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A photo from 2017's John Carroll Day, where everyone at Town Hall took it upon themselves to dress like the Town Manager to show their appreciation for his work. Carroll is pictured in the center just above the Town seal.

Remembering Norwood's John Carroll

Jeff Sullivan

Staff Reporter

Former Norwood Town Manager John Carroll passed away on Saturday, Feb. 25, at the age of 94.

Carroll served as Town Manager for Norwood for 39 years before retiring at the age of 89 to write a novel, help continue to run the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (that he helped to found) and continue his volunteer work. Before that, Carroll served as the Director for the State Department of Public Works under Governor Michael Dukakis.

"I had quite a few transition meetings with John, and I remember my first meeting very fondly," he said.

They first met on Veterans Day of 2017 when Carroll showed him around the office and then around Town.

'That's when I met (former Assistant Town Manager) Bernie Cooper for the first time," he said.

Managers over his time in the trade, and said Carroll was truly unique in a lot of

"He is not a type of any kind," Mazzucco said. "With the exception of dedication to the community and public service, he is unlike any other Town Manager that I have met. There is only one John Carroll."

Mazzucco pointed out that most Town Managers spend about five-to-seven years in any one position, but maybe only 10 with a tenure as long as Carroll's.

"It's an accomplishment in and of itself," he said. "And if you still love it at the end? Well that's an accomplishment too."

Former Norwood Finance Director Bob Thornton said his tenure began around the same time as Carroll and it was an honor to work with him for over 30 years.

"I started within a few months of him

Mazzucco said he's met many Town in 1978 and we worked together for 36 years," he said. "We had our ups and downs, at least early on, because I would have to say no to him about certain requests for finances that were my responsibility. But we wound up becoming extremely good friends over the years."

Thornton said perhaps the biggest challenges to both of them were during the introduction of Prop 2.5, which capped property tax rate increases at 2.5 percent annually. "It was challenging and sometimes difficult but at the end of the line, so to speak, it helped us realize that it's better to work together and try to solve the problem instead of getting into difficulties," he said.

Thornton said Carroll was an iconic man in that he was the poster child for what a Town official and a good person should be. A cynic may view these qualities as counter-intuitive given the stereo-

Carroll

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ConCom wants more from **Edgewater Drive**

Jeff Sullivan

Staff Reporter

The Norwood Conservation Commission (ConCom) voted unanimously to continue the hearing for the property at 3 Edgewater Dr. at its most recent meeting.

The issue is that an area near the property was cleared in an attempt, according to Norwood Conservation Agent Holly Jones, to construct a drainage basin for the adjacent parking lot.

The ConCom's contention is that this land was heavily forested and vegetated and was within the buffer zone of Trap Hole Brook. The resulting water coming out of the basin went untreated into the brook, which Jones noted has recently had its dam removed so as to facilitate a cold water fishery in the brook for trout.

"The plan currently includes adding a forebay and additional removal of sediment from a portion of the currently marshy area to create a wet detention basin. My review comment is that a wet basin is not appropriate for being adjacent to a cold water fishery."

In hydrology, a forebay is a small pond designed to at least delay water going into a space it's not supposed to go into. Since the removal of the vegetation, the area has been stabilized with a small dam to keep the untreated stormwater from the parking lot from getting into the brook.

Civil Engineer representing E&F Realty, the property owners, Alphons

ConCom

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973 University Ave. saga continues

Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

The Norwood Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) met with 973 University Ave. property owner Joseph Federico, his attorney Daniel J. Bailey and architect Luke Fabri who were seeking an extension to the excavation project at the site.

The ZBA voted to continue the hearing, as several issues still need to be worked out.

The site has been the subject of controversy. Back in the winter of

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The Norwood Zoning Board of Appeals continued a discussion on an extension of a permit for excavation at the site of 973 University Ave., which the owner says in five years, when the excavation is expected to be finished, he hopes to develop.

