



Representatives from Boch presented the full plans for the mausoleum, which included air vents.

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Boch upgrading family mausoleum

Household Hazardous Waste Day set for May 8

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Representatives of the Boch family came before the Board of Health (BOH) on April 20 to request approval for changes to the Boch property's current mausoleum at the corner of Sumner and Suffolk Street.

The burial site currently holds the ashes of three Boch family members and would be set up to hold a total of six, either in urns or caskets. Representative Mark Bobrowski said the changes require the approval of the BOH, the Conservation Commission and, eventually, Town Meeting.

"This was a project long in the making and it's taken a considerable amount of negotiation with Dave DeLuca, your Town Counsel, to figure out exactly what we should do," Bobrowski said. "As you can well appreciate, this is not something that happens every day."

Bobrowski was questioned on whether the Boch family had prior approval for the storage of human remains in the form of ashes before this, to which he said it's common practice for ashes to be stored where the family deems fit. He said his mother currently keeps his father's

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About 20 or 30 residents came out on April 24 to clean up the Oldham School area and, consequently, this decomposed couch in the woods nearby.

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Norwood Earth Day Cleanup postponed to May 2

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Earth Day Cleanup originally scheduled for Sunday, April 25 has been postponed due to rain to May 2 in about a dozen locations across Norwood.

Progress Norwood representative Katie Neal-Rizzo said they gave their site organizers the option to reschedule on May 2 or April 24 depending on their group members' availability, and two groups – the Oldham Elementary group and the Upland Road group – opted to go last Saturday, April 24. But now, Neal-Rizzo said the majority of

volunteers are getting ready for May 2, and there are still several spots available for those looking to help out or, at the very least, get out of the house.

"We have 13 sites we're doing cleanups at this year," Neal-Rizzo said.

She said any interested residents can go to tinyurl.com/norwoodearthday2021 to pick out a location and a group. The group sizes are limited to keep to social distancing, and she said they could still use some more help at a number of sites. The cleanups will go from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., and bags will be provided. Gloves will

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Planning Board shooting for June TM for Rte. 1 rezoning

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Planning Board met on Monday, April 26 and discussed two of the main issues facing the proposed Route 1 Rezoning effort.

The proposal was sent back to the Planning Board after it could not garner enough support to pass at the February Town Meeting. Town Meeting members opposed the measure mainly because of increased density around three proposed mixed-use overlay districts at three intersections and of unclear setbacks from commercial prop-

erties that would be encapsulated by the new Boston Providence Highway District (BPHD) proposed for the area.

Town Planner Paul Halkiotis said he does not believe there should be anything to stop the Board from presenting the rezoning proposal at the June Special Town Meeting, and he would start to organize public hearings and informational sessions before the Town Meeting vote so that residents and Town Meeting members can be fully aware of the changes to the proposal and be

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If all goes well, housing could be coming to this or two other intersections along Route 1.

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Con Com to consider prohibiting hunting, trapping and building

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

The Conservation Commission (Con Com) met virtually on Wednesday, April 21 to discuss prohibiting hunting and trapping on conservation property after a shelter, a trapped animal and a shell casing were discovered on land off of University Avenue.

Conservation Agent Holly Jones said the Town's Animal Control Officer addressed the issue of a trapped animal to Chair Steve Washburn. She said she researched the issue to see if hunting or trapping is allowed on conservation land and learned that "any type of snare trap that grabs an animal by one part of its body is illegal in the state of Massachusetts."

"We also have a Town general bylaw that prohibits the discharge of firearms on Town property," she continued, "unless someone is granted permission by the Board of Selectmen to do so."

Jones noted that there has been bow hunting on the University Avenue property. She also reached out to the Norwood Sportsmen's Club to see if regulations should be instituted.

"(The sportsmen's club president) didn't believe regulating hunting on conservation property would have much of



The Conservation Commission wants to see if residents want conservation land to be hunter-free.

COURTESY PHOTO

an impact either way," she said, noting that the person she spoke with said that Norwood hunters tend to go out of state or hunt on private property. A permit would be needed to hunt, no matter what type of weapon is used.

Washburn noted that he visited the parcel over the past week and discovered a wooden structure that was on a 20-foot by 20-foot portion of land.

"I found that structure to be a lot more impressive than I could derive from the photography," he explained. "There were certainly large-gauge nails, almost like railroad spikes, used to drag some of the timbers together."

Washburn said he also found

a shovel there, which he believed was used to dig the 12-inch holes for the beams that supported the structure. He also saw "a discharged 12-gauge shell of some sort."

John Gear said that the only time trapping is permitted is with "nuisance issues" and is usually through the Board of Health. One such case he mentioned was at the Norwood Memorial Airport, where a large beaver population was setting up dams and blocking the runways and turnaround areas.

Peter Bamber noted that there is a trail being planned for University Avenue, which would

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Selectmen vote to add two more Airport Commissioners

Concert Committees combined into one unit

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met on April 27 and voted 4-1 with Chair Thomas Maloney opposed to expand the Norwood Airport Commission (NAC) by two seats.

The airport commission expansion wasn't on the original evening's agenda. The Board voted unanimously to approve eight other positions including Department of Public Works Director Mark Ryan to the position of Graves Custodian and Veterans Agent Ted Mulvehill to the position of Soldiers Relief Agent, but Selectman David Hajjar said he felt the NAC needed more seats, and the majority of Selectmen agreed.

"I would like to recommend that we reestablish and reorganize a five-member board in compliance with Massachusetts state law," Hajjar said. "I think we have an opportunity to add new and different blood that could help. I think it would reduce the reliance on three members. If one member is absent, it's just not good. The five gives a little bit more flexibility and assistance as far as input and recommendations to the Board from residents of the Town."

Chair Thomas Maloney said he was wary of expanding the Commission, since it had been tried before.

"Historically it was five and then we expanded it to nine members, perhaps eight years ago, and that didn't work out too well I guess," Maloney said.

"A couple of years back now we thought it made sense to reduce it to the current three," said Selectman Bill Plasko. "I typically think that five is the ideal number for committees. Three is not enough, seven, nine, or 11 is too many... I think some of the reasons we thought – at least here I'm speaking for myself – I thought the three might work out better and it has worked fairly well. I still think it's time to reorganize and have that ideal number of five if we can. The trick is going to be getting people to volunteer and serve."

Maloney said he felt if three members were working well, why rock the boat?

"Is a body of three members who are operating well not ideal?" he asked.

Selectman Matt Lane said he felt that there's a good deal of activity at the airport and felt it might be quite a workload for just three members.

"There's a lot to it," he said. If we can get two additional people as assets I think that would be great, but I think

that's going to be a challenge. I would be okay with a five-person board, but I think if we're sitting here in a couple of months and we don't have the people for it, I think that's telling."

Plasko added that studies have shown five-member boards work the best in municipal government.

"My belief from experience of seeing different bodies work five is best, and also there are actually studies on this that have come to the conclusion that five is the best number," he said.

Town Manager Tony Mazzucco confirmed Hajjar's understanding that an airport commissioner does not legally have to live in the Town.

Maloney said he didn't feel it was necessary and voted in opposition because he felt that both Corcoran and Ryan deserved the prescribed three-year terms. Instead, because of the reorganization, Ryan was appointed for two years and Corcoran for three. The remaining three-year and one-year terms were left vacant for future possible appointments.

In other news at the meeting, Mazzucco said the Town is considering consolidating its three concert committees – the Carillon Concert Committee, the Sunday Concerts and Winter Concerts Committee and the Summerfest Concerts Committee.

"Everyone has sort of gotten together and decided, we've talked about it for a while, it's time to combine the concerts committees and have one committee filled with volunteers just running different programs," he said. "All the programs would remain the same. As we all know, some get a Town appropriation and some don't. There's also some fundraising that goes on. We often send out multiple notices about which concerts are happening and when and we get calls about it. So everyone has gotten together and figured out that the best way to share resources going forward is to have one concert committee."

