-election form” with the office of the Town Clerk must do so by Monday, February 14, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

Anyone else interested in running for the office of Town Meeting Member must file nomination papers signed by at least ten (10) registered voters in their District. Last day for filing with the Board of Registrars is Monday, February 14, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

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Residents want to keep pool at Father Mac's

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Recreation Department held its second community pool forum on Jan. 18 in a virtual format.

The second meeting was much like the first, with Kuth Ranieri Architects Bryan Kuth and Rob Marcalow reviewing their company's assessment of the Hawes Pool and Father MacAlee Pool (for The Record's coverage of that meeting and the ideas presented, go to <https://bit.ly/3qFzNuj>).

Basically, both pools need new pumping equipment, new linings (or shells as Kuth and Marcalow put it), accessible ramps or equipment and Hawes needs new coping (the material around the edge of the top of the pool).

For Hawes, the suggested renovation – which included the repairs listed above that were deemed essential – included a ramped pool access, a new wading pool, a revamped splash pad, an expanded pool deck, new shaded areas and a reorganized entry. Recreation Department Superintendent Travis Farley said whatever the Town decides on the pools, the Hawes would most likely be the first to receive any renovations as it is currently leaking around 10,000

gallons of water a day, refilling it is costing money.

For Father Mac's, the story was a bit different. Mac's Pool, Marcalow said, was so far gone that it allowed the Town to think outside the box, at least in their view. He said they could renovate the pool and add a splash pad (\$5 million to \$7 million, convert the pool into a splash pad that could be used as an ice rink in the winter (\$4.2 million), an aquatic recreation center with slides and a lazy river (\$7 million) or a new indoor aquatic facility (\$12 million). The full renovation of the existing pool would come in at \$4 million to \$6 million, and would include expanded parking, accessible entry, a full replacement of the pool, bathhouse, and pump room, an expanded pool deck and new shaded areas.

Marcalow added they are also recommending that to reduce traffic on Vernon and Hawthorne streets, they would be moving vehicular access through the Savage Center.

Residents at the meeting made it clear they want to keep the pool.

"We've lived in the neighborhood for 25 years and we really enjoyed having a pool, not just for kids but for adults," said resident Kelly Farewell. "So the option where it ends up being a splash park and an ice rink is

not as necessarily helpful for those of us who don't have little kids anymore."

Farewell's husband Joe said he agreed, and felt the renovated pool with the splash pad was the best option.

"It's not a tremendously expensive option, but obviously we're going to have to spend some money to do this," he said. "I really recommend if we could keep the second pool here at Father Mac's and just really improve things a bit with the splash pad I think that would be the way to go."

Cathy Barnicle said she liked a lot of the options, especially the indoor pool. She added that she didn't feel switching traffic to the Savage Center would be an improvement.

"But price-wise that really seems like a lot," she said. The indoor option was for \$12 million. "I really like the option of having a pool in this neighborhood. We live on Hawthorne, and so we see the traffic down here and have people parking on our lawns and stuff, but I don't know that will be any different because they're still going to park over here."

Farley said the Town is conducting a survey to get residents' input on what they should do with both pools. Go to <https://s.surveypalnet.com/ec3ini3c> to respond.

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Ridge said since this is a directly-linked service – like trash or school buses – the fee for residents has to be directly linked to the service it provides, hence all the specific calculations. He said in Norwood, there are 5,800 single-family billable units, 900 ERU residential condos, 2,200 units of other residential, 4,100 units of commercial, 1,100 units of industrial, 1,000 Town-owned units (Town-owned buildings have to pay too, but out of the general budget) and 900 non-Town exempt buildings for a total of 16,300 billable units.

"I've never had to worry about what happens on the inside of the Town to figure out how they share the burden over various departments, but it is a general fund transfer out to the utility in order to preserve the fee as a fee and not a tax," Ridge said.

Member Gerry Hopcroft asked if municipal streets were included in the calculation, and Ridge said they were not, but drive-ways and parking lots were.

"Private roads are also generally not included, but the one exception that happens frequently is the internal roads within an office park or a mobile home park, that kind of thing," he said. "Then it becomes a policy decision as to whether state or federal roads are included in the amounts being allocated to state and federal government. Some places, we have done state roads, like the interstates and things like that. In other places, we started the process and the state wasn't happy and negotiations took place and the state roads were removed."