COURTESY PHOTO





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2020, it was discovered that the company owning the site, UAVE LLC, had let its earth removal permit lapse (it had technically expired in 2015) and continued to remove earth anyway. It had also failed to follow several local and state stormwater mitigation requirements.

In 2021, the ZBA voted to approve a new special permit allowing earth removal to continue as UAVE had complied with several requirements from the Board. According to UAVE, the plan now is to remove as much rock and earth as possible to sell it (Bailey said right now their biggest client is the Norwood Hospital). After the site is fully excavated, Federico plans to build on the site.

Bailey pointed out they have had a lot of positive feedback from neighboring businesses about building a hotel there when they finish, but nothing yet has been finalized.

The ZBA's biggest issue during the meeting is that UAVE has not finished the excavating in all of this time.

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"We think five years is probably what it will take," Bailey said.

During some of the work, UAVE inadvertently, at least according to them, encroached on the neighboring property owned by MS Walker Shipping & Receiving and removed more than two dozen trees. UAVE has been ordered to remedy that situation, and both Fabri and Bailey said this was taking up much of the time they have currently had on the property.

Bailey said they have reached out to MS Walker several times to access the property. Without it they have needed to spend a lot of time building a dirt ramp for ac-

ZBA Chair Michael Sheehan said he felt UAVE's representatives were maybe a bit too touchy about being denied access to that side of the site.

"Please stop referring to MS Walker. No property owner in their right mind would let this type of operation cross their property," he said. "Please stop referencing that. This is not their fault or their problem, so stop referencing that they wouldn't let you use their property."

Sheehan also read from an MS Walker letter that stated 32 mature trees were removed and they have not yet been replaced.

Again, Bailey said they've been reaching out repeatedly to MS Walker with no response. Fabri said this was the first time he's seen any complaint since their last interaction with MS Walker more than two years ago.

"Getting this is a contradiction of what we talked about and what we worked out for a solution," he said.

Bailey said he will offer the same plan he offered three years ago, to fix the tree is-

"We'll hire a landscape architect to fix the land, you (MS Walker) pick the landscape architect, we'll pay for it, you pick a contractor, we'll pay the contractor, just tell us what you want," he said. "I must have done that three or four times and they have never responded."

Sheehan asked for any kind of record of these overtures to MS Walker. Bailey said he would try to get them to him. MS Walker representative Scott Allen responded to a request for comment from the Record. He said they have never received such correspondence from UAVE.

"They've never asked to come on the property and I have not heard from them," he said

Sheehan also asked why UAVE had not complied with Conservation Commission orders that required the slope of the dig site to be a certain ratio. Bailey said they did not believe the Commission had jurisdiction and did not comply for that reason.

The ZBA voted to continue the hearing in order to get a peer review done of the work UAVE has completed so far and its estimations on when it would finish excavation. The Board will meet again with UAVE on April 11.

Sheehan also asked Acting Town Planner to reach out to MS Walker.

"I think myself and Sarah will reach out to Scott Allen (of MS Walker) and tell them the same thing we told you," he said. "Get along with your neighbor and figure this out."

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Selectmen endorse continuation of Morse House renovations

Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met with members of the Morse House Subcommittee during the Board's regular meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 28 and voted three times to continue the project at the historic building.

The three votes encompassed approving funding for renovations and to allow the Morse House Committee to continue under its present membership. The first vote endorsed applying for \$10,000 from the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to hire a consultant to help get the Morse House placed on the National Registry of Historic Places, which opens the door for a lot of potential grant funding. The second vote was to endorse applying to the CPC for \$192,000 for rehabilitation of the existing structure. The third vote was to the Morse House Committee as it operates today and not to disband or reform the committee.

The last vote came from the direction of Board Chair and Committee Chair Bill Plasko. The first two votes passed 4-1 with Plasko opposed, while the last vote passed unanimously.