Mazzucco said volunteers will have the option of volunteering for just one program or the whole committee and not much should change, besides the names.

"We're certainly always looking for volunteers; there's always a lot of work to get done," he said.

Sunday Concerts organizers Paul Eysie and David Tuttle said this was something they and Mazzucco were working on at the direction of the late former Assistant Town Manger Bernie Cooper.

"I'm going to be honest with you, this is an old idea that we had discussed, the whole concert committee, for many, many years," Eysie said. "The reason I stand behind this is – you know we lost Bernie Cooper, and this concert program, the summer and winter, that's part of his legacy. I want to make sure that if I'm not here or someone's not here that these programs do not fade away. We want them to prosper. So, I think it's a great idea to have these three programs under one umbrella."

Tuttle concurred that this was an idea that they had been bouncing around with Cooper and the Town for many years.

"Combining the committees was the last conversation I had with Bernie, sadly," he said. "It was something he was really pushing and something he wanted us to work on."

Eysie pointed out Mazzucco's apparent love of the local music, as he said he was at every concert Eysie himself had attended and perhaps more.

"I think he sees the value in all these three programs and I have to thank him for being the backbone of the concert committees," he said.

Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue also took a moment to thank Town Carillonneur Lee Leach for his music that permeates Norwood and, in particular, during Cooper's funeral procession to the Highland Cemetery.



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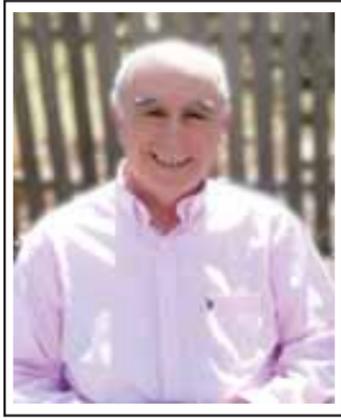
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Chickin Lickin

It was just a casual reference uttered amongst a group of friends. Traveling by car from Florida back to Boston last month on I-95, he and his wife stopped at a no-frills place in Hardeeville, South Carolina, for a bite to eat. It seems that a friend of theirs had made a suggestion that the little dive, in between two gas stations at the Hardee exit, had some scrumptious fried chicken.



My Kind of Town/ Joe Galeota

As a guy who was deprived of fried chicken his whole youth because of the belief then that fried foods were bad for my father's ulcers, growing up I had only boiled and roasted chicken—indeed nothing to salivate about. Yes, I have driven three times down, back and forth on I-95 though Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina—once from Washington, D.C., to Reverend King's funeral, and twice from Boston to Disney World. But I can't remember any stops memorable for their food and/or prices.

So this somewhat diet-conscious friend of mine, who usually waxes eloquent about the gustatory delights that only homemade pies, fresh donuts, and gins-and-tonic provide, went on and on about how he

should have ordered more for himself and his wife Shelly: he never had such tasty fried chicken in his life.

Chickin Lickin—it's not a spelling mistake, that's the way it's spelled—does have a website: its prices are very moderate by Boston's standards. Various evaluations tout the outstanding quality of the food at this small place with both counter and patio seating.

At one time it used to open late in the day on Sundays,

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Letters to the Editor

RESIDENTS NEED TO KNOW THE FACTS ABOUT NORWOOD AIRPORT

To the Editor:

The Norwood Airport Commission (NAC) has been embroiled in lawsuits, violations of federal and state law, and controversy, for over 20 years. Recently the Town settled a suit for \$750,000.00 regarding retaliation. Millions of taxpayer dollars have been spent defending the Airport Commission and Manager. Nothing has changed.

Some facts: The NAC and the Monopoly fuel provider have a Joint Defense Agreement, you pay for, against our Company. The Airport Manager Maguire, and DPW Superintendent/Town Engineer/NAC Chairman, Ryan, have been involved and responsible for the violations of the law, retaliation, illegal collusion and sweetheart deals at the airport. Recently Ryan was bold enough to represent Flight Level Norwood, LLC. in front of the planning Board. <http://173.13.93.5:1500/CablecastPublicSite/show/10422?channel=3>

On July 15, 2020 I filed an Ethics complaint regarding Ryan and his actions, which can be found here: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/o3iez4qetk61jp0/AACftdfk9GsF0I9d8ZikiohPa?dl=0>

On March 13, 2021 we were again forced to file a lawsuit against Ryan, Maguire and others, for fraud. True to form, Maguire spun another tale of lies in retaliation. My response can be found here: [https://1drv.ms/u/s!Au7-](https://1drv.ms/u/s!Au7-5VtGAEr5gfg9pJ1QE3l9DSwc3g?e=4U8CN9)

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The first helicopter that flew "low" over Ryan's house was not even in the USA at the time. Ryan again made this claim, citing a "Battle" with me, which the FAA dismissed after he exposed his true intentions.

I send emails to expose the fraud, lies, retaliation and illegal actions of the Airport. I also post these on a public website for everyone to make their own assessment of the airport. Feel free to review at www.norwoodairport.com. Maguire and the NAC do not like their actions exposed and freedom of speech.

The "stalking" of Mark Ryan at his "personal residence" was actually pointing out he no longer lives in Norwood, using his Town supplied SUV to commute 140 miles each day from his residence in Falmouth. The "personal attacks, provocations and characterizations" of Maguire and others can all be viewed on the web site. Another example of Maguire retaliating for our free speech rights, pointing out the illegal actions of many. The truth.

The Board Of Selectmen appoint the NAC, the Airport Manager is a Town Employee. After 20 years of illegal activity, millions spent defending the same individuals, and the destruction of the Norwood Airport, it would benefit everyone to appoint new management. Contrary to past claims, the airport is a hidden gem, not just for the rich and privileged. It is your airport. You pay the bills and suffer the loss from years of mismanagement.

Christopher Donovan

Rte. 1 Rezoning *continued from page 1*

reminded of the full plan.

Halkiotis said he and members of the Board drove through the proposed zoning district and, after looking at the area, they came up with a good average for property and building setback between commercial properties within the BPHD and abutting residential zones.

Halkiotis said in the previous draft of the zoning bylaw, the "waters were a little bit muddied" by exceptions to rules or expansions of them. He, board member Ernie Paciorkowski and member Brian Hachy proposed a simplified solution: to require a 75-foot total setback between the residential property lines and the commercial building structure and a 25-foot buffer of vegetation or berms separating the residential property line from the BPHD-line itself. No structures could be built in that 50-foot buffer, but asphalt would be allowed. Halkiotis said the 25-foot buffer would be a "no-touch" green buffer.

"There could be plantings,

fences, it could be a combination of fences, plantings and landscape berms to buffer commercial activities, sound, headlights, noise, that kind of thing from residents in the residential district," he said.

Basically, Halkiotis said this split approach would allow for building access to fire trucks, loading trucks and parking that were allowed in footnotes that were confusing and jumbled before. He said this streamlines both needs in the bylaw: those of residents and those of commercial property owners.

"In that other 50 feet, from the green buffer to the building line, that area could be used for loading and provide a fire lane," he said. "There would be allowed some parking, loading and a fire lane, but once you hit that 25-foot line, that's where that no-touch, pretty intense buffer and fencing has to be."

Halkiotis added that when a side lot line abuts a residential lot line, the 75-foot buffer would apply to that in the same way as well.

Board member Joseph Sheehan asked why they wouldn't be able to set the green buffer at 30 feet and 50 feet, and Halkiotis and Paciorkowski said they did not see why not, and changed the buffer from 25 feet to 30. Halkiotis added that these green buffers have to be substantive, and no deciduous trees or shrubs could be used – evergreens only.