Ridge added that there have been several instances where the state did pay the fees.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
NORWOOD COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

In accordance with the requirements of Norwood Local Bylaw Article 47 Section 2.1, the Community Preservation Committee will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 5:30 P.M. at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA02062. This meeting will be held in a hybrid format where Committee members and the public may choose to attend in-person or remotely using GoToMeeting on a computer, tablet or smart phone at: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/717889901> or by dialing in at (872) 240-3412, Access Code: 717-889-901.

This public hearing is the second of two hearings to accept questions and comments on applications for CPA funding. The proposed projects under consideration at this hearing include: funding for affordable housing deed restrictions; funding one-year participation in a regional housing services organization; restoration and preservation of historic Annual Town Reports; and restoration and preservation of an historic Town Hall rendering. Any questions or concerns can be directed to the Planning Department at Town Hall during normal business hours.

Patricia Griffin Starr
Chairman

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Deaths

GONSER



DORMA J. (Ambrose) of Westwood passed away on January 12, 2022 at the age of 88. Wife of the late Carl W. Gonsler. Devoted mother of Karl W. Gonsler and his wife Rossana of Walpole and Douglas W. Gonsler and his wife Loren of Medfield. Sister of Richard Wesson of Rockland, Susan Studeny of Raynham, Deborah Hadlock of Douglas and the late Michael, Billy and Jimmy. Cherished grandmother of Ainsley, Mitchell, Tianna, Colby, Gianluca and Brett. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Daughter of the late William and Gladys (Wesson) Ambrose. Dorma retired from Westwood Public Schools Special Education Department after 30 years. Dorma was a member of the Irish Social Club in West Roxbury where she loved to dance. She enjoyed traveling all over and especially cherished her trips to Ireland. Her family meant the world to her and she embraced all of the birthdays, holidays and time spent with them. Dorma adored her six grandchildren and would often say they each held a special place in her heart. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home,

Norwood, MA. A funeral mass was held on Saturday, January 15, 2022 10am at St. Timothy Parish 650 Nichols St. Norwood, MA. Burial followed at New Westwood Cemetery, Westwood, MA.

HAYES



Harriet Irene (Greenlaw), a lifelong resident of Norwood, passed away on January 13, 2022 at the age of 83. Beloved wife of Dennis J. Hayes. Devoted mother of Susan M. DiFlaminies and her husband Steven of Mansfield, Dennis E. Hayes and his wife Anne C. of Norfolk, and David T. Hayes and his wife Dianne M. of Norwood. Sister of Maryann Cunningham of Norwood and Harry Greenlaw and his wife Ann of Walpole. Cherished grandmother of Corey, Jonathan, Taylor, Olivia, Abby, Sammy, Nichole and David. Great grandmother of Avery, Timothy and Samuel. Daughter of the late Harry and Anne (O'Malley) Greenlaw. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Harriet was a 1955

graduate of Norwood High School. She dedicated her life to motherhood and was the foundation of her family. She always knew the right thing to say and her home was always filled with warmth and kindness. She took great pride in her children's and grandchildren's accomplishments. She rarely missed one of her grandchildren's sporting events. Though Harriet's health was failing, her joy for life and spirit kept her pushing through the pain. We will miss her dearly. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, Thursday January 20, 2022 at 10am followed by a funeral mass at 11am at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood, Mass can be viewed live at www.Stcatherinenorwood.org. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Circle of Hope Foundation P.O. Box 421, Norwood, MA 02062. www.norwoodcoh.org

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Obituary Policy

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Russell Gloor
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Morrill Library News

MYSTERY AUTHORS IN CONVERSATION

Start off the New Year with a virtual visit from two favorite authors and the Morrill Memorial Library. On Monday, January 24 at 7:00 pm, join Hank Phillippi Ryan in conversation with Alafair Burke via Zoom.

About Alafair Burke: Alafair Burke is the New York Times, Edgar Award nominated author of twenty crime novels. Published in more than twenty languages, her books have been featured on “Best Book” lists from the Today Show, Entertainment Weekly, People, O (Oprah Magazine), The Boston Globe, Washington Post, Sun Sentinel, Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and numerous other outlets. She has been called “a genius for plot” and “one of our greatest contemporary mystery writers.” She is the current President of Mystery Writers of America and the first woman of color to be elected to that position. In addition to her own work, Alafair also co-authored the “Under Suspicion” series with Queen of Suspense Mary Higgins Clark. Her latest novel, Find Me, will be released in mid-January 2022.