"A lot of people will wonder why I am not supporting the requests because I'm on the committee and I applaud the committee, we've done a lot of work," he said. He then proceeded to explain his votes not-

ing that when the committee was first formed, it was tasked with determining the best possible use of the site. After a lot of discussion, it was determined the best possible use is as a small museum and cultural center. He said while he felt historic preservation has value, and this site is certainly historic, he didn't place that value at \$2.2 million (\$192,000 is for phase 1 of the rehabilitation project and the other two phases were estimated at another \$2 million) that only 17 people at a time could be present in.

The building will only be able to house 17 people at any one time," he said. "Seventeen people are not a lot. What can we do with that? Just having the building sitting there to look at for years to come is not worth it. I'm not against doing that, but for the cost of doing that? It just doesn't measure up."

Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue pointed out that past events at the site have included large venues on the grounds of the property.

"We have had excellent huge events in the yard in the summer time," she said. "The Rotary, the Democratic Town Committee, the Republican Town Committee, pig roasts, and lots of people outside and going inside just to use the restrooms and the faucet inside."

In other news, the Board voted unanimously to table a discussion on the Permanent Building Construction Committee (PBCC). The PBCC, as defined by the Town's bylaw, oversees construction projects costing in excess of \$1.5 million. Currently, the committee does not have any active members. The Board agreed they would have to deal with this issue in some form, but the consensus seemed to be that since the Public Facilities Department can handle most projects, and any others would necessitate an Overall Project Manager, the PBCC would likely be discontinued.

The Board also met with **Economic Development Direc**tor Joseph Collins and 3DEO CEO Matt Petros and voted to approve the installation of a LI-DAR tracking system at the Winter Street Landfill this spring.

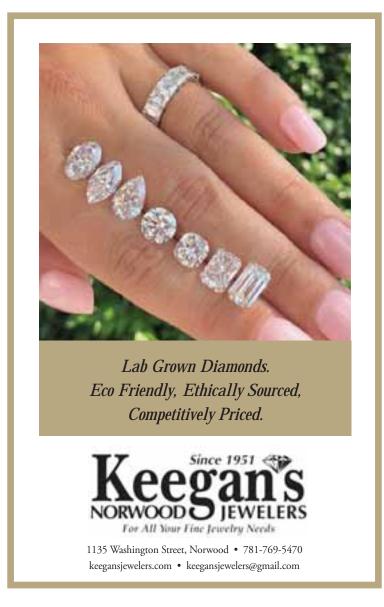
Petro said the station will use the laser system to track the flight movements of birds to help better understand their behaviors, the goal being to reduce bird strikes with local aircraft. He said the tests will eventually be used to determine how swarms of drones might be use in a national security application.

The program is intended to last one year and will end in the

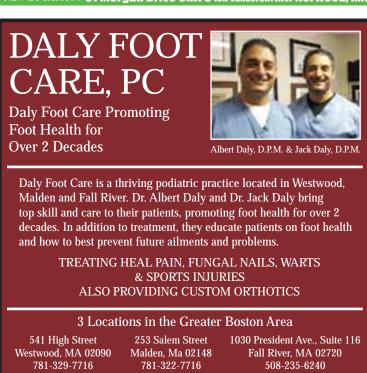
In other news, Mazzucco said he wanted to thank the staff of the Norwood Town Hall, the Norwood Facilities Department and the Norwood Department of Public Works for scrambling to get Memorial Hall ready for visi-

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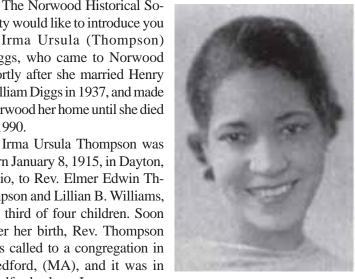
Irma Ursula (Thompson) Diggs

A Wonderful Woman of Norwood

The Norwood Historical Society would like to introduce you to Irma Ursula (Thompson) Diggs, who came to Norwood shortly after she married Henry William Diggs in 1937, and made Norwood her home until she died in 1990.