The other divisive issue on the rezoning effort was the

Mixed-Use Overlay Districts (MUOD). At February's Town Meeting, members were concerned at the increase in density over what is on Route 1 now and how that could affect traffic. Town Meeting Members did want to try to vote on just the rezoning effort and leave the MUOD alone, but the nature of the Town Meeting Article and Town Meeting procedures basically made that impossible.

So, the Planning Board decided to follow the example of Westwood and give Town Meeting Members a menu option. The three proposed MUODs would be put in separate warrant articles (along with a separate article for the rezoning itself) so that TM members can hash out which of the three districts they feel are appropriate for growth. The Board decided to first place the rezoning article, then the MUOD for the Everett Street intersection, then the MUOD for the Nahattan/Neponset district and finally the Vanderbilt proposed MUOD.

The density for the Route 1 MUODs would be greater than what's currently allowed in the Downtown MUOD, as developers are now saying the density bonuses there are not enough to warrant increasing the housing stock there.

Halkiotis said information sessions and public hearings on the rezoning effort will start to be scheduled next week when the new Assistant Town Planner starts work.



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bring up concerns if bow hunting were to continue there.

"It could be a bit of a dangerous situation," he said. "I would suggest that it either be limited to 'X' days a week or not at all."

Because of these concerns, Gear suggested banning hunting, as University Avenue would be the only site in Norwood where it could occur. Bamber said he did not want to institute a policy without public feedback, so the Con Com voted 6-0 to hold a public hearing on this and other regulatory policies to institute for public feedback on Wed. June 30. Meetings beforehand will include proposed regulatory changes on hunting, trapping, structure building and the fee schedule to inform the public.

Regarding the fort-like structure, Washburn said there was "a considerable amount of disturbance that occurred" by its being built, including cutting down some trees and building a fire pit. If the building was removed, a seed mix potentially could be put down to replicate what had been lost, along with transplanted plants and shrubs.

"I don't see how – and I'm very open-minded – that we could proceed in any other direction than to remove the structure and to condemn this type of disturbance on our properties in the future," he added. "A big element of this is public education about what you can and can't do on these properties."

The committee voted 6-0 to seek DPW support to remove the structure.

Another issue raised by Jones was that she received notification from the Norfolk County Mosquito Control District (NCMCD) about doing ditch maintenance work at the airport. They are planning to dredge the ditches there, which they haven't done in about 10 years. This will allow for removal of the sediment from the tarmac of the runways.

"The goal is to allow water to flow more easily and to reduce potential mosquito habitat around the airport," she said. Although Con Com doesn't have regulatory control over mosquito control, the NCMCD asked for its advice.

Washburn thought it would be a "phenomenal opportunity"

to have a public outreach session to educate people about mosquito control and related concerns.

Carly Rocklen asked if there were any endangered species of plants that could be in the sediment. Jones said it is her understanding that there is an endangered species on the property where the dredging is being considered. She could not publicly name it because of state regulations, specifically because people might seek it out.

She added that the state would have purview over the situation via the Massachusetts Regulatory Species Act. Jones will invite the NCMCD to its May 19 meeting and will reach out to them about the dredging "right away."

The next Con Com meeting will be on Wed. May 5.

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around 4 p.m., presumably to afford its workers to attend church services and enjoy some rest on the Sabbath. But, according to its website, the owners seemed to have succumbed to the American mantra of opening early in the morning every day of the week.

Now that just about everybody is getting vaccinated, you may be entertaining ideas of driving to Florida before the intense heat of summer. You can rest assured that if I'm ever again on I-95 South, a number of miles beyond the frequently advertised "South of the Border" stop for fireworks, tee-shirts, souvenirs, restaurants, mini-golf, and reptile park, this Yankee is going to pull over, ask for a menu and a large lemonade, present my order, take out my wallet, and ask for extra napkins at you-know-where.



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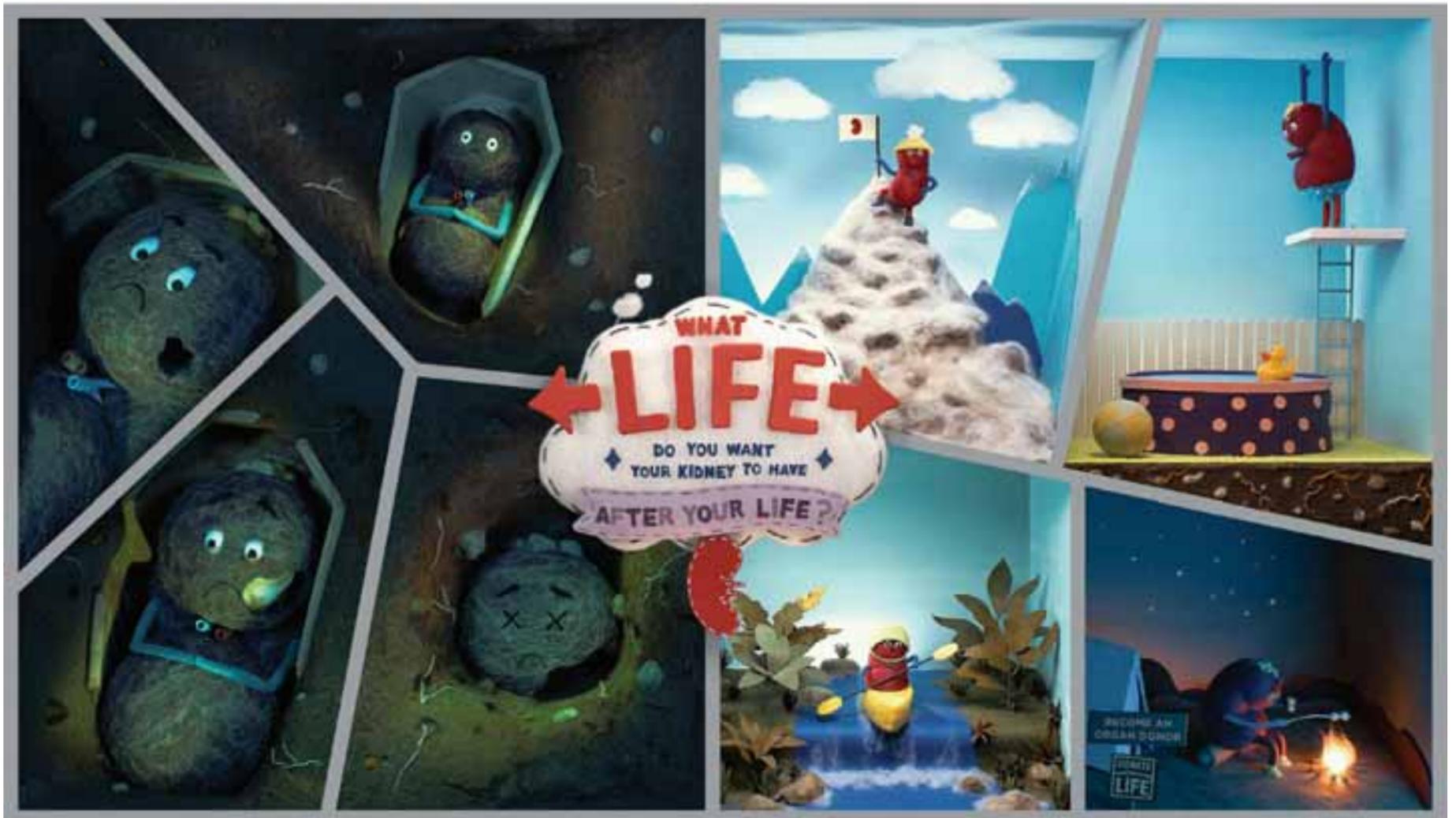
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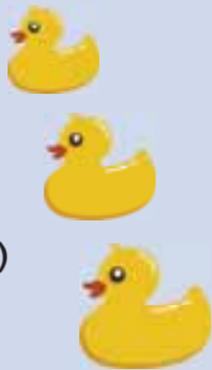


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Many residents saw the upkeep of the Town as a family affair and employed the help of both young and old to get the job done.

