



The site of the Bernie Cooper Memorial Waterfront Park in South Norwood.

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MSBC to move community comment meetings

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Middle School Building Committee (MSBC) met on July 10 and discussed the community comment meetings held on Fridays over the past couple of weeks and their sparse attendance.

The purpose of the meetings was to allow residents to come and express their thoughts and issues regarding the construction process now taking place at the Philip Coakley Middle School in South Norwood. Members of the project Owners Project Management (OPM) team said they were thinking it might be better to incorporate those meetings into the regular MSBC meetings, usually held once a month, on a Monday.

“It’s not getting super or sometimes any attendance on Friday mornings and it is taking an hour or so of time for the staff to come over and do it,” said Vertex representative James Boudreau.

Boudreau said he’d want to have the MSBC meetings in a hybrid format so that more community members could have an opportunity to attend.

“It’s obviously more convenient in terms of timing for people,” he said. “The purpose of that meeting is to hear about any issues the project is causing so we can address them before they become really big issues. It’s something we wanted to bring up here to see if we would discontinue that meeting and give people the chance as part of a public comment session at the beginning of these meetings (MSBC).”

School Committee representative Teresa Stewart said she had previously shared that there were residents who wanted to come to the comment meetings, but since they were so early and in-person only, those people could not attend. She added that the School Committee already has a policy for public comment that could be easily duplicated by the MSBC.

The MSBC voted unanimously to discontinue the community meetings in favor of a hybrid option at MSBC meetings. However, the community meeting scheduled on Aug. 4 at 10 a.m. will still take place.

On a related note, the Board is looking to hold its meetings earlier in the day to accommodate everyone’s schedule. Facilities Department Director Phil Riccardi said it

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ConCom approves Cooper Park plan

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Conservation Commission (ConCom) met on July 12 and voted to approve the Bernie Cooper Park plan on the Saints Street Lot at 84 Morse St./0 St. Joseph’s Avenue.

Horsely Whitten representatives Hannah Carlson and Brian Kuchar presented the plan, which is an updated version of the one presented during community meetings in 2021.

Kuchar said the site is what they refer to as a disturbed vegetated site, in that there’s a lot of vegetation and it has a fair amount of buried pavement under much of the greenery. He said they have almost an acre of pavement to deal with.

“It was used as a parking lot at one time for use by the sur-

rounding area and the factory across the river,” he said.

The area is also inundated with invasive species, which the park plan is looking to control.

The four main goals of the park development are to expand on the trails and informal paths currently in use, provide connectivity to the Elliot Park, enhance the ecological value of the property (invasive control and replacement) and to control the stormwater from the Saint Streets.

“It runs through the parcel uncontrolled; the parcel actually does a pretty good job of infiltrating that stormwater, but we’re looking to collect, capture and treat it prior to that discharge and infiltration with some green infrastructure practices as well,” he said.

Carlson said the park’s de-

sign is the result of outreach meetings with residents and officials.

“You’ll see the plan we have now is pretty similar to what we landed on in the past,” she said. “You’ll see some things are in slightly different locations, but really the core of what we heard from people during that process is what we still have.”

Carlson said despite the large number of invasive species at the site, residents indicated they wanted to keep a lot of greenery and environment. She said the plan incorporates this feeling, as it keeps some of the larger invasive species where they are in order to maintain the habitat they’ve been providing. She said long-term maintenance could reduce the reproduction of these kinds of

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Leaving the San Fernando Valley, it was 72 degrees; forecast was a high of 126 in the other valley. Like a toad drawn to a roaring campfire, I hopped in my car. On the way I thought: our vocabulary reflects the very seed of primal experience, the sun paramount. Safety in daytime's light and heat as well as danger in nighttime's darkness and cold inform our earliest attempts at verbal communication. So ingrained are these, that the very words themselves are metaphors. Thus, a hot stock is good, as is a hot ticket and a hot-looking person. If someone's ready, they're hot to trot. We experience the heat of passion, and then romance cools. A cold stare, a cold shoulder, a cold heart. If startled or uneasy, a cold chill runs down your spine. A hot time beats a cool reception. A gaze can melt a woman's heart; beware association with a frigid woman. We have warm memories; we catch a cold.

Up the 5 and east through burgeoning Palmdale, up 14 through Mohave and its army of white, gyrating wind turbines, marching in place and in perfect cadence. Further to Cantil and Ridgecrest where lies detritus dirt backwash, railroad tracks and truck stops, the California not seen in ads. Through Ridgecrest and Trona it's 98 degrees, past Ballarat ghost town it hits 105.

On the way I thought: historically we have the Enlightenment, as well as the Dark Ages. We have sunny dispositions, as well as a dark side. If close to discovery, we're getting warmer, and then the trail runs cold. We have a ray of hope. A burning question requires attention; in its revelation we've seen the light. If unresolved it be-

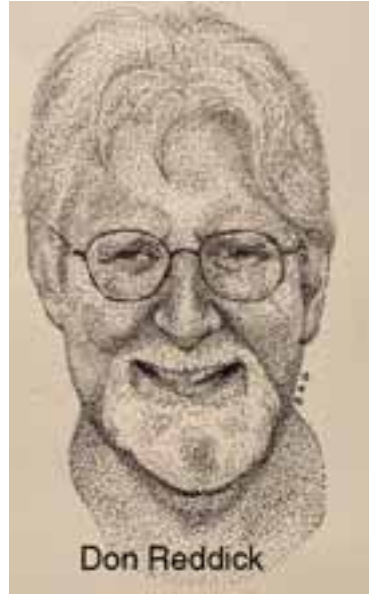
comes a cold case. People can leave you warm and fuzzy, others need to chill out. We endure icy stares. Some are fired with ambition; hesitation indicates cold feet. We warm to a task. We follow with interest a hot topic; others leave us cold. On a winning streak, we're hot as a pistol. We freeze like a deer in the headlights.

Baked brown earth thrown to jagged, low mountains cradling Death Valley. A sign commemorates Seldom Seen Slim, the areas last resident, who died in 1968. Sign, Death Valley National Park at 11:23 a.m., holding fast at 105 degrees. Inside the park, the glistening tar ribbon climbs. At 4000-foot elevation it dips to 95, at the top of the pass it bottoms at 91. Descending into the shimmering, heat waded, white-clay bowl it rises; at 4000 feet again 95, at Towne Pass' 3000-foot elevation 98, at 2000 feet 104, at 1000 feet 109.

You get black-balled, experience Black Friday, and contract Black Plague. You have liquid assets until they're frozen. You have ice in your veins. You shed light on a problem and give it hell.

I cruise into Death Valley, sipping from a water bottle. The place is desolate, forbidding, roads so little traveled that even today to get stuck is dangerous. Concern is verified at a pullover, where a warning sign relates tales of hikers who have perished. At Stovepipe Wells, elevation 5 feet, the temperature reaches 114. Descending further into the bowl, at 200 feet below sea level it is 116. At noon it is 118, an hour later 120. The landscape is otherworldly; salt flats shimmering under an intense downpour of light, corralled by surrounding high heaps of earth. At 1:30 is experienced the highest temperature of the day, 122 degrees Fahrenheit. I pull over and emerge from my air-conditioned car, the instant sensation that of opening an oven and being rushed by heat. My glasses instantly fog. It engulfs, pressures, and cooks. Relentless, blinding, baking heat.