born January 8, 1915, in Dayton, Ohio, to Rev. Elmer Edwin Thompson and Lillian B. Williams, the third of four children. Soon after her birth, Rev. Thompson was called to a congregation in Medford, (MA), and it was in Medford where Irma grew up. She attended the Medford public schools, graduating from Medford High School in 1932. She went on to attend Jackson College, the women's college of Tufts College (now University), earning her BA. Later she earned her Master's Degree equivalent in Education while teaching in Sharon. While in college she was also an outstanding athlete, playing both basketball and field hockey – eventually being honored by Tufts when they inducted her into the Tufts University Jumbo Club for outstanding athletes. In 1937, she married Henry William Diggs. (Henry W. Diggs was born in 1906, to Charles T Diggs and Sarah Grandison. Henry graduated from Norwood High School in 1924, then attended Wentworth Institute of Technology and went on to be a printer at the Norwood Press, as well as serve as a member of Norwood's School Committee and Town Meeting for many years.) Irma and Henry married at Tufts' Goddard Chapel in a service conducted by her father. They settled in Norwood and became the parents of two daughters - Judith (Diggs) Potter and Jacqueline Diggs.

Although Irma's parents were born after the Civil War ended, her grandparents were not. Census records cannot be found on this family before the war, indicating her grandparents were most likely enslaved, which makes her Thompson side all the more interesting. Her paternal grandfather, Phillip Thompson, was born in Kentucky in 1847, who served for the Union in the US Colored Troop, 6th Cavalry during the Civil War; he is buried in Yellow Springs, Ohio. Her grandmother, Emma Hennessey, was born in Ireland and immigrated to Ohio, where they met and married; Emma is buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Mattapan underneath her daughter, Lilian Belle Williams. Their son Elmer, Irma's father, was the first Black man to graduate from Springfield College (Massachusetts), in 1904. He earned a theological degree and went on to become a minister in Medford



(MA). Her maternal grandparents were Joseph Williams and Edmonia Jones. Not much is known about Joseph Williams; Edmonia Jones was born in Bedford County, Virginia, and, according to family lore, may well have been an unacknowledged part of the Aster family.

In the late 1860's, the Diggs family was living in Frederick, Maryland, in a large African American community. The neighborhood was home to free people of color, according to the 1850 and 1860 censuses. Richard Diggs, Henry's grandfather, was freed after the Civil War, and became a leader in his community. Richard (born December, 1838), a carpenter, married Sarah Elizabeth Lyles in 1862; she was born in April, 1843 in Frederick, Maryland, a free woman of color, to a minister's family. They had at least eleven children. (Both Richard and Sarah Elizabeth are now buried in Highland Cemetery, Norwood.) The Lyles family had been free for several generations. In 1884, the Richard H. Diggs family was the first black family to move to Norwood. In 1892, they purchased a parcel of land at 368 Washington Street from Tyler Thayer and Richard used his knowledge of carpentry to construct a house that stands to this day. Richard was born into slavery, came to Norwood, and in less than 30 years of freedom was able to buy land and build a house. Most of his grandchildren attended college, several of his grandsons served in the military, and many were civic

Irma was a kindergarten teacher for over thirty years in both the Norwood and Sharon school systems. She left Norwood in 1955 when they would not give her tenure because she was married, but Sharon would. She was an active member in both the Sharon Teachers Association and the National Educators Association

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type of municipal employees, but Thornton said Carroll was "as honest as the day is long."

'That's where John's personality was oxy-moronic I guess in that respect," he said. "You could really trust him. And he was a man of faith, but if people tried to pull something over on the Town or his family, boy, you'd see a different side of him. He believed in God, his family and the Town of Norwood. Those were his three highest priorities, and probably in that order too."

Norwood Police Chief Bill Brooks said Carroll was very interested in policing and really understood the dynamics.

'He had a genuine appreciation for the difficult work that police do, and although I would end up lightly arguing, perhaps over budget issues or during contract negotiations, I always found he had a real understanding of the work," he said.