About Hank Phillippi Ryan: Hank Phillippi Ryan is the USA Today bestselling author of 13 thrillers, winning the most prestigious awards in the genre: five Agathas, four Anthonys, and the coveted Mary Higgins Clark Award. She is also on-air investigative reporter for Boston’s WHDH-TV, with 37 EMMYS and dozens more journalism honors. Book critics call her “a master of suspense,” “a superb and gifted storyteller,” and she’s the only author to have won the Agatha in four different categories: Best First, Best Novel, Best Short Story and Best Non-Fiction. Her 2019 standalone, The Murder List, won the Anthony Award for Best Novel. Her latest novel, Her Perfect Life, was released Fall 2021 and received starred reviews from Kirkus Reviews and Publishers Weekly, which called it “A superlative thriller.”

This event is hosted in collaboration with Haley Booksellers and Massachusetts Public Libraries. Signed copies of both Burke’s and Ryan’s latest books will be available for sale before and during the event from our bookstore partner, Haley Booksellers.

Registration is required. Please register on our online events calendar, norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2. Zoom access details will be sent in a reminder email prior to the program.

PROTECTING NORWOOD’S RIVERS AND STREAMS

Join the Morrill Memorial Library for another Winter ’22 Sustainability Series event on Thursday, February 10, at 7:00 pm on Zoom, with Kerry Snyder, Advocacy Director for Neponset River Watershed Association, and Holly Jones, Conservation Planner for the Town of Norwood, talking about local laws related to the protection of Norwood’s rivers and streams.

When water runs over pavement instead of soaking in, it picks up pollution and it picks up speed. For Norwood, that means stressed waterways and worse flooding. A new Bylaw is proposed this spring to manage the impact of new development and connections to the town’s stormwater pipes and reduce the pollution entering our streams. Kerry Snyder and Holly Jones will explain what the proposed law does and why we need it.

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LAFRAZIA

CATHERINE (Mulkern) of Norwood passed away suddenly on January 6, 2022 at the age of 58. Daughter of the late Michael and Mary (McDonagh) Mulkern. Loving sister of Eileen Zoppo and her husband Robert of NH, Patricia Morris and her husband Louis of ME, Michael Mulkern and Bethanne Knowles of Milford, Theresa E. Mulkern of Norwood, Nancy Dittmeier and her husband Ted of Norwood, Kevin Mulkern and Keri Jewkes of Mansfield, Christine “Tina” Long and Chuck of Norwood and the late John J. Mulkern and Mary Ann Vignaux. Sister in law of Johanne Mulkern of Norwood and Rick Vignaux of TX. A funeral home service was held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 10:45am. Burial immediately followed at Highland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation.

ROBINSON



NANCY A. (Basilici) of N. Attleboro, formerly of Walpole passed away on January 12, 2022 at the age of 75. Beloved wife of Steven W. Robinson. Devoted mother of Craig J.

Ferris of Idaho and Corey S. Robinson of Attleboro. Daughter of the late James A. and Ann M. (Arbarchuk) Basilici. Nancy was a member of the Hockomock YMCA in North Attleboro where she enjoyed partaking in exercise class and yoga. She also cherished time spent with her many friends and family members. Traveling, spending time at the beach on the Cape, and fine dining were also enjoyable pursuits that Nancy loved. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. Burial at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the May Institute 41 Pacella Park Drive Randolph, MA 02368 www.mayinstitute.org/giving

SAMPSON

PAUL J. of Norwood passed away on January 11, 2022 at the age of 93. Beloved husband of the late Theresa Marie (Bradley) Sampson. Devoted father of Paul S. Sampson of Danvers, Donna M. Sampson and her husband Ron Yankum of Norwood, Marie Sampson and Ann of Norton, Richard J. Sampson of Norwood, Stephen Sampson and his wife Susan of Attleboro and Joseph Sampson of Canton. Brother of the late Charles Sampson. Cherished grandfather of 9 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Son of the late Charles and Catherine (Richard) Sampson. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Paul was a former coach of the Norwood Little League. He was also a former CCD Teacher at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood and was a former Norwood Town Meeting Member. He enjoyed Golf, Sports and Politics. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. A funeral mass was held on Friday, January 14, 2022 11am at St. Catherine of

Siena Church, Norwood. Burial followed at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105-9959 www.stjude.org Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home www.KRAW-KORNACKFUNERALHOME.COM FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED 781-762-0482.