Meandering on, I thought: heat and light are associated with



Don Reddick

positive, safe experiences, cold and dark with negative and dangerous. Thus, we have sports teams named the Calgary Flames and not the Calgary Ice, the Miami Heat and not the Cold, the Tampa Bay Lightning and not the Hail Stones, the Phoenix Suns and not the Moons, the Dallas Stars and not the Black Holes. Pondering ancient experience and its effect on human consciousness, recognized is perhaps our most ingrained metaphor, that of sun-driven spring's blossoming—the dawn of life and an open book—and winters' diminishing light, life's sunset and the conclusion of the story.

Even the sun's position informs etymology. When high we look up to it in safety, when it lowers toward encroaching danger, we look down. Thus, we live the high life and know low-lives. We look up to those admired and down on those below us. We have Your Royal Highness and her subjects. Thumbs up, thumbs down. We have lofty ambitions and low expectations. We rise to the occasion and stoop to their level. Laws are upheld, though some are beneath our dignity. We have uplifted spirits unless we are downcast. Is there any question why ancients determined Heaven was above, and Hell below?

It's time to leave Death Valley's heat and its suggestive allusions, similes, and metaphors. I drive desert toward Pahrump and its turnoff to Las Vegas. There I will see my daughter Sarah. And on the way I thought:
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NORWOOD AIRPORT COMMISSION**

**Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Plan
Fiscal Year 2024-2026 Goal Statement**

A 4.5 percent disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) overall utilization goal for federally funded airport improvement projects at the Norwood Memorial Airport (OWD) has been established for the 2024-2026 Federal fiscal years per the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26. The methodology used to derive this goal can be reviewed for thirty (30) days following the date of this notice at the Airport Administration Office, Norwood Memorial Airport, 111 Access Road, Norwood, MA 02062. Comments concerning the overall goal will be accepted for fifteen (15) days following the completion of the thirty (30) day notice period at the address provided above and by the Federal Aviation Administration, 1200 District Ave., Burlington, MA 01803.

All firms, both DBE and non-DBE, are invited to contact the Norwood Memorial Airport for information regarding bidding opportunities on federally funded airport improvement projects.

Norwood Record: 07/20/23

Liquor license issues abound at Selectmen

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met on July 18 at the Norwood Town Hall and voted on a liquor license transfer and three license applications.

The Board voted to deny three requests for the Town's last all-alcohol liquor license. The general consensus was that the three applications either didn't meet the necessary bars of public good and public need and/or the applications were deficient.

The only application the Board expressed some merit toward was from Hometown Arcade at 61 Endicott St. at the Winsmith Mill. Applicant Matt Snow said he, his wife and his business partner wanted to expand offerings at the arcade, which offers classic video games, tabletop sport games, Pinball and console games for a flat rate of \$20.

"We're pursuing the license because we've heard a lot of feedback from guests and community members that this is an offering they'd like us to add," Snow said.

During the Board's review, Selectman Bill Plasko noted several deficiencies in the application, including the lack of detail in the submitted floor plan and the fact that the establishment would not be offering any food. Snow said they have an agreement with a dedicated food truck outside the building, but Plasko said he wasn't sure that would cut it.

He and Town Counsel David DeLuca both concluded that under this arrangement what they would be issuing would be a Tavern License, something they haven't issued in a very long time.

"In recent memory, at least since I've been around," said Plasko.

DeLuca said the Town's restaurant licenses require food, whereas a tavern license would not.

Tipico Salvadoreno 2, at 514 Washington St. also applied for the license. Owners and managers Lidia and Freddy Romero said they wanted to expand offerings for their business. Attorney David Hern represented them during the hearing.

"It's really a family operation and something they're very committed to and I hope you'll be able to look favorably on their application," Hern said.

Prieto Empanada II, at 111 Lenox St. was also applying for the license, and owner Jose Pimentel said he also had requests from guests for alcohol during sporting events and meals.

The issue the Board had with these two applications included that the applications were not in exact order and the size of the establishments – both 1,750 square feet – did not align with other restaurants holding licenses that were larger in sq ft and provided more seating.

"When we look at the list of all-alcohol licenses provided, the three applicants this evening do not seem to be consistent with approvals that we've given in the past," said Selectman Bob Donnelly. "'I'm seeing very much a theme for most of our license holders for an all-alcohol license, which is that they are large restaurants with large seating capacity."

Plasko said he didn't feel these applications met a "sufficient public need or proper use for the licenses for the public good and service to the public with the license as well as possible."

The Board voted unanimously three times to deny each applicant. DeLuca said they could re-apply if they so wished later.

In other booze news, the Board voted to accept a beer and wine license transfer from Convenient Food Part to the Norwood Citgo, located at 960 Boston Providence Hwy.

The Board had already voted

once before on the transfer request but was deadlocked at 2-2. Selectmen Chair Matt Lane was not at the prior meeting when the vote was taken. Plasko and Selectman Michael Saad voted to deny the transfer and Selectman Amanda Grow and Donnelly both voted for it. Lane said he was in support of the transfer at Tuesday's meeting because there was, arguably, a need for it in that location and because of the history of the license itself.

Earlier in the year, the original holder of the license obtained it from the Town with the promise of using it, but ended up selling it to Mahendrakumar Patel, the owner of Convenient Food Mart. This garnered discussion among the Board that some license seekers may be purely speculative in their purchase and do not want

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Docket No. NO23P1531EA

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Bidding procedures and award of the Contract will be in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 149 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as amended. The estimated cost of the project is **\$500,000**.

Each General Bid and Filed Sub-Bid on this Contract must be accompanied by a copy of a Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management showing that the bidder has the classification and capacity rating to perform the work required. In order to be eligible to bid on this Contract, each bidder must be certified in an amount sufficient to cover their bid. Each bid must also be accompanied by a Contractor Qualification Statement Update. Any bid submitted without the appropriate Certificate of Eligibility and Contractor Qualification Statement Update shall be invalid.

Sealed bids shall be submitted on a form furnished by the Awarding Authority and clearly identified as a bid, endorsed with the name and address of the bidder and the name of the project (Norwood Civic Center Emergency Repairs) and Contract #FAC-24-02, and submitted to:

Town of Norwood
General Manager's Office
566 Washington Street, 1st Floor
Norwood, MA 02062

Sealed bids for the General Contract will be received until 11:00 A.M., Thursday, August 10, 2023.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 10:00 A.M., at the Norwood Civic Center, 165 Nahatan Street, Norwood, MA 02062. Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend the pre-bid meeting.

Each bid shall be submitted and will be considered in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and the other Contract Documents, and shall be accompanied by a bid bond (a) in form satisfactory to the Awarding Authority substantially conforming to the sample contained in the Contract Documents, (b) with a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and satisfactory to the Awarding Authority, and (c) conditioned upon the faithful performance by the principal of the agreements contained in the bid; or cash; or a certified check; or a treasurer's check; or by cashier's check; issued by a responsible bank or trust company, made payable to the Town of Norwood, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid amount.

Bid Forms and Contract Documents will be available after **10:00 am on Wednesday, July 19, 2023**, by registering and downloading documents electronically at: <https://bids.norwoodma.gov>. Addenda will be sent via email to all plan holders. Documents will not be available via mail or shipping.

Each bidder is advised to visit the site of the proposed work, become fully acquainted with conditions as they exist, and thoroughly examine the Contract Documents. Failure of any bidder to visit the site, and to examine the Contract Documents shall in no way relieve the bidder from any obligation with regard to the bid as submitted.

The successful General Bidder will be required to provide a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, and Performance Bond, each bond being in the amount of 100 percent of the Contract Amount. Bonds must be written with a company qualified to do business in Massachusetts and acceptable to the Awarding Authority.