Brooks added that true crime television shows were really one of Carroll's favorite pastimes and whenever they would touch base - Brooks said about every other day - Carroll would quiz him profusely on the shows he had recently seen.

"He'd ask me about DNA evidence, the statements of the suspects, what turned the investigation and sometimes I would forget the purpose of my trip," he said with a laugh. "But he loved that stuff and he was really a great storyteller."

Brooks said Carroll was different than most in that he took jobs that were offered to him rather than seeking them out. He started out as an engineer and then worked for the State DPW. And in the 70s then Selectman Walter Dempsey offered him a job at the Town of Norwood and that's where he went, almost like a wandering monk in a kung fu movie, he went to where he was needed most.

"He talked about getting the bandstand built in the middle of the Common. He knew that would be a centerpiece of the Town and after it was built it was named after Walter Dempsey, the man who offered him the job here. That's why it's the Walter Dempsey Bandstand. And he liked to correct people; it's not a gazebo it's a bandstand."

Former Norwood selectman Olga Abdallah said that bandstand was one of the biggest boons to the Town, and an impetus for her to found the Norwood Concert Committee about 30 years ago. The committee hosts most of its concerts there, and she said Carroll was instrumental in creating this now storied Norwood tradition.

'When they were building the bandstand in the middle of the Town Common, I came up from my house, and you know, it was a hot summer day, and there was John Carroll on the roof of the bandstand banging nails in!" she said with a laugh. "I went home and I got some watermelon for all the people helping to build the bandstand and I went back and

honestly, everybody was just so happy building it. The workmanship was outstanding, and all these year later it has withstood the test of time, as proven by its continued use."

Ms. Abdallah said she planted the seed of getting the Boston Pops to come to Norwood years ago, and one of those officials listening was Carroll.

"He said to me, 'You know what Ollie? We can't do that, it's so expensive!" she said. "But we kept him working on it and we brought them to Norwood eventually for the 150th and everyone loved that."

Abdallah said Carroll was a shining example of the spirit of Norwood.

"John gave his heart and soul to make Norwood a great and beautiful place to live," she said. "My dad used to call Norwood the Crown Jewel of the Commonwealth, and I really think that it is. Everybody loves the Town and tries to help out. John Carroll was a big part of establishing that, he really focused on getting along with people as part of doing his daily work. He always went to a lot of committee meetings in the afternoon and at night, and people really enjoyed working with him."

Board of Selectmen Chair Bill Plasko said Carroll was his men-

"At my first meeting as a Selectman we appointed John to be General Manager, and I served as Selectmen Chairman when he retired. I worked with him in one capacity or another for all those 39 years and can attest to how special he was," Plasko said. "His warmth as a human being was genuine. When he met someone new he put them at ease within minutes, asking questions and showing he cared about them. He had a trove of stories about family, friends, and government figures or happenings, and he loved to tell them. He had a special love of baseball, and was incredible at baseball trivia."

Plasko, Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue Thornton all said Carroll's love of the Boston Red Sox was legendary. He was known to go down to Florida every year for spring training and was almost as dedicated to the team as he was to Norwood.

"John worked tirelessly to provide superior administration of our town government," Plasko said. "His decisions were always intended to ensure the delivery of the best services possible. His contributions went beyond the limits of his job description. He worked day and night to improve the social and cultural life of the community."

Plasko added that Carroll was one of the most dedicated public servants he had ever met despite not even living here.

"Certain people in Town gave him grief over the fact that he lived in Milton, so in recognition of John's unmatched contributions, upon his retirement the Board of Selectmen bestowed the honor of 'Honorary Citizen' upon him," Plasko said. "Thomas Carlyle said, 'Blessed is he who has found his work...' John found his life's work in Norwood, and we were all blessed to be the beneficiaries. I am so thankful for having had the opportunity to share private and community life with him, and to learn from him.'

Abdalla-Donohue said there was never anyone like him.