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be provided for adults, but Neal-Rizzo said they ran out of gloves for kids.

Already, Neal-Rizzo said the signup sheet is looking good and should be a marked improvement compared to last year's individual virtual cleanups that had to take place because of the pandemic.

"Last year we sent people out by themselves and so, understandably, we didn't get a huge turnout," she said. "People just went with their families and picked up supplies from my house. This year, we felt confident that we can stay socially distant and masked, now that everyone has guidelines on how to stay safe outdoors."

She added that this year they took recommendations from residents on which areas of Town could use some tender love and care, including from the Norwood Trails Advisory Committee.

"And so we're also going to the trail along Trap Hole Brook by Pezwick Park," she said. "There are also a couple of new sites we're paying attention to as well."

Neal-Rizzo said that during the cleanups the group is also hosting its rain barrel sale. She said this year they helped the rain barrel company sell 119 barrels to help residents use less water during the summer to water their lawns and gardens, as opposed to 35 barrels last year.

Saturday's cleanup, while smaller than this weekend's, still saw a large amount of trash removed. Group coordinator Julie Barbour-Issa said she, her husband and two children Aida and Max removed the remains of a couch from the woods by the Oldham School, as well as several metal fragments and several wooden two-by-fours with nails in them.

"It's kind of near a playground so that freaked me out," she said. "We had about six or seven families come today to clean up, and we found lots of masks, dog poop bags and plenty of other scraps. But it's a nice sunny day for a cleanup."

Barbour-Issa said she's participated every year Progress Norwood has had the cleanups, and she said it's always a great way to kick off the spring season.

"Every year we get different families involved, which is good, and we even get people coming by to ask what we're doing and

so even if we don't get people involved in the cleanup, they see us cleaning up and hopefully they choose not to litter themselves," she said.

Volunteer Linda Nolan said this was her first time helping out.

"I just wanted to help out, get some exercise and, while this is not my daughter's school, this is my neighborhood school," she said. "I do think Norwood's a great Town, and it's just a small contribution... This weekend worked for me; it's a great opportunity and the weather cooperated."

Resident Sharon Curtis said she came out also for the first time on Saturday.

"I've been trying to do it for years," she said. "My niece invited me and it turns out she can't do today but I came out. I took my grandchildren; they're out in the woods helping the neighbors. I was so motivated to come out here today. I walk around here all the time with my grandchildren and I point out to them all the trash that's on the ground and that is just careless. It's not that the recycling blew away. We come out to the playground and I just make sure they don't litter. I'm strongly against litter and I have been my whole life."

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Public Hearing Notice Norwood Planning Board

Pursuant to Mass General law Chapter 40A section 9 and the Norwood Zoning Bylaw sections 9.4 Mixed Use Overlay District and 7.4 Major Projects, the Norwood Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday May 24, 2021 at 7:20 PM via the GoToMeeting remote meeting platform. The meeting can be accessed from the following link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/718185669> or it can be accessed by calling in at 1 (872) 240-3212, access code: 718-185-669. The Public Hearing is at the request of Mr. Luigi Sellito, C&S Realty for the construction of eight single bedroom apartments, pursuant to the Zoning Bylaw sections 9.4 Mixed Use Overlay District and 7.4 Major Projects. The property is located at 7-9 Cottage St. in the Central Business and Mixed Use Overlay Zoning Districts; as shown on the Assessor's Maps as Map 1, Sheet 11, Lot 22. A copy of the Site Plan, application, and all other accompanying information is available for review in the Planning Department from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Monday - Friday.

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ashes on the mantle above her fireplace, for example.

However, the plan states that allowances are being made for the use of traditional wooden caskets and sealed caskets that use a permeable "burp valve" (as completely sealed caskets have been known to explode from the buildup of gases created by the breaking down of the human body).

Bobrowski said the family is looking to add mechanical ventilation to the upper portions of the vaults. This system would be aided by a natural convection incorporated in the design of the structure and push any gases out of the vault and building to the outside of the structure. The plan also would verify that said ventilation outlets would be confirmed to not be blocked by anything on the outside.

Health Department Director Sigalle Reiss said the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has guidance on these issues.

"Since it's rare for local boards of health to deal with," she said. "So looking at that criteria and the applicant, the only remaining thing – and everybody's in agreement that it is not within the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission, but Town Counsel rec-

ommended that we just get an official determination from the Conservation Commission – and so I think that's the only thing pending. Everything else is either not applicable or they've met the criteria."

Boch partner and DCD Realty Owner Michael Clemmey said the facility will be for family use only and not open to the public.

"He goes there every day or every other day and it's just another structure on his property on Sumner Street," he said.

The Board voted to approve the measure pending Conservation Commission approval.

In other news, the Board discussed the coming May 8 Household Hazardous Waste Day. Member Kathleen Bishop said there are two main issues she wanted to discuss about the drop off. Firstly, she said interested residents should pick up a resident sticker at the Norwood Department of Public Works (DPW) so that resident verification can move more quickly.

"It just makes our job a lot easier if we can just look at a

sticker on the window instead of people going through their wallets to show us something that shows they live in Norwood," she said.

Bishop also said that residents should look at the accepted items (<https://bit.ly/3gCJaG1>), as brush and leaves are not accepted.

"We just want to really make sure that people understand that on Hazardous Waste Day we do not accept leaves and brush," she said. "It happens every year, both in September and in spring. People come with leaves and brush and they're upset. We just want to let people know."

Member Caroyln Smith asked Reiss if they are looking at adding more police to direct traffic this time around, as last year the traffic backed up into Westwood.

"We need the residents to also abide by not blocking people's driveways," she said. "We get into a sort of argumentative stage where people need to get in and out and access their driveways and I would ask residents to abide by that."

Reiss said this time around



The site has been the subject of articles in the Wall Street Journal, Boston Magazine and more.

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they are not expecting so many cars because it will be one of two days this year instead of the one held last year because of COVID-19.

"We know it's very busy every year, but at this point we requested only one detail," Reiss said.

Smith said if needed they will not hesitate to call another detail in.

In other news, Public Health Sanitarian Angelo De Luca said Spot! has moved back its opening once again to the end of April, however he said that is subject to change.