SHAUGHNESSY

Sarah B. (Faherty) of Norwood, formerly of Allston, passed away peacefully on January 8, 2022. Sarah was the most loving, selfless and wonderful woman to all that knew her. Sarah was born in Galway, Ireland, in 1938, the daughter of Maura (McDonagh) Faherty and Coleman Faherty. She was forever a Galway Girl. Sarah was the beloved wife of the late William Shaughnessy; loving mother of William and his wife Catherine of HI, Linda Shaughnessy Rios and her partner Thomas Collins of Norfolk, Joseph and his wife Rosemary of Sturbridge, and Christine McVinney and her husband Stephen of Norwood. Cherished grandmother of Laurie and her husband Kyle, Joseph and his wife Devin, Meghan and her husband Kevin, Rachel and her husband Timothy, Natalie and her husband Edward, Michael and John. Proud great-grandmother of Sydney, McKinley, Caroline, Ellie, Isla and Jack; and Nanny Sally to many others. She leaves behind many wonderful family and friends who she loved dearly. Funeral from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., NORWOOD. Burial at St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury, MA, was private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Sarah’s name can be made to Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood, MA 02062. GilloolyFuneralHome.com

Ask The Doctor

Junior Damato began servicing vehicles in 1969. He owns an 8-bay center in Middleboro, MA. Junior is an ASE-certified Master Technician, ASE-certified L-1 and ASE-certified Natural Gas.

Cars and SUVs for all seasons

I have been driving a new press vehicle each week for the last 35 years. In the old days it was always a GM, Ford, or Dodge vehicle. Seldom there was a variety of import name plates.

Time has changed the old days for ever. In the last 2 months I have been driving KIA and Hyundai cars and SUVs. In the beginning neither brand was good. Today’s KIA and Hyundai cars and SUVs have high quality throughout. It’s simple build a quality vehicle that Americans want, fill the needs and you get products that Americans will buy. The one thing I did notice about both KIA and Hyundai is that they build their models with all popular features like heated seats and steering wheel some with remote start units and all the driver safety features. Interior fabric leather, power seats all are a big plus. The warranty is the best in the business. I spent a week in both the full electric and 3 Hybrid models and all were great to drive. I even tried the remote parking feature from the key fob, it does work, the SUV does when the button is pushed.

Junior Damato, the “Auto Doctor,” has agreed to field auto repair questions from Bulletin and Record readers. Please send your questions to news@bulletinnewspapers.com and we will do our best to get them answered.

Monday, January 10

0805 Initiated - Road Hazard State Dpw/Norwood Dpw Notified Location/Address: Oldham School Footpath - Nahatan St Traffic Supervisor reports the crosswalk's white lines are icy.

0810 Phone - Found Syringe Services Rendered Location/Address: MBTA Bus Stop - Washington St DPW reports syringe under bus canopy. N674 retrieves and disposed of.

0847 Phone - Road Hazard State Dpw/Norwood Dpw Notified Location/Address: St Catherine Of Sienna School - Nahatan St Westwood Police officer, on a private detail, requests DPW to sand St.Catherine's parking lot near the Railroad Ave entrance.

0849 911 - Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Endicott St Caller states he hears yelling and banging in neighbor's apartment. N662 reports that party was upset about a phone call he received and is OK.

1050 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: CCS National Llc- Credit Collection Services - Canton St Caller reports ongoing issue with skate boarders on property. N666 spoke to caller and left a note in DHQ for extra patrols of the area.

1136 Walk-In - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: St John Ave Party seeking advice about a tenant issue. N677 spoke to party and advised.

1237 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Hillside Ave Daughter concerned about Mom who has been ill and not picking up when she calls. Officers report the phone was misplaced. Daughter is on her way home now.

1433 Initiated - Citizens Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Callahan School (Acct# 1380d) - Garfield Ave Principal calls S.L.O directly and reports a parent may show up at dismissal and become disruptive. N663 reports either they did not show or saw police and remained calm.

1450 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Coakley Middle School (Acct# 1378d) - Washington St 1454 911 - Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Railroad Ave Caller reports neighbor, mother and daughter, yelling and screaming. N664 spoke to resident and it is a verbal argument.