The successful bidder shall be required to submit documentation that all employees to be employed in the work subject to this bid have successfully completed a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration. Any employee found on a worksite subject to this section without documentation of successful completion of a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration shall be subject to immediate removal.

The minimum wages to be paid for all labor on the project are established in a schedule issued by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, in accordance with Section 26A - 27D, of Chapter 149 of the M.G.L., as amended, said schedule being made a part of the Contract Documents and is included therein.

Section 6(f) of Chapter 64H of Massachusetts General Laws exempts Massachusetts sales tax on building materials and supplies to be used in the project, and bidders shall not include in their bids any amount therefor.

The successful Bidder must agree to commence work as stipulated in the receipt of Notice to Proceed, and to complete the work in accordance with the times established in the Contract.

The Awarding Authority will reject bids when required to do so by the above-referenced General Laws. In addition, the Awarding Authority reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all bids if it be in the public interest to do so. Attention of all bidders is directed to the requirements of the Supplemental Equal Opportunity, Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Program of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which is incorporated in the Contract Documents.

By: Tony Mazzucco
General Manager

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Norwood Record: 07/20/23

NFD wants residents prepared

Chief Timothy Bailey and the Norwood Fire Department wish to share guidance on hurricane awareness and preparedness this season. Gov. Maura Healey has proclaimed July 9-15 as Hurricane Preparedness Week in Massachusetts, which recognizes the importance of preparing for the impact of extreme weather.

June 1 marked the official start of the Atlantic Hurricane Season, which runs through Nov. 30. Most hurricanes and tropical storms that impact New England occur during late August and September, and residents are encouraged to prepare early.

Hurricanes can bring many types of wind and water hazards, including storm surges, strong winds and flooding. The Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) offer several tips to help residents better prepare for extreme weather should it occur.

Know Your Evacuation Zone: Learn if you live or work in a hurricane evacuation zone. The best action to protect yourself and your family from the flooding and high winds caused by hurricanes is to evacuate when ordered to do so, before those conditions hit your area. Know and follow the directions from local officials for community evacuation and follow posted evacuation routes.

Visit www.mass.gov/knowyourzone to learn if you live or work in a hurricane evacuation zone. If you live in an area that may flood and may need assistance evacuating, plan with family, neighbors, and friends who may be able to assist, and contact your local public safety officials to make them aware of your needs.

Make an Emergency Plan:

Have an emergency plan for how your family would communicate, evacuate and shelter in place should there be an emergency. An emergency plan should address the specific needs of all of your family members and those you are responsible for.

Steps to making an emergency plan include the following: Discuss the questions below with your family, friends, or household: How will I receive emergency alerts and warnings? What is my shelter plan? What is my evacuation route? What is my family/household communication plan?

Consider specific needs for everyone in your household, including seniors, children, individuals with access and functional needs, and pets. Dietary needs, medical needs including prescriptions and equipment, disabilities or access and functional needs including devices and equipment, and cultural and religious considerations should all be taken into account when creating an emergency plan. Fill out a Family Emergency Plan.

Practice your plan with your family/household.

Build an Emergency Kit: Build an emergency kit that will sustain your household for 3-5 days without power. A basic emergency supply kit might include the following recommended items: Food and water: Battery-powered or hand-crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert: Flashlight and extra batteries: First aid kit: Whistle (to signal for help): Dust mask (to help filter contaminated air): Soap, hand sanitizer, and disinfecting wipes: Prescription and non-prescription medications: Eyeglasses and contact lens solution: Infant formula, bottles, diapers, and wipes: Important family documents, and

cash or traveler's checks: Plastic sheeting and duct tape (to shelter in place): Moist towelettes, garbage bags, and plastic ties (for personal sanitation): Wrench or pliers (to turn off utilities): Manual can opener (for food): Local maps: Cell phone with chargers and a backup battery.

Store items in airtight plastic bags and put your entire disaster supplies kit in one or two easy-to-carry containers such as plastic bins or a duffel bag.

Prepare Your Home: You can improve your home's ability to withstand hurricane conditions. Consider cutting weak branches and trees that could fall on your house. Make sure there's nothing that could blow around during the storm and damage your home, and move bikes, lawn furniture, grills, propane tanks and building material inside or under shelter. Keep drains, gutters and downspouts clear of debris. Cover up windows and doors by using storm shutters or pieces of plywood. Secure all doors on your property and find a safe location for your vehicle.

Stay Informed: Every family should have multiple methods for receiving emergency alerts. Learn more about different types of alerting and information tools including the Emergency Alert System, Wireless Emergency Alerts, NOAA Weather Radio, social and traditional news media, and local notification systems.

The Commonwealth's 2-1-1 hotline is available 24x7 for non-emergency assistance. It is available with translation in more than 150 languages and can be accessed via video relay services.

For more information on hurricane planning, go to <https://tinyurl.com/mwk25aez>

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to provide the service the license allows for, but to simply flip it to make a buck.

Regardless, Patel had obtained the beer and wine license by purchase and wanted to use it for Washington Street, but subsequently obtained an all-alcohol license. At that point he was required to sell his beer and wine license or face giving it back to the Town without compensation. Lane said that while the Town wanted more licenses located in South Norwood and Downtown, it felt like they were punishing Patel for not finding a buyer exactly where they wanted one to be.

Furthermore, there was the issue of saturation. DeLuca said the definition of saturation of licenses in one area is defined by the local municipal issuing board. Basically, it's up to the Board of Selectmen to determine if an area is getting saturated. The Mobil across the street from

the Citgo already sells beer and wine, and on the other side of Route 1 is Yankee Spirits.

The Board voted 3-2 – with Plasko and Saad against – to approve the transfer.

The Board also voted to authorize the Town to continue negotiations with Sunrise Assisted Living and the Town of Sharon for a possible sewer connection. The issue is that Sunrise is looking to put in a new facility on the Norwood/Sharon Border off of Edgehill Road near Union Street in Norwood.

Department of Public Works Director Mark Ryan said this request was much like the 2006 approved Avalon Bay connection between Sharon and Norwood. Ryan said going by how the 2006 deal panned out, the Town is looking at making some good money, around a few million dollars. However, Ryan was quick to point out that this is just an initial estimate and that dollar value could fluctuate sig-

nificantly during negotiations.

Ryan also said the Town has no obligation to provide this connection and could discontinue negotiations at any point, but noted that benefits, aside from the cash, include improvements to the infrastructure in that area as well.

“This is a dollar value that might benefit us greatly and there are a couple of other items in there that might help us out financially to improve our infrastructure, but are we in dire need of it? No I don't think so.”

The Board voted to authorize continued conversations subject to the Board being able to review and approve the final contract.

Lastly, Selectman Grow said Norwood's legislators are coming to the next meeting, scheduled for July 25, giving Selectmen a chance to directly ask questions of State Rep. John Rogers and State Sen. Michael Rush.

Correction

In last week's Norwood Record, the article on Page 4 entitled, “Norwood Fire Department rides again in the Pan Mass Challenge,” firefighter Lieutenant Joseph Mawn was incorrectly named as Joseph Mont. Also, firefighter John Bellanti was incorrectly stated as having passed away from multiple melanoma, when in fact it was multiple myeloma. We apologize for the error.