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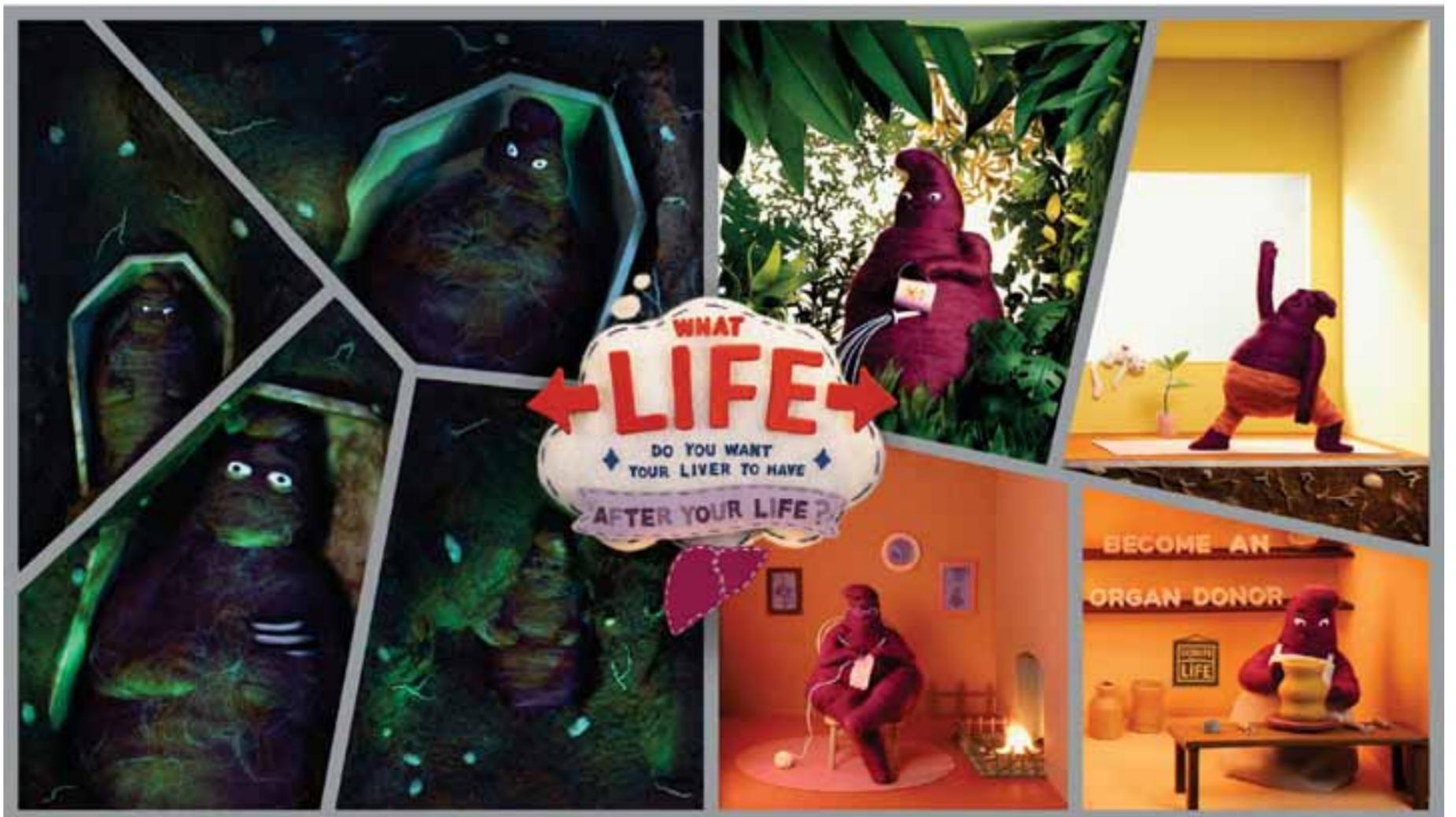
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ZOOM INTO SPRING FITNESS WITH EILEEN

It's time to shed the winter doldrums! Join the Morrill Memorial Library as we bring you Eileen's latest fitness series via Zoom. We will walk our way to fitness to improve balance, muscles and joints, along with incorporating a stretching and ballet barre routine. The only equipment needed is a chair and a smile! Stretching will tone your waist and beneficially move your muscles in all directions. Using the back of a chair as a ballet barre, we will strengthen thighs, hips and balance.

These fun and gentle exercises will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays May 18 through May 27 from 11:00-11:45 am. Registration is required; sign up for all four sessions or for whichever dates work for you. Sign up on the library's online events calendar at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or by calling the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

"HIDDEN, FREE, CHEAP, AND DEAR IN AND AROUND BOSTON"

The Morrill Memorial Library is offering a Zoom presentation on Tuesday, May 11 at 7:00pm featuring Revolutionary War reenactor and amateur tour guide Jay Bazzinotti for the seventh and final presentation in his Hidden, Free, Cheap and Dear in and around Boston series. In this program, Mr Bazzinotti will present on a few major attractions of interest within an hour (or thereabouts) of Boston.

Jay Bazzinotti is a retired technologist who has been exploring and touring Boston for more than

30 years. He is a Revolutionary War reenactor with the First NH Regiment, and spends considerable time exploring the spaces of Old Boston and its hidden secrets.

Registration for this program is required. Attendees can sign up via the Library calendar at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or by calling the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2. Zoom access details will be sent upon registration and again two days prior to the program.

RE-OPENING HOURS FOR THE THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop, located at 1091 Washington Street, Norwood, is REOPENING!

Donations will be accepted on Saturday, April 24th.

The Thrift Shop will be OPEN for RETAIL hours every Saturday in May 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th. The Thrift Shop, operated by the Women's Community Committee (WCC), is a non-profit, all volunteer organization. Donations of clean, saleable clothing and small household goods are accepted during retail hours and beginning in May, on Monday and Wednesday 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. The stated goal of the WCC is to extend a helping hand. All proceeds from the Thrift Shop are used to support local charities and civic groups.

WELCOME BACK TO LUNCH

Norwood Food Service is excited to welcome back to school all of our Norwood Students. Our food service team is excited to be #ServingUpHappyandHealthy for our Norwood School Community.

Norwood Public Schools and Chartwells are working to ensure

that school meals are one thing you don't need to worry about. You can count on us to continue serving up nutritious and delicious food that students love to eat!

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Want to be a School Lunch Hero? We are hiring a variety of positions within the School Food Service Department. For additional information call the Food Service Office at 781-440-5827 or emalick12@norwood.k12.ma.us.

NORWOOD TO PARTICIPATE IN CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM

General Manager Tony Mazzucco is pleased to announce that the Town of Norwood will participate in the MassDevelopment Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program.

The program is administered by MassDevelopment and the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources. It allows participating municipalities to finance energy improvements on commercial and industrial properties in the town.

"I am thrilled to see positive changes like this happening in our town," said Selectman David Hajjar. "We hope to see many benefits, such as job creation and business growth, as a result of this program while we simultaneously help the environment and work to reduce our energy use."

To finance energy improvements, a property owner agrees to

a betterment assessment and lien on their property, which repays the financing. This enables owners to implement low-cost, long-term funding for energy improvements with longer payback periods of up to 20 years.

At property sale, the assessment stays with the property and is transferred to the new property owners. Properties eligible for financing through PACE include commercial buildings, industrial buildings, multi-family buildings with five or more units and buildings owned by a nonprofit organization. Eligible improvements may include energy efficiency upgrades, renewable energy projects and the extension of existing natural gas distribution to a property.

"We are looking forward to participating in this innovative program," said General Manager Mazzucco. "I would like to give special thanks to the town's Management Analyst Joe Collins for his hard work in driving this initiative forward over the past few months."

To be approved for PACE Massachusetts financing, interested property owners must complete and submit a project application. Click here for more information.

NORWOOD EVENING GARDEN CLUB TO HOLD ANNUAL PLANT SALE

The Norwood Evening Garden announce that it will once again hold its annual Plant Sale on Saturday, May 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Hawes Pool Park, 1269 Washington Street in South Norwood, rain or shine.

Laura Lee, co-chair of the event said, "We're really excited we can proceed with the sale again this year. Last year was the first time we've ever had to cancel since its inception, because of Covid-19. We will all be wearing our masks - as everyone who visits the sale must - but we'll be wearing big smiles under them."

Held the day before Mother's Day, the yearly sale is an excellent opportunity to purchase a gift for Mom as well as plants for your own garden. As in past years, perennials from member gardens will be offered at reasonable prices. A large variety of locally grown herbs, organic vegetables, and annuals - including geraniums, hanging baskets and patio pots - will be offered. Canna roots and dahlia tubers will also be available. Mastercard and Visa are

accepted.

Pre-orders are being accepted until April 30. For a list of what's available or to download an order form, go to www.NorwoodEveningGardenClub.com.

Bring your questions to the sale, too. Many club members are also Massachusetts Master Gardeners who will be happy to answer your gardening questions.