"He was an exceptionally caring, kind and dynamic person," she said. "He loved people; he loved to work and he loved the Town of Norwood. It was his job in life to care for others. This includes people from other countries. He had people from the Philippines living in his house so they could go to college."

Former Selectman Thomas Maloney said it was an honor just to have known him.

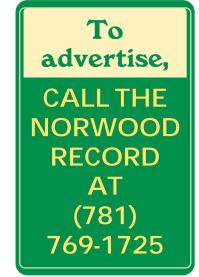
"He was a man of tremendous love and charity," he said. "He adopted so many children and he would give out money after church services. He would give money to homeless folks so they could get a cup of coffee. He was devoted to the Town even though he didn't live here. He was an extraordinary guy."

Historical Commission President Judith Howard said they always had a great working relationship, even if they weren't always on the same side of issues.

"We agreed on some issues and disagreed on others, but we always smiled," she said. "But then the subject would turn to baseball because we both loved it. One can't come from Boston and not love baseball, football, basketball and hockey. He would tell me about all the pictures on the walls of his office. He remembered when each and every one of them was taken. He loved going down to see the Red Sox in Fort Myers for spring training. Because we both met famous baseball players over the years, we regaled each other. I told him of my meeting and shaking hands with Ted Williams in Boston, and then he told me of the book he wrote."

A funeral service is planned at Trinity Community Church, 234 Walpole St., Norwood on Thursday, March 2, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Interment will be in Norwood Cemetery, Norwood.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 465 Waverley Oaks Rd., Ste 202, Waltham, MA02452.



Trails hosting weekend walk

Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

The Norwood Trails Advisory Committee (NTAC) is meeting at the intersection of Morgan Drive and Astor Avenue for a community walk to highlight the neighborhood starting at 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 4.

NTAC Chair Joseph Greeley said the idea of the walk is to get out and enjoy the moon, but also to show residents what Norwood has to offer its residents.

"The full 'Worm Moon' for the month of March is three days later, so this walk would be a good chance to see a full horizon view of the moon," he said. "We hope to walk with the assistance of the moonlight along the start of some new trails we are developing."

Greeley added that if your camera is good enough to handle low light, there will be several spots to get a great snapshot of Earth's biggest satellite.

"We chose a spot that should provide a nice view of the moon for any photographers out there who like to do night photography and, if we are lucky, we may even hear some owls," he said.

The NTAC is considering connecting Traphole Brook through the woods along the Neponset River to the end of

Vanderbilt Avenue. Greeley said the area is in need of a lot of work.

"Our committee members and other volunteers have identified and created several trail routes and temporary water crossings," he said. "The area is currently impacted by the heavy winter rains and lack of a snowpack, so our efforts are focused on locating and creating trails while at the same time assessing long term boardwalk and bridge needs."

Greeley said the area has a lot of history and would be a perfect spot to cultivate some

"The Vanderbilt area is behind what was once the Norwood arena where some residents may still remember having seen stock car and dragster races and demolition derbies," he said. "The new trails include an area identified on Google Earth as the 'Pine Tree Forest' that is highlighted by a beautiful old growth pine tree grove that we may reach on the walk if the weather, moonlight and time cooperates."

The NTAC is currently working to create what it's calling the Norwood Emerald Necklace, emulating the ring of green parks in Boston originally envisioned by Frederick Law Olmsted, the designer of Central Park.

"This segment, as well as

the Meadow Street and University Ave segments provide great views of the Neponset River and Traphole and Purgatory Brooks and will develop and greatly improve the passive recreational use opportunities of these natural resources," he

The NTAC is asking that no one bring pets as it is currently coyote mating season.

The Norwood Trails Committee will also be hosting a full moon walk on March 22 and will be participating in the upcoming Earth Day and Invasives Cleanups coming up in April. The NTAC is currently working to develop the Shelter trail along the western side of University Avenue, explore trail access along the Neponset River near Route 95 and expand access to their trail maps.