Work has started on Route 1A for a new light at the intersection of Upland Woods Circle and Upland Road. COURTESY PHOTO

Residents urged to avoid Upland Road/1A traffic light construction

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Residents on Route 1A/Upland Road most likely have noticed the growing slowdowns at the entrance to Moderna’s facility off of Upland Woods Circle.

Norwood Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Mark Ryan said the construction of the traffic light is being funded by Alexandria Real Estate, which owns the land at the Moderna site bordering Westwood.

“There will definitely be slow traffic going through there,

and so if you have an alternative way to get where you’re going, it’s probably a good idea,” he said. “The evening and morning commutes especially will be slower because of the barriers there.”

The light installation is part of an agreement struck with the previous landowner, Campanelli Construction and Development, more than 15 years ago that stipulated if traffic reached a

certain threshold, the light would have to be installed. This was part of a development agreement for other work going on within the industrial park at the time.

“That was part of the permitting process with Campanelli back in the early 2000s,” Ryan said. “So Alexandria is now funding that project. It’s a state

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Community Preservation Committee provides project updates, five-year plan

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Community Preservation Committee (CPC) met on July 12 and discussed updates to several approved projects as well as how it's looking at the future of Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds.

First up, CPC Coordinator Kristen Phelps said the project at the Balch Lower Elliot Field work is mostly done, but work remaining includes the installation of accessible ramps as per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). She said currently they are looking for a contractor to design and build the project, which is slated to cost about \$70,000. The inclusion of the ramp is the result of community input on a 2020-approved plan to rehabilitate the skate park and basketball court. The ramp has been stalled because costs for such work, as with everything else in this post-COVID-19 supply chain world, have gone up considerably.

"The question is can we hire one firm to do it all with \$40,000 for design and whatever the construction is going to be," Phelps said.

Phelps said she, member Joseph Greeley and Depart-

ment of Public Works (DPW) Director Mark Ryan are looking into if they can combine the work to save some money, and will have at least some options for that or, if that turns out not to be feasible, an alternative plan by the next CPC meeting.

In other business, Phelps said the Stearns and Elliot Pocket Park, originally budgeted at the 2022 Annual Town Meeting for \$72,000, is moving along nicely.

"I don't know if you all have been by there but it's getting very close," she said. "It's exciting; the benches are in and they put in so many arborvitaes, and (Conservation Agent) Holly Jones provided a planting plan, as there's a small basin there that they'll be planting in the fall and the center area in the more formal park between the benches."

Phelps also said that a resident with a botany background has come forward to work with Jones to come up with low-maintenance native plants for the park.

"She's going to be working with Holly to suggest some plants for the site," she said. "So hopefully sometime this fall that will wrap up and it looks like we'll get a little money back from that one. There's about \$18,000 left in

that account with about \$7,000 or \$8,000 still needed for planting and other work to do."

As for the future, Phelps said she wants to begin putting together a five-year plan. She is scheduling with several committees connected to CPA's main three funding areas – open space and recreation, housing and historic preservation – to try to get ideas to map out at least some of the CPA's future projects.

"At the last meeting you had asked about doing some sort of questionnaire to go out to the Boards and Commissions just to start getting feedback and thinking long-term," she said, adding she's scheduled to meet with Greeley, who is also the Norwood Trails Advisory Committee Chair, and Norwood Director of Finance Meg LaMay, "just having something in mind, both financially and a projects-in-the-pipeline-perspective."

She would also like to meet with the Conservation Commission, the Planning Board, the Historical Commission, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager's Office, the Trails Committee and the Recreation Department. Member Cheryl Doyle said she would join Phelps for any meetings she can attend.

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species and keep their numbers down as the older plants die off.

"For example, there are a lot of Norway Maples on the site in the middle, and we're not saying we should cut them all down," Carlson said. "They're providing a lot of ecosystem services right now, but I think as a lot of them are aging and getting older, targeting a couple for plantings and trying to think about what plants will survive in certain areas to increase diversity, that's kind of our endgame."

For historically problematic invasive species, both Carlson and Kuchar said the Town should look at all options. The most virulent species of Japanese Knotweed was a big talking point, and the pair and the ConCom agreed that all methods of control should be utilized so as to keep the plant from spreading out of control.

"It's going to be a measured approach and it's going to be an ongoing issue," Kuchar said. "Once it's under control it's not too bad, but it's the initial first phase which is tough."

"And generally it's not a one-and-done process," said Carlson, adding that for things like knotweed, all methods should be on the table. She said actual implementation will be up to the contractor.

For other design elements, Carlson said they are looking at making at least several of the trails accessible as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and provide a connection to Elliot Park.

"And provide passive recreation opportunities like these picnic benches and other opportunities for interpretation and education," she said.

Carlson also said there are cul-de-sac-like areas at the end of the Saint Streets (St. Joseph, St. John and St. Paul) that they are looking to remove to reduce impervious areas.

"We'll be using pervious pavers as much as we can," she said.

Near the river, there will be two overlooks with benches to provide views of the Neponset River and a boardwalk, which Conservation Agent Holly Jones said is being designed free of charge to the Town by resident and retired engineer Jerry Hopcroft. Jones pointed out that the Town does not have to do a bid process if the design work is being volunteered.

"He impressed me recently with a boardwalk he helped design and lead construction for in Quincy as part of a Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA) effort, and he has offered to do the same for our boardwalks for this project," she said. "That could considerably reduce the construction costs of the project and he's already actually trained several of the Trails Committee members and our summer intern in doing surveying work."

Jones added that the Town is also looking to do the build process with volunteered work, adding the only costs would be for materials. That is, if they can find the volunteers.

Carlson and Kuchar added that the plans for a food forest are still on the table, for harvesting by humans and animals alike.

"The desire for this kind of food forest and this idea of habitat preservation creation, I mean people were really excited for all the wildlife they see there, and so if you look at our plant list, there are a lot of plants that are edible for humans and foragers and a lot of them are for animals," she said. "That's kind of where we landed."

The Board voted unanimously to accept the plan for the park with a certificate of compliance and the usual standard conditions of approval.

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highway and so it's being managed by design engineer VHB, which happens to be our engineer for the project down at Prospect Street."

The project at Prospect will also impact traffic, as it will install a traffic light as well as make safety improvements to the intersection.

"We're looking at a bid date of this summer or early fall for

that project, which is state and federal funded," Ryan said. "That construction, I'm going to guess, won't start until the spring of 2024. The rest of 2023 will include bidding, getting all the paperwork, submittals and schedules done."

According to the state's website on the Prospect Street project (<https://tinyurl.com/yhfahx4u>) the project design has

been finalized and the total cost is estimated at about \$8.5 million.

As far as the current project at Upland Road and Upland Woods Circuit, the light signal itself is scheduled to arrive in November and would be operational by January at the latest, though Ryan said he hopes it will be sooner than 2024.

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My State Pension Eliminated My Social Security Survivor Benefit

Dear Rusty: My husband of 21 years died in January 2022 at the age of 70. We were both retired at the time of his death, and they immediately stopped his Social Security payments. After many calls to Social Security asking why I was not receiving his benefits, I was finally told since I have my own pension from the State of Ohio that I would receive none of my husband's Social Security.



Russell Gloor
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

I cannot see why my OH retirement has anything to do with my husband's Social Security. I do get a small payment from SS based on my past earnings before I worked for the State of Ohio. Is there any chance of fighting this since we were married when they took money from his earnings for SS? If I wanted to write to an elected official to see if these rules could be changed, who would I write to or call?