Proceeds from the Plant Sale are used for the club's many civic beautification and education projects throughout Norwood. For information about the Norwood Evening Garden Club, call 781-769-3854 or visit www.NorwoodEveningGardenClub.com

NORWOOD 150 STEERING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES POTENTIAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

The Norwood 150 Steering Committee is meeting monthly to plan a year-long series of events to celebrate Norwood's 150th birthday. We are currently accepting requests for possible grants or funding assistance. If your organization or community group is planning a related celebration and would like to submit a proposal, please submit your proposal in writing (be as specific as possible, including contact information, funding amount requested, and a description of your event and how it fits with the Norwood 150 celebration) to the Norwood 150th Steering Committee at the following email address: chris@norwoodma150.gov. Proposals may also be submitted electronically on our website, <https://norwoodma150.gov/grant-application>. Proposals will be accepted until June 17th, 2021. The Steering Committee will review proposals as they are submitted and those selected will be contacted.

TOASTMASTERS CAN IMPROVE YOUR COMMUNICATION SKILLS

The Norwood Toastmasters Club, a not-for-profit educational organization is well into its 22nd year! We develop communication and leadership skills for our members and the community at every level of ability. Guests are always welcome to come and see just how we do it! Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month except December. We meet from 6:45 until 8:30 PM online via ZOOM. Please visit our website: <https://norwoodtoastmaster.toastmastersclubs.org/> for access information.



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Public Hearing Notice
Norwood Planning Board

Pursuant to Mass General law Chapter 40A section 9 and the Norwood Zoning Bylaw sections 6.2.16 (3. a & 3. b) **Freestanding Sign** and 6.2.4.2 **Internally Illuminated sign** in the Central Business District, the Norwood Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday May 24, 2021 at 7:05 PM via the GoToMeeting remote meeting platform. The meeting can be accessed from the following link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/718185669> or it can be accessed by calling in at 1 (872) 240-3212, access code: 718-185-669. The Public Hearing is at the request of Heather Dudko, Agent for Dedham Savings Bank, for the construction of a new freestanding internally illuminated sign at 185 Central St. in the Central Business Zoning Districts. The subject property is shown on the Assessor's Maps as Map 1, Sheet 2, Lot 14. A copy of the proposed sign, application, and all other accompanying information is available for review in the Planning Department from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Monday - Friday.

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BRADY



Edward J. of Dennis Port, MA passed away at the age of 88 on April 23, 2021. He leaves behind his loving wife Carolyn (Flynn) Brady and his 5 children, Mark and his wife Karen Heffernan-Brady of Westborough, MA, David Brady and his wife Diana of Fort Myers, FL and West Dennis, MA, Linda Brady and her fiancé Paul Marshall of Woburn, MA; Kevin Brady and his wife Nancy of Foxboro, MA, and Kerry (Brady) Peters and her husband Kevin of Bellingham, MA. Edward also leaves 12 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren (and 1 on the way) whom he adored, Christopher and his wife Carissa, Scott, Will, Tucker, Kate, Amanda (Brady) and her husband Brian Doherty, Jeremy and his fiancé Courtney, Shane, Christian, Daniel, Erin, Liam, Greyson and Kayden. He is also survived by his brother William Brady of Westwood, as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. Edward, born in East Boston, met Carolyn and married in June of 1957. They began their marriage in Roslindale, MA and soon moved their family to West Roxbury, and continued to raise their children in Norwood, MA while spending summers beaching and boating in Dennis Port, Cape Cod. Edward later retired from his 38-year teaching career in South Boston, Lexington, and Cambridge school districts. He and Carolyn spent 25 winters with many friends in Fort Myers, FL. His strong sense of family values, work ethic and loyalty will live on in all his family. Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 29th from 4pm-8pm at Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St. Norwood, MA 02062. Funeral Mass will be held at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Norwood on Friday, April 30th at 11am with interment to follow at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contribution may be made in Edward's honor to St. Jude Children's Hospital, <https://www.stjude.org/donate> GilloolyFuneralHome.com

CIVETTA



Carol (Kennedy), born December 20, 1947 in Newton, Massachusetts passed away at the age of 73 on April 18, 2020 in Norwood, Massachusetts of Progressive Supranuclear Palsy. Carol was the beloved wife to Charles Civetta of Norwood for almost 58 years. In 2013 Carol and Charlie renewed their wedding vows for their 50th anniversary celebration surrounded by family and friends. She is survived by her children, Lauren Civetta-Simon and her husband Anthony of Millis, MA and Daniel Civetta and his wife Joanne of Burlington, MA. She was a proud and devoted grandmother to Craig Mugford of Franklin, MA; Nicole Mugford of San Diego, CA; Gabrielle Civetta and Christopher Civetta, both of Burlington, MA as well as her brother Dennis Kennedy of Oregon, many close cousins, nieces, nephews and friends across the world. She also leaves behind her closest friend for more than 50 years, Patricia Flinn McClary of Raleigh, NC. When Carol wasn't working her day jobs, she devoted her time to volunteer services to help others. She excelled at arranging fundraising events and family reunions. She was a licensed ombudsman in the state of Massachusetts to monitor senior living establishments. She also poured her efforts into helping United States veterans as well as burn survivors. Carol spent many years researching her family's history, including travels to Ireland, Italy and Portugal for further research. She loved hosting family reunions and has posted her genealogy findings on Ancestry.com. Carol was a constant learner, avid reader, politically active and an artist who loved photography, creating paintings, sculptures, jewelry and, of course, ginger-

bread houses with her grandchildren each Christmas. Carol loved to attend live performances. She and her daughter spent many years going into Boston's theater district to see plays, ballets and her favorite, musicals. In lieu of flowers, please donate to honor her life to one of the organizations close to her heart; www.phoenix-society.org, and www.hfotusa.org. To donate or learn more about Carol's rare neurological illness, please visit www.psp.org. Arrangements will be held privately through Gillooly Funeral Home. She will be laid to rest at Holyhood Cemetery in Brookline, MA. GilloolyFuneralHome.com

KING



Gerald E., 88, of Norwich, CT passed away peacefully at L & M Hospital in New London, CT. on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, following a short illness. Born in Norwood, MA., on April 15, 1932, Gerry was the son of the late Joseph E. and Eileen (Fulton) King. He was predeceased by his stepfather Anthony Mitchell and brother Richard Mitchell. He is survived by his daughter Mary Jane King of Norwich, CT., cousins throughout New England, and many friends

throughout the U.S. Gerry grew up in Norwood, MA. and graduated from Norwood High School in 1951. He enlisted in the U S Navy proudly and honorably having served his country during the Korean War. Following his service, Gerry attended Boston College. Gerry had many interests including reading, especially about WWII, crossword puzzles, golf, and watching sports, particularly football and baseball. He will be remembered as a kind man who was a friend to all, including Bill W. A celebration of his life will be held in the fall of 2021 and will be private.

RIELLY



Michael J., 59, of Norwood, Massachusetts, passed away on April 18, 2021. Born in Boston, Massachusetts on January 28, 1962. Michael attended Boston public schools and graduated from Boston University. He worked as a Senior Copywriter. Proprietor of WordSmith for Hire, a complete copywriting solution designed to deliver Copy that sells via Print, Collateral, Direct Marketing, Fund Raising and Interactive vehicles. He had an eye toward strategic development and long-term relationship building. Michael's passion was fishing, and his favorite spot was the South Coast of Rhode Island. As he always referred to himself "Huge fisherman, surf, shore, salt, sweet, it's all good" . He was also a

die hard New England Patriots Fan. He was the beloved son of the late John J. and Marilyn K. (Josselyn) Rielly. Beloved brother of Timothy Rielly and his wife Susan, Thomas P. Rielly and his wife Liliana Marquez, and Katherine Rielly. Also survived by many relatives and friends. Due to the current pandemic and the families care and concern for family and friends, services will be private. A memorial service to be held at a later date. For online guestbook please visit <http://www.faggas.com/>.