If you have any questions, reach out to the Trails Commitemail Trails@NorwoodMA.gov.





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Koka, went over a plan from his clients at 3 Edgwater Dr. detailing a new stormwater outflow for the site that would treat the water going into the brook.

He laid out soil conditions that were apparently favorable to water recharge, basically filtering the water through sand. However, Jones took issue with his assessment of the site.

"I find your characterization of the soils as 'sandy' and 'welldraining,' as disingenuous," she said. "Since the trees were cleared, I have never been on that site where there was not standing water, which after the violation has seen the colonization of cattails and arborvitaes and other obligate wetland species, which indicates to me it's not draining within three

Jones added the entirety of the proposed basin is within the 100-year floodplain.

Koka said there would be a sediment forebay that could handle rain buildup of up to a quarter inch on the entirety of the parking lot.

ConCom member Peter Bamber said he felt this plan would endanger the Trap Hole Brook again, as the water would be sitting there too long and could overflow given the right amount of rainwater fall-

"We're spending a lot of time, effort and money on fixing our streams and brooks, I don't see why we'd want to endanger them," he said.



A screenshot of the site Norwood Conservation Agent Holly Jones showed during the meeting detailing the inundation of the previously forested area.

Courtesy Photo

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tors during Wednesday's services for former Town Manager John Carroll.

"We've been working for the last day-and-a-half to get Memorial Hall ready for the wake tomorrow. We had a lot of staff come in to really shine Memorial Hall up," he said. "It's been a herculean effort Chief David Hayes for his

to get it ready for tomorrow, but it will be a nice sendoff for John and a credit to those departments for making it hap-

Also at the meeting, Selectman Bob Donnelly said he wanted to thank retiring Norwood Fire Department work with the department.

"I believe it's his last week as fire chief and I'd like to thank him for his 30 years in working with the fire department," he said. "As chair of the Finance Commission I found him to be very informative, proactive and detailed in his analysis of his budget as well as his capital needs and as a member of the Capital Outlay Committee he certainly had many successes in putting forward some very important needs of the fire department. So I would like to wish Chief Hayes well and thank him for his service."

Lastly, Plasko said he wanted to extend his condolences to State Sen. Michael Rush whose father passed away this past weekend.

"It's always a tough thing," he said. "I know the toughest thing was when my father died, so I wish him

"There's six other people on the commission you can work with, but I'm not going to support this basin."

Treasurer Carly Rocklen

"So this is the kind of fork in the road for which I wanted commissioners to weigh in," Jones said. "An outlet structure like that would keep this area as a stormwater basin -"

"Which I don't want to see," said Bamber.

"So my suggestion would be to eliminate this area as a functioning stormwater basin so the water discharging from the sediment forebay would flow over land through a vegetated area into the brook," Jones continued.

Jones said the water would then be clean enough to enter the brook with minimal damage and would clear the parking lot of stormwater. Jones also said the original violation of removing the vegetation must be rectified and replaced.

Jones also said the berm enclosing the area will need more fill than Koka has proposed so as to be able to support the kinds of trees that were there before, as some soil was likely removed during the grubbing (removal of vegetation). Jones also asked that a vegetation plan be submitted to show where and how they were going to replace the removed vegetation.

Rocklen added that she wanted to see native plants favored in that plan.

"I was noticing on the plan that there was a red osier dogwood proposed but it was from Siberia, so if you could use the native versions of the plants, that would be most ecologically useful for the Town," she said.

The ConCom voted to continue the hearing to March 15.