Signed: Upset Widow

Dear Upset Widow: Unfortunately, your entitlement to a Social Security survivor benefit from your husband is affected by a provision known as the Government Pension Offset, or "GPO," which affects any surviving spouse with a federal, state, or local government pension earned without contributing to the Social Security program. Ohio is one of 26 states which have opted not to participate in Social Security, thus exempting state employees from paying Social Security taxes on their earnings. The OH state pension which resulted from your state employment means that any Social Security benefits earned outside of your state employment are reduced. The GPO reduction to your survivor benefit is severe – a reduction by 2/3rds of the amount of your Ohio state pension, which can - and often does - completely eliminate any SS survivor benefit you might otherwise be entitled to.

For clarity, the monthly SS payment your husband was receiving at his death stops automatically. At that point, your eligibility for additional SS benefits from your husband was assessed and, because of the GPO, Social Security offset your potential survivor benefit from your husband by 2/3rds of your Ohio state pension, which apparently eliminated your survivor benefit. As unfair as this may seem to you, note that the same thing happens to any surviving spouse who also has their own earned SS retire-

ment benefit – their personal SS retirement benefit offsets their SS survivor benefit, so a spouse with a regular SS retirement benefit higher than their deceased spouse's benefit gets no surviving spouse benefit.

FYI, the State of Ohio has an obligation to make clear that by not paying into Social Security your future SS spousal/survivor benefits are affected. Without knowing how that was presented to you during your OH state employment, here's a quote from Ohio's Public Employee Retirement System (OPERS) website: "If you are eligible for Social Security benefits and are receiving a retirement benefit from OPERS, your Social Security benefits may be affected by the Government Pension Offset or the Windfall Elimination Provision. The Government Pension Offset may also affect you if you are eligible for Social Security benefits through your spouse. The Windfall Elimination Provision may affect you if you qualify for Social Security benefits due to your own work history."

In any case, you are certainly not alone in your feelings about how your Social Security benefits have been affected by the GPO. This provision was enacted in 1983 and has been challenged in just about every Congressional session since that time, without success. In fact, there is a legislative bill active in the current Congress – H.R. 82 – The Social Security Fairness Act - which was introduced on the House floor in January and "referred to committee" for consideration. Like all preceding WEP/GPO reform bills, this one sits idle in Committee. If you wish to add your voice to those who oppose the GPO, you should contact your Congressional Representative to solicit action on H.R. 82.

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League members with Patrick in the center of the picture from left to right are: Eileen Hannon, Toni Eosco, Patrick Brady -scholarship winner, Linda Renzi and Sheri McLeish.

COURTESY PHOTO

Brady receives League award

The Norwood League of Women Voters Margery McKenna Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded in recognition of a student who has shown interest or participation in the civic process and environmental studies. The Norwood LWV review committee selected Norwood High School graduate, Patrick Brady, for the scholarship. With several league members present to congratulate him, Patrick was presented his award and certificate at the Town Common

gazebo on June 22, 2023. Patrick, son of Ellie Brady of Norwood, will be attending Wesleyan University in Connecticut in the fall and looks forward to exploring several opportunities while there.

Margery McKenna was a longtime, active member of the Norwood League. She served in numerous leadership capacities including President. She was an advocate for public education and served as a member of Norwood's School Committee for many years, and as a town meeting member for decades. Her interest in climate change and the environment was deeply rooted in her science major background in physics from Smith College.

As a valued league member, she earned a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Massachusetts League of Women Voters in recognition of over 50 years of service to the league. While she is still sorely missed by those who knew her, the Norwood League is honored to respect her past service and volunteerism through the se-

lection of Patrick Brady for the Margery McKenna Memorial Scholarship. Patrick's essay clearly expressed his belief in the responsible citizen when he stated, "In the modern world, where you get your information has become a big deal but from a personal standpoint, I believe that looking at multiple sources and sites is the best way to get information. Even though it takes a little bit more effort, if we as citizens put in the extra effort we could make great changes in our town, state, and country." The Norwood League of Women Voters extends our best wishes to Patrick. We know he will make a positive difference in the world.

For more information about the league or to contact the Norwood League, please use:

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Coakley Middle School Project FINAL INFORMATION SESSION

10:00 AM on Friday July 21, 2023
In the Fin Com Room at Norwood Town Hall

Please note the final Friday information session for the construction of the new Coakley Middle School will be held this **Friday July 21, 2023 at 10:00 am** in the Fincom room at the Norwood Town Hall.

Going forward the project team, Construction Manager, as well as the Middle School Building Committee (MSBC), will hold a public comment/question session at the start of the monthly MSBC meetings.

Meetings are generally held on the second or third Monday of the month at 5:00 pm at the Savage Center located at 275 Prospect Street. Please use the website below to view upcoming meeting information, past meeting minutes, weekly construction updates, and other project documents.

For more info, visit the project's website at: www.newcmsproject.org
Questions or comments can be sent to: cmsproject@norwoodma.gov

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could also make it easier for the public comment period.

“So if it’s hybrid, folks can still catch it on the tail-end of their workday,” he said, adding there was a bit of a selfish component to the time change. “And for those of us who are up starting their workday at 6 a.m., it’d be nice to have a 4 p.m. meeting and not a 5 p.m. meeting.”

Town Manager Tony Mazzucco said he’d appreciate it as well.

“Selfishly, I think it would be better because some nights I have two meetings. Not that I want to make night meetings, but 4 p.m. makes it possible.”

The only reason the MSBC didn’t cast a vote is because Stewart pointed out there are four other School Committee representatives who she would like to inform. MSBC Chair Alan Slater said they would have it at the top of the agenda next meeting.

In other news, the Board voted to begin the process of adding about \$700,000 to the main project budget from the contingency budget for the construction of a loading dock at the middle school that was not previously budgeted for.

Boudreau said they haven’t arrived at a final price for it yet. Riccardi said the loading dock is essential for the school, since food deliveries and trash removal will take place at these locations.

“I don’t think we can adequately function as a facilities group inside that building without the loading docks,” he said. “The compactors are top-loaded and they go to the top of the loading dock so you can throw stuff in, instead of throwing it up and in from the ground. Most trucks show up without automatic tail lifts to make adjustments to get down. It will make shipping and receiving much more difficult (without them).”

The contingency budget currently has \$3 million in it and so the project is nowhere near going into the red.

For more information on the MSBC and to see upcoming meetings, go to <https://newcmsproject.org>

For the Record

JULY MONTHLY BALLROOM DANCE

The Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging will be sponsoring their monthly Ballroom Dance, on Friday, July 21st from 7-10 p.m. at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood. Music will be provided by the DB Band and the cost is \$12.00 per person for your Ballroom Dancing pleasure.

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CALL FOR WALKERS FOR JIMMY FUND

Registration is now open for the 2023 Boston Marathon® Jimmy Fund Walk. Scheduled for Sunday, October 1, funds raised from the Walk support all forms of adult and pediatric patient care and cancer research at one of the nation’s premier cancer centers, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

The Details: The Jimmy Fund Walk is the only organized walk permitted on the famed Boston Marathon® course, and participants have the flexibility to choose from four distance options:

5K walk (from Dana-Farber Cancer Institute’s Longwood Medical Campus), 10K walk (from Newton), Half Marathon walk (from Wellesley), Marathon Walk (from Hopkinton). Whatever route walkers choose, participants will be treated to 10 refueling stations as well as poster-sized photographs of patients – Jimmy Fund Walk Heroes – displayed at each mile and half-mile marker as inspiration.