TOWNE



Marcia L., 68, of Norwood passed away surrounded by family on April 22, 2021. Born November 14, 1952 to Kenneth and Shirley (Johnson) Towne in Norwood. Marcia was passionate about her family, including many nieces and nephews. She was an animal lover and enjoyed her time in Cape Cod. Marcia was employed as a hair stylist as a young adult and later worked for Steamship Authority in Cape Cod. She will be loved and remembered by family and friends for her sense of humor and her kind and thoughtful nature. Marcia is survived by her loving siblings, James Towne and his wife Maura of Norwood, Cheryl Towne of Sharon, Scott Towne of Hull, and Kenneth Towne and his wife Lisa of Norton; and her adored nieces and nephews. Services will be held through Gillooly Funeral home, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Marcia's name to the Special Olympics, <https://support.specialolympics.org> 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.

2020 Mitsubishi Eclipse Cross AWD

As I have mentioned in the past, early Mitsubishi vehicles were not very good, parts wee hard to come by even the dealer network was weak. Things have changed big time over the 8-10 years. Today's Mitsubishi vehicles are very good. They compare with other makes and cost less and have the warranty to back the vehicles up. 10 year 100,000 power train warranty. I like everything about this Eclipse except the radio controls, where are the knobs? Yes there is steering hub controls, it just isn't the same even to change the station knob. I will say the large display screen is bright and clear even in the sun. The 1.5 liter 4 cylinder engine via a multi mode CTV transmission. The FWD Eclipse base starts at \$22825.00 destination \$1195.00 nicely equipped. Power is good the CVT transmission can be manually shifted and you can feel the gear change. The SEL includes power front seats, heated front seats, 7 inch touch display, leather seats, LED lights front and back, electric power steering, lots of storage and much more. Our Eclipse Cross had a few popular option packages that to me are priced right. First the touring package which includes power moon roof, Rockford/Fosegate sound system, forward collision mitigation with braking, pedestrian protection, heated rear sets and steering wheel,

Entry height is low, open the rear tail gate and again low entry. Safety equipment is abundant blind spot, lane departure, leather seats, steering wheel, shift knob and more. The outside finish was in blue metallic and black interior. This combination works well. Here we are, in Boston in April and still using both the heated seat and steering wheel. Mitsubishi has come a long way just thing about this SEL nicely equipped 4 door SUV with lots of features a great warranty for around \$28595.00. EPA 25 city 26 hwy 25 combined.

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Monday, April 19

0836 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Guild St Resident reports items missing from apartment and she is locked out of apartment. N661 reports NFD handled lockout and items were located in another area of apartment.

0838 Phone - Neighbor Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Norwest Dr Report 2 other neighbors upset with each over dog excrement issue, 1 of them thinks this calling party is involved but she is not. Today she found the excrement smeared on her apartment window. N664 spoke to caller, advised of options and she has already informed Leasing Office for help.

1051 Phone - B & E Of Motor Vehicle *Report Filed Location/Address: Hampden Dr Report B&E to car, damage to that car, and MA PC 9HP762 plate stolen.

1433 Cellular - Susp Vehicle Spoken To Location/Address: Audubon Rd + Sixth St Report of a black vehicle showed up today, no one in it, plate covered with a red cloth. N663 reports MA PC 914ZY2, lives on the street, spoke to owner, checks ok.

1540 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Wilson St Caller reports an SP item in her car. Upon speaking to N667, she cannot locate this item. Party was referred to N458.

1632 Phone - Assist Citizen Assisted Party Location/Address: Dean St Units speak to a male party regarding personal items in his ex girlfriend's apartment. That party will arrange a time and date to retrieve those items. N669 provided him a courtesy transport to Roxanna Street in Hyde Park.

1659 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Beacon Ave Party seeking advice on missing items. Message left.

1732 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Engamore Ln Caller concerned for a friend after not being able to reach him. That party checked out OK.

1819 911 - Disturbance *Report Filed Location/Address: Dominos Pizza - Washington St Employee refusing to leave following termination.

1901 Phone - Susp Person Spoken To Location/Address: Hampden Dr Two parties standing next to a vehicle, caller concerned due to recent car break in. Officers spoke to them, they are there to sell a vehicle.

2153 911 - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Mill Pond Ln Caller reported hearing two loud bangs. Party was splitting wood.

Tuesday, April 20

0327 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Wilson St Neighbors complaining of car alarm going off all night long. N663 responded and was able to raise the owner of (FL.Reg# NFNW96)

0617 911 - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Davis Ave Caller complaining of loud music and yelling going on in apt.#7. N663, N661 responded. Resident spoken to and advised.

1515 911 - Disturbance Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Norwood Wine & Liquors - Nahatan St Re-

Police Logs

port a male in a black shirt is arguing with and possibly going to fight another male outside the store. While enroute 1 male headed for a white truck. N674 reports all parties and vehicle are GOA.

1628 Phone - Drunk Person *Protective Custody Location/Address: Murph's Place - Broadway St Subject appears confused in and out of a business 4 times. On foot now near Murphs. As a result, N674 placed one party into protective custody and transported him to the station.

1758 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Area Search Negative Location/Address: Basketball Court - Norwest Dr Report of juveniles driving vehicles at high rate of speed in the area.

2043 Phone - Disturbance *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Nichols St Reporting party states a family member just called them and were very upset. As a result, N661 placed one party under arrest and transported him to the station. Refer To Arrest: 21-94-AR Arrest: Cobb, Adam J Address: 585 Nichols St Norwood, Ma Age: 33 Charges: Warrant Arrest Warrant Arrest

Wednesday, April 21

0109 Initiated - Susp Activity No Action Required Location/Address: Dominos Pizza - Washington St N663 reports while making his checks he noticed there was graffiti on dumpster but not sure if it was cleaned up last week or if this is fresh. N663 spoke with an employee who didn't know and will consult with Manager when he returns to work today and report if necessary. (Log entry at this time - per N663.)

0303 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Bank Of Boston Atm - Everett St + Bos-Prov Hwy Numerous calls for loud music coming from a car believed to be in area of Rojo's. Calls coming from David Terrace, Celtic Way and Westwood residents. N677, N678 responded and between Westwood and Norwood P.D.'s, car was located in Westwood at the Bank of Boston ATM. by McDonalds parking lot at Rt.1 & Everett. Spoken to and advised.

1542 Initiated - Drug Law Violation *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Prospect St + Springvale Rd As a result of stopping MA PC 3HMA89, N495 places subject under arrest and N661 transports to station. Don and Wally's tows MA PC 3HMA89. Refer To Arrest: 21-95-AR Arrest: Soto Batista, Hancy Address: Babson St Mattapan, Ma Age: 19 Charges: Fentanyl, Trafficking In More Than 10 Grams C.94C, °32e(C+) Drug, Possess To Distrib Class B Crack Cocaine Drug, Possess To Distrib Class B Cocaine Unlicensed Operation Of Mv Drug Violation Near School/Park C94 §32J

1601 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: 3rd Floor - Olde Derby Rd Resident from 133 C concerned about his neighbor at 134C. Odor and living conditions. Subject checks ok and management also advised. One issue being resolved, involved a plumbing problem.

1620 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Walnut Ave Riverside requests check of a client who has been out of touch. Officers spoke to him, he is staying at his mother's.

1853 911 - Motor Vehicle Accident *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Wedgewood Dr Car into a fence.

NFD notified and responded. Medfield PD drug K9 assisted. As a result, N664 placed one party under arrest, N667 transported him to the station. Center Autobody towed MI PC DMZI1686. Arrest: Owens, Matthew Adam Address: 58 Dwight St Dedham, Ma Age: 41 Charges: Drug, Possess Class B Drug, Possess Class B Drug, Possess Class B Drug, Possess Class B Negligent Operation Of Motor Vehicle Marked Lanes Violation

2039 911 - Susp Activity Area Search Negative Location/Address: Village Rd W Caller reports someone knocking at her door and is not expecting anyone, no description. Officers state no one in the area.