1530 Phone - Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: School St + Railroad Ave Caller reports dog barking for over an hour. N.A.C.O notified.

1710 Initiated - Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: Pizza Palace - Washington St Unwanted party loitering outside of business. N674 states individual is going to bus stop.

1748 Phone - Susp Person Ser-

vices Rendered Location/Address: Upland Rd + Prospect St Caller concerned for a party standing on a sidewalk holding a rug over their head. Officer made contact, party checked OK. N666 provided a courtesy transport to MBTA bus stop near Everett Street.

2348 911 - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Lansdowne Way Upstairs neighbor being noisy.

Tuesday, January 11

0931 Phone - Assist Citizen Report Filed Holbrook PD reports a missing teen from DCF custody could be in the area. She is with her Mom and that phone pings to that area. Officers stop MA 3JTM44 and the daughter located inside at the Residence INN. N674 transports her back for DCF custody. Missing CJIS locate send to Holbrook.

1224 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Short St Advice given and services suggested for her adult son's possible substance abuse problem.

1527 Phone - Lost And Found *Report Filed Location/Address: Centennial Dr Caller reports a lost firearm.

1535 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Power Ln MBTA bus struck mailbox earlier today. Resident will contact them.

1833 911 - Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Dean St Caller reports her tenant is out of control. N678 reports all parties spoken to and advised, they will be separated for the night.

1908 Phone - Animal Complaint *Report Filed Location/Address: Neponset St Caller reports a dog barking for the last few hours. N663 reports the homeowners are away and the dog has a shed it can come and go out of. NACO notified. N663 also reports there is a space heater in the shed and maybe be a fire hazard. FD notified.

1919 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Saunders Rd Female advised on a broken car window.

2010 Phone - Auto Theft *Report Filed Location/Address: Buckminster Dr Caller reports he was delivering food and came back to his vehicle gone and crashed a few feet away. K9 searched the area with negative results. Negoshians towed that vehicle back to the station.

Wednesday, January 12

0030 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Winslow Ave caller reports noise from the upstairs neighbor. Officers spoke to 2nd floor tenants and guest were leaving for the night

1216 Phone - Pedestrian Accident *Report Filed Location/Address: Washington St + Bond St Pedestrian struck by

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MV. Male transported by NFD.

1308 Walk-In - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: St John Ave Units stand by while male party retrieves items.

1351 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Dairy Fine - Fulton St 1501 Other - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Vanderbilt Ave

1558 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Village Rd E DA's Office request a wellness check on female. N664 reports there was a verbal argument both parties agreed to stay apart from each other for the night.

1830 Initiated - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Gazebo - Town Common - Washington St N674 moved party along and he will be taking the bus to Dedham.

Thursday, January 13

0540 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: TJ Maxx - Nahatan St Caller reporting noise complaint - TT unit unloading. N663 advised operator of bylaw - will adjust future delivery times.

0918 Phone - Death *Report Filed Location/Address: Rose Ct Death at home.

1053 Phone - Susp Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Anne Rd Caller reports past SP activity overnight.

1317 Initiated - Noise Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Rock St Upon arrival N666 spoke with female in unit B7 who complained about her neighbor talking loud on the phone. N666 reports no excessive noise. She was advised. Refer to 22-35-OF.

1842 Walk-In - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Hampden Dr Party in the lobby reports receiving notification on her cell phone that she has devices connected to her vehicle that are not hers. Officer examined vehicle and spoke to reporting party, advised.

1853 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Area Search Negative Location/Address: Norwood Depot - Railroad Ave Caller reports youths possibly using spray cans. Officers checked Norwood Depot and Norwood Central stations, individuals on both sites denied witnessing any such activity. No fresh spray paint at either location.

2203 Walk-In - Well Being Chk Area Search Negative Location/Address: Forrest Ave Walk in party reports suspicious male party milling around neighborhood. Walk in party reports he may be confused. N676 and N664 responding. Officers reports no one matching that description in the neighborhood.

Friday, January 14

1215 Phone - Well Being Chk Transported To Hospital Location/Address: Broadway Male party transported to hospital. Negoshian's tows MA 3AHJ24.

1939 Phone - Susp Person Area Search Negative Location/Address: Davis Ave Owner reports a male party was seen possibly trying to make entry to the building, left on foot toward Walpole Street. Officers searched the area with negative results, spoke to owner, advised.