All four routes of the Jimmy Fund Walk will culminate at the Jimmy Fund Walk Finish Line. Due to construction in Copley Square, the Jimmy Fund Walk Finish Line location has been moved to the Fenway neighborhood for 2023. Walkers should know that distances may be slightly shorter as we finish the walk in front of Fenway Park. The finish line will include a celebration complete with food, music, and a speaking program.

If walkers wish to participate a bit closer to home, the Jimmy Fund Walk has flexible opportunities. Participants can also join the event virtually by “walking their way” from wherever they are most comfortable—in their neighborhood, on a favorite hiking trail, or on a treadmill at home. Virtual programming and supporting materials will be available. The 2023 Walk will be held during the Jimmy Fund’s 75th anniversary year and will aim to raise \$9 million in the effort to prevent, treat, and defy cancer.

Register as an individual walker, team member, or start a team! Take advantage of this unique opportunity and lead a group of your family, friends, or colleagues to the finish line. The Jimmy Fund can help you start a team, grow your fundraising, and defy cancer, together.

To register for the Walk (#JimmyFundWalk) or to support a walker, visit www.JimmyFundWalk.org or call (866) 531-9255. Registrants can enter the promo code NEWS for \$5 off the registration fee. All registered walkers will receive a bib, medal, and a Jimmy Fund Walk T-shirt.

Morrill Library Events

ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM IS LIVE!

Between July 1 and September 10, fill out your Adult Summer Reading Bingo Card with what you read and did. When you have filled in at least 1 horizontal, vertical, or diagonal line of 5 squares (BINGO), you can turn your card in. For every BINGO on your card, you’ll get 1 entry into our prize drawing at the end of the summer. Complete all 24 squares and get an extra 6 entries! We’ll have several prizes, so multiple participants will win. Many thanks to the Friends of the Library for generously funding our Summer Reading prizes.

All cards must be submitted before the end of the day on September 10. One card per person, for readers high school-aged and older. Book titles may be used up to twice per card.

Questions? Call 781-769-0200 ext. 2. Download your Bingo Card from our Adult SRP webpage (norwoodlibrary.org/adult_summer_read), pick one up in-person at the Reference Desk, or log your progress online via Beanstack (norwoodlibrary.beanstack.org/reader365). Good luck and have fun!

BOOKS IN THE AGE OF MASS INCARCERATION

The Morrill Memorial Library is excited to host Kelly Brotzman for an in-person presentation called “Reading Freedom: Books in the Age of Mass Incarceration,” about the

Prison Book Program, on Thursday, July 27 at 7:00pm in the Simoni Room.

Kelly Brotzman, director of Prison Book Program, will review the contours of modern mass incarceration, paying special attention to access to educational programs. She will discuss her program’s role in providing incarcerated people with reading material and survey current horizons in prison reform. Read more about Prison Book Program at prisonbookprogram.org.

About the presenter: Kelly Brotzman is the Managing Director of Prison Book Program in Quincy, a 50-year-old non-profit devoted to sending free, high-quality books and reading materials to people in prisons and jails across the country. Under Kelly’s leadership, PBP has grown tremendously, holding nearly 200 volunteer sessions per year and expanding to serve incarcerated readers in all 50 states. Her passion for supporting people in prison comes from her experiences teaching college classes in prisons and volunteering as an academic mentor to incarcerated college students. Prior to joining PBP, Kelly spent 20 years in higher education leading offices and programs dedicated to service-learning and teaching classes about social justice, poverty, and inequality. Kelly has a PhD in social ethics from the University of Chicago. In her free time, she likes looking at contemporary art and antiques and being outside, preferably with dogs.

Registration is required for this in-person event. Sign up at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

SENSORY-FRIENDLY MOVIE FRIDAY

The Morrill Memorial Library is offering an in-person sensory-friendly movie on the 4th Friday of the month for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. In the month of July, the program will be held on the 28th, the last Friday of the month.

Join us for our Sensory-friendly Friday movie at the Library, a program specially designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This program will be held in-person in the Simoni Room on Friday July 28, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Our July movie in the Sensory-friendly Friday movie series is *Minions: The Rise of Gru*, rated PG.

The Morrill Memorial Library and Lifeworks Inc of Norwood are excited to bring this program series to the Norwood community. We will be showing a movie in a sensory-friendly and inclusive environment on the last Friday of the month for adults with developmental disabilities.

Registration is required. This event is recommended for attendees aged 18 and up. Please register at <https://www.norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar/> or call 781-769-0200 Ext 2

TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on **August 1, 2023 at 7:00 PM** on the request of Christopher Bissada, represented by David Hern, Jr. Esq., regarding property located at **761 Washington Street (Map 2 Block 12 Lot 6), Norwood, MA 02062**, in the **Single Residence (S) Zoning District**. The hearing will be held at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062 and will also be available for remote participation via Google Meet:

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/xsu-pnjz-wua>
Or dial: (US) +1 941-254-1160 PIN: 402 158 920#

This Application requests a Special Permit under Zoning Bylaw Section 5.2 and 10.4 to allow the extension of a non-conforming use; in this case, a residential apartment in a building that was previously authorized by Special Permit for use as a dentist office.

Any zoning relief that may be required in adherence to the Norwood Zoning Bylaw shall be considered by the Board. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and make their views known to the Board.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeals and may be requested by emailing cped@norwoodma.gov Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Norwood Record: 07/13/23, 07/20/23

TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on **August 1, 2023 at 7:00 PM** on the request of Giovanni Petry regarding property located at **460 Pleasant Street (Map 17 Block 7 Lot 12), Norwood, MA 02062**, in the **Single Residence (S) Zoning District**. The hearing will be held at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062 and will also be available for remote participation via Google Meet:

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/xsu-pnjz-wua>
Or dial: (US) +1 941-254-1160 PIN: 402 158 920#

This Application requests a Special Permit pursuant to Zoning Bylaw Section 5.4.4 [Nonconforming Structures] to construct an addition to the existing single family residence that would create an increase in floor area that exceeds 25%.

Any zoning relief that may be required in adherence to the Norwood Zoning Bylaw shall be considered by the Board. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and make their views known to the Board.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeals and may be requested by emailing cped@norwoodma.gov Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Norwood Record: 07/13/23, 07/20/23

Monday, July 10

1311 Walk-In - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Big Y Foods, Inc. - Walpole St Walk in reporting gift cards that were stolen from her bag.
 1856 Phone - Parking Violation Spoken To Location/Address: Saab's Market - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports multiple handicap parking violations. N664 responding. Violators were employees of businesses there. They were advised.
 2312 Phone - Well Being Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Atlantic Coast Electric - Winslow Ave Caller who came to the station earlier on a 209A matter that was not a violation is claiming he feels unsafe and threatened. N666 and N665 responding. The area was checked with negative results. Caller advised.