2106 911 - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: 30 Tremont St (Hud Residence) - Tremont St Caller reports someone took a package off her porch.

Thursday, April 22

0650 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: South Norwood Convenient Mart - Washington St Caller reports trash trucks are picking up dumpsters before 7:00am. N666 responded and spoke with driver.(CLEAN WAY) Advised of by-law.

0809 Phone - Assaults *Report Filed Location/Address: Vw Gallery - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports he is an employee at The VW Gallery and as he pulled into driveway and parked, another vehicle followed him in. He states the driver got out of car and went over to him and stated he had cut him off. He then punched caller. (Unknown direction of travel.)

1251 911 - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Cosmoprof - Bos-Prov Hwy Employee seeks advice on party who may have been staring at her. Both advised.

1505 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Area Search Negative Location/Address: Lenox St 15 teens walked up the hill to the RR tracks at the Guild ST Bridge.

1526 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Rock St Condo owner arguing with 9 year olds for riding bikes on the property. She states signs are posted. Officer reports no signs posted. Children were not aware and advised.

1800 911 - Animal Complaint Police & Fire Notified/Respond Location/Address: Woodland Rd Caller reports their dog bit the son. FD notified. N678 reports very minor injury fire handled on scene.

2207 Phone - Susp Activity *Report Filed Location/Address: Wilson St Caller reports the upstairs tenants may have cut the phone lines. N664 reports the electrical box looks damaged but unsure when the damage may have happened.

Friday, April 23

0021 Phone - Motor Vehicle Accident *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Chapel St + Walpole St Car into guardrail, unknown PI. NFD notified and responded. N669 returned with one female under arrest. S/M 28351 @ 0045 HRS, E/M 28353 @ 0050. Westwood PD responded to assist in booking. Arrest: Barry, Bridget M Address: 83 Railroad Ave Norwood, Ma Age: 31 Charges: Oui-Liquor Or .08% Negligent Operation Of Motor Vehicle Marked Lanes Violation

1030 Phone - Disturbance *Complaint/Summons Location/Address: Washington St Report female throwing items around the shop and then pushed another customer to ground

and he may have a leg injury. NFD sent. N678 to file a Complaint Application and report.

1055 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Washington St Caller reports two small children without an adult. Units located the mother nearby.

1624 Phone - Well Being Chk Fire Dept Notified/Responded Location/Address: Winslow Ave Riverside well being check results in request to be evaluated at the hospital by the resident NFD handles.

1730 Phone - Shoplifting *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Home Depot - Bos-Prov Hwy Lost prevention reports a W/M is leaving the store with stolen items. Subject dropped the items and on foot running in the lot towards RTE 1 . 30's Dark hat, Blue top, Light Blue jeans . Last towards Friendly's . Witness reports the suspect is inside. As a result one under arrest . Refer To Arrest: 21-100-AR Arrest: Gianci, Jacob Address: 261 N Franklin St Holbrook, Ma Age: 30 Charges: Larceny Over \$1200 C266 §30(1)

Saturday, April 23

1319 Phone - Animal Complaint Naco/Waco Notified Location/Address: Devon Rd Report possible rabid skunk.

1439 Phone - Citizens Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Ocean State Job Lot - Bos-Prov Hwy Manager reports customer will not wear a mask after being asked, claiming medical condition. N669 reports customer left before officer's arrival, does have medical issue, store would not recognize that point.

1710 Phone - Susp Person Area Search Negative Location/Address: Norwood Airport Inc - Access Rd Report of two males and a female interacting with the driver of a tan Lincoln, caller thought it was suspicious.

1809 Phone - Malicious Damage *Report Filed Location/Address: Prescott School (Acct# 1383d) - Richland Rd Report of a group of juveniles damaging property.

1941 Phone - Loud Party Spoken To Location/Address: Laurel Rd Agreed to keep volume down.

2343 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Building Construction Professionals - Varwood Cir Loud music. Spoken to and will quiet down.

2358 Phone - Susp Person Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Quick Stop - Washington St Caller reports a male party standing next to a dark sedan and believed it to be suspicious. No parties on scene.

Sunday, April 25

0003 Phone - Noise Complaint Spoken To Location/Address: Lenox St Parties agreed to keep volume down.

0050 Phone - Loud Party Spoken To Location/Address: Cameron Rd Agreed to turn music down.

1133 911 - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Ellis Nursing And Rehabilitation Center - Ellis Ave Patient Thinks Police On Her Tv Are Coming To Ger Her. Call to facility and they will go check on her.

1412 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Buckminster Dr Report items taken out of a package left at door and threatening note left.

1426 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Jefferson Dr Caller reports a screaming child at his neighbor's house. Units spoke to the parent, no issues.

1455 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Bay State Barber Shop - Washington St Civil matter between customer and owner of business.

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ZBA approves new sign at Schwartz Medical building

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

While the placement of a sign might not seem like such a big deal, especially in a general business district, it's been plaguing resident Thomas Flaherty and his family since it was installed on East Hoyle Street in 1993.

The sign advertises the doctor's office there, now operated by Dr. Melvin Schwartz, since his practice moved to that location two or three years ago. The building was originally owned and operated by Dr. Joseph Groden when he bought the building in 1993, but Jana Realty since purchased it after his retirement.

The sign has historically been a problem for Flaherty, as it was situated on the property line between his residence and the doctor's office. Since the office is set back quite a bit due to its parking lot, it meant that he has a fair share of unwelcome, if misinformed guests, coming into his driveway and sometimes backyard.

"The sign leans over on our property, and from 93' on, since Dr. Groden was there, it was a complete nightmare," he said at the original Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) meeting on April 6. "People didn't know where the entrance to the office was because it was so set back. People used to come into our driveway and then ring the doorbell! If a car left my driveway, people would automatically pull into my driveway thinking it was a doctor's office and come up and sit on the porch. In the winter when there was a couple of inches of snow, they would not just pull into the driveway, they would keep going and get stuck in my backyard. I used to get tow trucks and have them pull out of my backyard when the snow was there, and then when I come

back at night people would be stuck in my backyard again! It was a complete nightmare."

Jana Realty owners Najib Ayoud and John Al-Jamal came to the previous April 6 ZBA meeting to request a special permit for a new sign to replace the one currently there. Attorney Richard Staiti represented them and the discussion went on for about an hour as to why the Board was not predisposed to grant Jana Realty's request for a special permit. Basically, it came down to the Zoning Code's requirement that a sign be no more than 15 feet from a property line, and the position of the current sign sits right on the property line.

On April 22, Staiti said they are now proposing to move the sign at least five feet from the property line in a manner that's consistent with the Norwood Zoning Bylaw.

"Specifically, it's consistent with Chapter 6.2.15 Section 3 Standing Signs," he said. "The bylaw states that one can reduce the 15-foot setback up to no closer than five feet provided the sign has a corresponding decrease in size. Norwood allows pretty decent sizes of



On the left is Flaherty's home, and at this angle one can see how the sign, next to the recycling bins on the left, could be construed as advertising a doctor's office at the blue house and not the brick building on the right, where the office is.

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signs. What we're looking for is 36" by 2.5'. It's a very small sign and certainly we are within our rights to put it no closer than five feet."

The bylaw specifically states that a sign can be no larger than 50 square feet if it meets the requirement of being 15 feet from the property line. The bylaw also states that a sign can be set to no closer than five feet if the sign is reduced in size correspondingly by every foot over the 15-foot requirement, if

the zoning authority in question (either the ZBA or Planning Board) grants the owner a special permit.

The ZBA had an issue with an existing cinder block set up to hold the old sign, and members said they would like that block removed if possible, but would not require it. After some discussion on details of the sign, the Board voted unanimously to approve the changed location for the sign showing Schwartz's practice.

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