1950 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Gazebo - Town Common - Washington St Caller concerned about male on bench talking to himself. Party checks out, was on the phone.

2215 Other - Civil Dispute Vehicle Towed Location/Address: Norwest Dr 2016 Dodge Journey color grey seized by Norfolk County Constable.

2227 911 - Complaint Of Mv *Arrest(S)/Made Location/Address: Norwest Dr Delivery driver reporting seeing MA PC 3AHJ24 half parked in the the parking lot and half parked in brush. N674 placed that male under arrest and transported him to the station. Refer To Arrest: 22-12-AR Arrest: Pinto, Miguel A Address: 937 Norwest Dr Norwood, Ma Age: 61 Charges: Oui-Liquor Or .08% C90 S24(1)(A)(1) Negligent Operation Of Motor Vehicle C90 S24(2)(A)

Saturday, January 15

0925 Phone - Animal Complaint State Dpw/Norwood Dpw Notified Location/Address: Upland Rd Sate DOW notified to pick up a dead animal.

1102 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Linden St Caller reports her car stolen near Central. Officers locate the vehicle on Linden where it was parked.

1145 Walk-In - Assist Citizen *Report Filed Location/Address: Tamworth Rd Resident surrenders ammunition.

1645 Other - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)/Made Location/Address: Village Rd W Arrest: Vernet, Dukens Address: 2501 Village Rd W Norwood, Ma Age: 30 Charges: Warrant Arrest Warrant Arrest Warrant Arrest Warrant Arrest

1716 Phone - Animal Complaint No Violation Location/Address: North Ave Anonymous report of possible animal neglect, dog left outside in cold temperatures. Officer reports

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dog was inside upon arrival, spoke to owner, dog is a Husky breed, no neglect. Ongoing issues between caller and owner.

1805 911 - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: St George Ave Caller reports hearing someone enter the apartment, does not know who it is. Officers made contact, landlord checking thermostat, advised.

2054 Phone - Susp Activity Area Search Negative Location/Address: Azalea Dr Caller reports he can hear juveniles possibly in the woods yelling. N664,N663 searched the area.

Sunday, January 16

0018 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Neponset St caller states his wife is sitting in the car in the driveway and wanted officers to check on her. Officers spoke to her, she is leaving for the night.

0022 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Rock St Caller reports neighbors having a loud party. Officers spoke to them.

0044 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Lenox St Caller states she was sleeping and someone came into her apartment and injured her shoulder. Officers spoke to the caller, determined she has mental health issues and she just wanted to tell the police. Declined to go to the hospital

0109 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Rock St caller reports loud music, officers had them turn the music down.

0213 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Rock St Caller reports neighbors causing noise. Officers spoke to them and they will keep the noise down.

0409 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Kenneth Bourden - Neponset St Caller reports loud party. Officers advised them to end the party for the night.

1506 Phone - Assaults Report Filed Location/Address: Boch New to You Superstore Bos-Prov Hwy Past workplace issue in October.

1625 Phone - Shoplifting *Report Filed Location/Address: Home Depot - Bos-Prov Hwy Employee reports a past shoplifting.

1649 Phone - Animal Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Richland Rd Caller reports while out with her dog for a walk another dog that was off leash came after her dog and know her dog is limping. N674 spoke to the calling party she was advised to reach out to him if there were any injuries to her dogs. N674 also reports the dogs were playing rough that's how her dog may have been injured.

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a Town Meeting, the project will require Town Meeting approval as well as the Town override vote, which would take place on Election Day, April 4, 2022," he said. "We also anticipate we will have four community meetings, one right after the MSBA approval

from the Board, one in-between Town Meeting and the Town Vote (April election) and there will be one prior to that. We will also be scheduling a meeting to present the project to the Senior Center."

MSBC Chair Alan Slater pointed out that March 14, 2022

is the same date for the Town Meeting. He said he wants everyone to keep that in mind when scheduling the public forums and MSBC meetings.

"There's going to be a number of things on that Town Meeting," he said. "It isn't just going to be the MSBC, there are going

to be some other articles potentially, some planning articles and zoning articles, so Town Meeting could potentially run for a couple of nights, and so next time we meet we're going to have to talk about dates for public forums, because I don't want to have an overlap between Town Meeting and a potential public forum. So I just want everybody to keep that in

mind, but I think for right now we're okay."