Tuesday, July 11

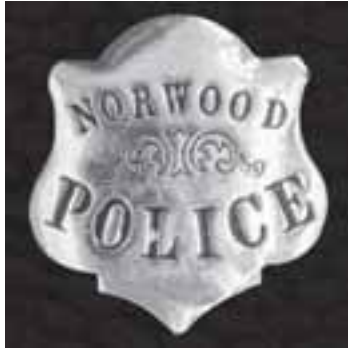
1120 Phone - Well Being Check Spoken To Location/Address: Stop & Shop - Bos-Prov Hwy Calling concerned about pan-handlers in the roadway. N667 spoke to those parties and advised them to stay out of the middle of the street.
 1500 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Nahatan St Walk in seeking advice on a an RO that was amended. N668 spoke to that party he was advised to have the girlfriend seek a HPO against the brother.
 1608 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Verizon Wireless - Bos-Prov Hwy Employee reports stolen demo phones earlier. N666 responding.
 1651 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Coach Lane Caller states there have been juveniles riding dirt bikes around the area all day. N676 and N665 responding. N676 spoke to a male party who advised it was his sister on an electric bicycle.
 1702 Other - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Pleasant St BCI, MSP, N666, and N663 to serve arrest warrant. Refer To Arrest: 23-215-AR Arrest: Decosta, Anthony F Address: 120 Pleasant St Norwood, Ma Age: 36 Charges: Warrant Arrest
 1728 Phone - Complaint of MV Spoken To Location/Address:

Robinwood Rd Caller reports vehicle on the public way with no registration. N665 responding. N665 spoke to owner who is on his way home to move the vehicle.
 1816 Phone - Assist Citizen Area Search Negative Location/Address: Coach Lane Caller reports dirt bikes on the public way again. N664 responding.
 1837 Walk-In - Lost And Found Services Rendered Location/Address: Victoria Haven Nursing Home - Nichols St Walk in turns in a found cell phone. Was able to contact someone who called the phone and told them the phone was turned into the police. That person stated they would contact the phone owner with phone's location.
 1847 911 - Report Of Fight Spoken To Location/Address: Hawes Pool - Washington St Multiple calls regarding a fight in progress. N676, N669, N664 and N661 responding. N676 reports verbal argument between two adults.
 2115 911 - Well Being Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Upland Rd + Clapboardtree St Citizen observes disoriented male party walking in the street. N661 and N664 responding. N664 later discovered male party was a client of Norwood Health Care. Male party was evaluated by NFD who also responded to the scene. He was later returned home. HESSCO and family were notified.
 2310 Phone - Well Being Check Spoken To Location/Address: Washington St Caller reports male party vomiting in the back of the building. N665 and N669 responding. N665 spoke to male party who lives there and was outside smoking.

Wednesday, July 12

0103 Phone - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Boch Collision Center - Bos-Prov Hwy Alarm company reports 2 people walking around without permission. Officers spoke with the two contractors working in the building. They were advised to speak with the key holder regarding the ongoing issue with security.
 0119 Initiated - Traffic Enforce-

Police Logs



ment *Report Filed Location/Address: Bos-Prov Hwy + Ellis Ave Officer stopped a motorcycle without registration plates, operator with a suspended license. Operator was arrested, report filed. The motorcycle was towed to the station. Arrest: Holloway, Donte Address: 60 Valley St Providence, RI Age: 26 Charges: Dangerous Weapon, Carry Unregistered Motor Vehicle * C90 S9 Uninsured Motor Vehicle C90 S34J License Suspended, Op MV With C90 S23 Lights Violation, MV * C90 S7
 0932 Initiated - Animal Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Central St + E Vernon St Dog in vehicle. N664 spoke to the owner and the dog is fine.
 1109 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Railroad Ave Caller seeking advice on the kids hanging around one of the businesses near his residence. N665 spoke to that party and reports caller is seeking extra checks of the area.
 1252 Phone - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Morrill Memorial Library - Walpole St Caller reports suspicious material being printed. N664 spoke that party he checks out and has provided proper documentation.
 1315 911 - Found Syringe Services Rendered Location/Address: Nahatan St Caller reports a needle in the dumpster. Items retrieved and disposed of.
 1814 Phone - Well Being Check Spoken To Location/Address: Norwest Dr Father requesting check on his daughter because child's mother won't answer the phone. Father was advised to report matter to probate. N669 and N667 responding. N669 reports mother and child are fine and mother will report this incident to probate as this is an ongoing issue.
 2111 Initiated - Traffic Enforcement *Complaint/Summons Location/Address: Washington St + Howard St MA Reg 3VJE77. N666 informs vehicle is revoked. N669 provides courtesy transport to Columbine Rd. Don and Wally's tows the vehicle. See report.
 2345 Phone - Assist Citizen Assisted Party Location/Address: Granite St Landlord/Tenant Issues. Ongoing issues between landlord and tenant. N669 advised landlord of their options and satisfied. All units clear.

Thursday, July 13

0042 Phone - Well Being Check Returned Home Location/Address: Walgreens #18231 - Walpole St Passer by requesting well-being check on male party who seemed to be laying on the sidewalk, and once on his feet was stumbling all over the sidewalk. Wearing blue shirt, black shorts, and baseball hat. N667 responds. Male party was spoken to, and returned home. Male's mother will be looking after him for the evening. All units clear.
 1035 Phone - Trespassing Services Rendered Location/Address: Rock St Caller reports that the caretaker of the home reported to her that her nephew had made entry into the home and was staying there. Nephew was advised and sent on his way. Caller satisfied.
 1124 Phone - Animal Complaint Gone On Arrival Location/Address Big Y Foods, Inc. - Walpole St Dog left in a white Jeep Wrangler for an extended amount of time.
 1340 Phone - Auto Theft *Report Filed Location/Address: Engamore Ln Caller reports that their car was stolen in Boston and an app is saying it's in Norwood. Caller was advised to report the vehicle stolen in Boston. N667 and N668 locate the vehicle. N667 stayed with the vehicle. Don and Wally's towed the vehicle. Report filed.
 1939 911 - Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Oolah Ave Dispute involving juveniles loitering. All parties involved advised.

Friday, July 14

0710 Phone - Missing Person *Report Filed Location/Address: Atwood Ave Caller seeking advice on juvenile son who did not return home. N663 checked two possible addresses party may be at with negative results.
 1002 Radio - Assist Citizen *Report Filed Location/Address: Prospect St Portable 486 reports a toddler unattended. N665 responded and located the mother of that child. Report to be filed.
 1044 911 - Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Winter St Caller reports a raccoon is under her sink. ACO notified and N668 responded. Animal was removed from residence.
 1935 Walk-In - Hit And Run Services Rendered Location/Address: Warthin Cir Hit and run property damage, granite mailbox stand, no suspect information. Officer conducted canvass, negative results.
 2323 Phone - Disturbance *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: St John Ave Report of a male party outside causing a disturbance. N667 placed one party under arrest and transported him to the station. Arrest: Sales, Garfield Ivory II Address: 30 St John Ave Apt. #1 Norwood, Ma Age: 23 Charges: Disorderly Conduct Resist Arrest Drug, Possess Class B

Saturday, July 15

0732 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Oldham School - Prospect St Custodian reports smashed

bricks on ground. N667 states no damage to building, extra checks to be conducted.
 0907 911 - Report Of Fight *Report Filed Location/Address: United Parcel Service (Security) - University Ave 911 transfer for a report of a fight in progress. Call disconnected before obtaining further. N669, N665, N663, and N667 responded. NFD responded for evaluation. One party transported for minor injuries. Report filed.
 1355 Other - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Norwood Police Dept. - Nahatan St One female transported under arrest from Logan International Airport to the station S/M 50378 at 1707, E/M 50403 at 1746. Arrest: Decosta, Lisa Ann Address: 120 Pleasant St Norwood, Ma Age: 60 Charges: Warrant Arrest
 1801 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Group Moved Location/Address: Shurfine Market - Nahatan St Employee reports group of juveniles out front throwing soda cans.
 2223 911 - Neighbor Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Roosevelt Ave Landlord upset with tenant, issue over discarded cigarettes. Landlord advised of options, tenant not home.