At the time of publication, the next MSBC meeting is scheduled for Feb. 14, 2022, but Lin and Slater said they might now have to have said meeting, so interested residents should check in the school project page at <https://bit.ly/3nA61oO>. As of the date of publication, the meeting is still on the schedule.

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SENIORS CAN WORK OFF THEIR TAXES

The Town of Norwood provides opportunities for Norwood citizens over the age of 60 to reduce their property tax by volunteering in a town department. In 2021 the Town instituted a similar program for veterans in 2021. There is no age restriction for veterans. The Norwood Human Resources Department is currently accepting applications from interested seniors and veterans for FY23 tax year. Information regarding both programs can be found on the Town website at www.norwoodma.gov. Select the link for Volunteer Opportunities under the Human Resources Department. Information is also available by contacting Human Resources at 781-762-1240, ext. 6073 or by emailing HR@norwoodma.gov.

NORWOOD DEMOCRATS TO HOLD CAUCUS FEBRUARY 12

Registered Democrats in Norwood will hold a caucus on Saturday, February 12 at 10:00 a.m. to elect Delegates and Alternates to the 2022 Massachusetts Democratic State Convention. The caucus will take place virtually. Democrats who wish to participate virtually may register at <https://tinyurl.com/02062caucus>. This year's state convention

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will be held Saturday, June 4th (with opening events on Friday, June 3rd) where delegates will gather in-person at the DCU Center in Worcester (and virtually) to endorse candidates for statewide office and unite to elect Democrats down the ballot in November of 2022.

The caucus is open to all registered and pre-registered Democrats in Norwood. Pre-registered Democrats who will be 16 by February 4, 2022 will be allowed to participate and run as a Delegate or Alternate. Norwood can elect 17 Delegates and 4 Alternates to the Convention.

Youth, minorities, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ+ individuals who are not elected as a Delegate or Alternate may apply to be an Add-on Delegate at the caucus or at www.massdems.org.

Norwood Democrats will convene a regular business meeting immediately following the caucus.

Those interested in getting involved with the Norwood Democratic Town Committee should contact the committee at

NorwoodDTC@gmail.com or check out their Facebook page at facebook.com/NorwoodDTC.

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The South Norfolk Mental Illness Family and Friends Support Group will hold its monthly meeting at The Grange, 28 Rockwood Road (Route 115) in Norfolk, MA from 7-9 pm on Thursday, February 3.

We would appreciate the cooperation of all in observing the Covid-19 precaution of wearing a mask while indoors during our meeting.

Mental illness is a label for a variety of diseases of the brain. Often it strikes in late adolescence, devastating the afflicted person and the family. The South Norfolk Mental Illness Family and Friends Support Group is composed of such families who find mutual support and join together to advocate for their loved ones. We welcome all families in the South Norfolk Area who are dealing with mental illness and their loved ones. For further in-

formation call Ray at 508-668-2941.

NORWOOD WOMANS CLUB FOOD DRIVE

The Norwood Womens Club will hold a food drive for the Ecumenical Food Pantry on Monday February 7. Items needed include canned chicken, canned fruit, Instant coffee, Herbal tea, green tea, spaghetti sauce, meats (hash, beef stew, chili, spam), crunchy peanut butter, pasta (all kinds). Instant potatoes, rice pilaf and adult disposable size large. Items can be dropped off at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 572 Nichols Street between 10am and 12pm. You need not be a member of the club to donate.

ART ASSOCIATION SHOWCASES TALENT

The NORWOOD ART ASSOCIATION is excited to announce it will be showcasing the work of 25+ of their members in January at the Walpole Public Library. The show will run thru January 31st. A variety of media will be showcased including oil,

acrylic, watercolor, pastel, photography, mixed media and wood. Works will be on display and available for sale by contacting the artists directly. Come and support our local artists! Enjoy the creativity of emerging as well as established artists. See the creativity that has sustained us through the pandemic. Work will be on display in both the community room and the lobby gallery during regular library business hours.

The Norwood Art Association was founded in the 1970's and has continued to thrive and grow its membership through the years. Interested in becoming a member? Please contact the Norwood Art Association at norwoodartassociation@gmail.com or visit their website norwoodartassociation.com and visit them on Facebook.

WALPOLE MALL HOSTING ART ASSOCIATION

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