Sunday, July 16

0024 Phone - Assaults *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Oolah Ave Caller reports her father had an altercation with a neighbor and was assaulted Arrest: Chutan, Eduardo Address: 1161 Washington St Apt. #3d Norwood, Ma Age: 61 Charges: Assault W/Dangerous Weapon Animal, Cruelty To Assault A&B To Collect Loan
 0655 Phone - Unwanted Party Spoken To Location/Address: Walpole St Female caller reports the child's father is at her house and won't leave. Officers stood by until caller was able to leave
 0958 Phone - Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Guild St Caller reports she can hear her upstairs neighbors arguing. N665 reports that was verbal in nature over plans for a birthday party.
 1313 911 - Auto Theft *Report Filed Location/Address: NICHOLS ST Caller reports vehicle was taken last night. MA PC 4DPX74.
 1750 Phone - Malicious Damage *Report Filed Location/Address: Nahatan St Party in the lobby reports her vehicle was keyed last Thursday.
 1916 Walk-In - Recovered MV *Report Filed Location/Address: Nichols St Party in the lobby reports his vehicle reported stolen today was left at his residence. MA PC 4DPX74 removed from NCIC.
 2038 911 - Motor Vehicle Accident *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Upland Rd + Moderna Way NFD responded. Don and Wally's towed MA PC 3RRX75. Negoshian's towed NY PC KAS6422. As a result, N669 placed one party under arrest and transported him to the station. Arrest: Da Silva, Tiago Ferreira Address: 28 Oolah Ave Apt. #2 Norwood, Ma Age: 30 Charges: Unlicensed Operation Of MV C90 S10 Negligent Operation Of Motor Vehicle C90 S24(2)(A) OUI-Liquor OR .08% C90 S24(1)(A)(1) Alcohol In MV, Possess Open Container

**TOWN OF NORWOOD
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 PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on **August 1, 2023 at 7:00 PM** on the request of Lenny Gillis regarding property located at **9 Phillips Ave (Map 3 Block 10 Lot 16), Norwood, MA 02062**, in the **General Residence (G) Zoning District**. The hearing will be held at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062 and will also be available for remote participation via Google Meet:

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This Application requests a Special Permit pursuant to Zoning Bylaw Section 5.4.4 [Nonconforming Structures] to construct an addition to the existing single family residence that would create an increase in floor area that exceeds 25% .

Any zoning relief that may be required in adherence to the Norwood Zoning Bylaw shall be considered by the Board. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and make their views known to the Board.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeals and may be requested by emailing cped@norwoodma.gov Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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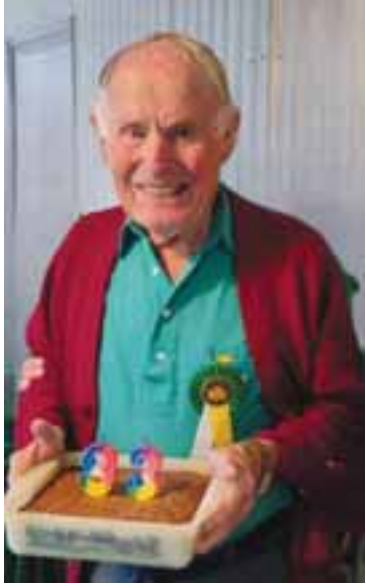
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MICHAEL Patrick of Norwood, Duxbury and Florida passed away suddenly on July 10, 2023 at the age of 93. Beloved husband of the late Chrissie (Hanley) Kelliher. Devoted father of Mary K Guiney and her husband Steven of Plymouth, Kathleen Kelliher and her husband Philip Irvine of London, England, Tricia Algieri and her husband Ron of Florida, Eileen Kelliher of Duxbury and the late Brendan Kelliher. Cherished grandfather of 10 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Longtime companion of Maureen Meany of Chestnut Hill. Son of the late Timothy W. and Bridget (Moynihan) Kelliher. Brother of the late Dan, Andy, Patrick (PJ), Ted, Malachy, Frank, Mary

O’Sullivan, Ciss O’Connor, Nora Kirby and Theresa O’Connor. Michael was born in County Kerry, Ireland and emigrated to America in 1951 at the age of 20. Eight members of the Kelliher family emigrated to Norwood and provided lifelong support to each other as they built new lives as Americans. He met his wife Chrissie at a dance at the Hibernian Hall in Dudley Square in Roxbury. He earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Electrical Engineering from Northeastern University and spent his career as an engineer at GTE/Sylvania. He was an enthusiastic ball room dancer and loved playing shuffleboard and cornhole. In the summer, he enjoyed playing horse-shoes, especially during regular large Sunday gatherings at his cottage in Duxbury. Mike used his carpentry and engineering skills to undertake many home improvement projects for family and friends. He had a project every day until the day he died. He was a member of the Irish Social Club in West Roxbury and was a proud veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA.. Burial at the Highland Cemetery in Norwood. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to American Cancer Society or to a charity of your choice.

Deaths

OLIVERIO



MARGARET “Maggie” H. (Palano) of Norwood passed away on July 11, 2023 at the age of 91. Beloved wife of the late Joseph S. Oliverio. Devoted mother of Lisa Mulvehill and her partner Michael Stripling of Norwood, Donna Boch and her husband Robert of Plymouth and Julie Dallaire and her husband James of N. Attleboro. Daughter of the late Philip and Catherine (Nassisi) Palano. Sister of the late Joseph, Charles and James Palano and the late Pauline Silipigno. Cherished grandmother of Joseph Boch and his wife Elaine of TX, Erin Fallon and her husband Matthew of Foxboro, Anthony Boch and his partner Kristen Luer of NJ, Kelly Mulvehill and her partner Daniel Morgan of Australia and Jake Dallaire of N. Attleboro. Great grandmother of Reese Boch and Evelyn Fallon. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. The

family would like to give special thanks to her devoted caregiver Victoria, her hospice nurse Anda and the staff at Traditions of Dedham and the staff at Victoria Haven Nursing Home in Norwood. All services will be private. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood, MA. www.kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105-9959. www.stjude.org

Piazza. Brother of James Piazza of Norwood, Concetta Cianci of Wrentham and the late Mary Freni, Theresa Cavallaro and Elena Piazza. Cherished grandfather of Nicole Tank, Lawrence J. Piazza II, Anthony Piazza and Adrienne Tank. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Salvatore was born in Boston and had many adventures roaming the streets of the West End. As a young man, Sal enlisted in the U.S. Navy as a Seabee and served in Africa building roads, bridges and other structures. Here, Sal mastered the trade of air conditioning and refrigeration. After military service, he raised his family in Norwood and worked as a floor manager at a up and coming high tech electronics firm. Sal enjoyed home improvement projects, building small scale models and restoring motorcycles and cars with his son. He was blessed to live the past 20 years with his daughter and her family in Texas. Salvatore was a member of the Mason’s Delta Lodge in Braintree and The Fellowship Church in Round Rock, TX. Visiting hours will be held on Friday, July 21, 2023 from 5-8 pm at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. A graveside service will be held on Saturday, July 22, 2023 11am at Highland Cemetery 320 Winter St. Norwood, MA 02062. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the American Heart Association.

PIAZZA



SALVATORE L. of Texas, formerly of Norwood, passed away on July 13, 2023 at the age of 85. Beloved husband of the late Antoinette (Puopolo) Piazza. Devoted father of Lawrence J. Piazza and his wife Lisa of Foxboro and Andrea M. Tank and her husband Michael of TX. Son of the late Ignazio and Rose (Alfieri)



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