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Public Hearing Notice Norwood Planning Board

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of Norwood will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on March 13, 2023 at 7:00 PM on the request of Neponset River LLC, c/o Hobbs Brook Real Estate LLC with respect to property located at 1125-1175 Boston Providence Turnpike, Norwood, MA 02062, in the BPH Zoning District and in the M District. The hearing will be held at Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062 as well as via remote participation:

> Google Meet joining info Video call link: https://meet.google.com/mhu-ifvs-njz Or dial: (US) +1 401-646-2388 PIN: 517 092 088#

The Applicant requests a Major Project Special Permit under Norwood Zoning Bylaw Sections 3.2.2 and 7.4.3 [Major Projects] to allow for the partial redevelopment of the above-referenced property to include demolition of an existing structure, construction of a new approximately 300,000 sf structure, construction of new structured parking (pursuant to a special permit under Section 6.1.7), and associated landscaping, parking and drainage improvements. The applicant also seeks relief from parking requirements in Sections 6.1.3, 6.1.10 and 6.1.12 to reduce the number of required parking spaces and to vary the minimum dimensions for drive aisles and parking spaces. The Board will also conduct Site Plan Review pursuant to Section 10.5 at this time.

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 Planning Board and may be requested by emailing cped@norwoodma.gov or by calling 781-762-1240 ext. 6055, Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Norwood Record: 02/23/23, 03/02/23

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CPC approves all projects

Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

The Norwood Community Preservation Committee (CPC) voted unanimously to approve all presented projects at its most recent meeting on Wednesday. These projects still require approval of the Board of Selectmen and Town Meeting scheduled for May 8.

First to be approved is the historic preservation of the Old Parish Cemetery at \$530,000. The work includes restoration of the fences around the property and work at the entrances to the site.

The CPC voted to use \$430,000 from unrestricted funds and \$100,000 from historic preservation so as not to deplete the historic preservation subset of funding.

The Norwood Historic Commission will likely be requesting \$192,000 and \$10,000 for building rehabilitation and historic register designation consulting respectively, at the Morse House. Those funds would be coming out of historic preservation if approved and finalized. The CPC had previously voted to allow the proposal to come in late, but it has not been officially submitted as of the date of publication.

The CPC also voted to appropriate \$11,000 for preservation of annual Town reports. The request for funding came from the Town's General Manager's Office. The CPC also unanimously approved \$10,000 from historic preservation for the preservation and restoration of furniture at the Memorial Town Hall, as well as the preservation of the 1890 Town Directory Book at \$5,000. Both the previous items were requested by the Norwood General Manager's

The CPC also voted to approve a request from the Norwood Housing Authority (NHA) of \$350,000 for window and siding replacement to increase heating efficiency in one of the NHA's building complexes. The proposed site is the McDonough Housing development at Nahatan Village, which serves elderly and disabled residents. The funding would replace windows that were originally installed in the 1960s. This will be the first time Norwood has used the affordable housing bracket for Community Preservation Act funds.

In other news, member Joseph Greeley went over the projected finances for fiscal year 2024 (FY24). He said for predicting the numbers

they're using two different methods, since the funds for the CPC come from two different sources. The first source is the 1 percent surcharge on all Norwood homeowners' property taxes, estimated to raise \$866,000. In this method, Greeley said they estimate using the 2.5 percent increase cap the Town is required by state law to use as its maximum tax rate increase factor (unless there's a budget override).

Greeley said the state is a bit more guesswork, since the state matching funds are taken out of deed transfers each year.

"So we don't really know how much the state will collect," he said. "In this case we use the FY23 estimated surcharge, which was \$764,000, and we take 10 percent of that, totaling \$76,000. It's actually very conservative."

Greeley said they will run their estimates by the Finance Department to make sure all their I's and T's are dotted and crossed respectively.

"Just to make sure that the direction we're going in is the right direction and that our assumptions are proper," he said. "But so far this looks like a good assumption for us."

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. NO22P3541EA

Norfolk Division
Estate of: Barbara A. Pink
Also known as: Barbara Ann Pink

Date of Death: 10/10/2022

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner

Kathryn E. Pink of Norton, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Kathryn E. Pink of Norton, MA

has been informally appointed as the **Personal Representative** of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION TO PARTITION

Docket No. 23E0002PP

Norfolk Probate and Family Court 36 Shawmut Road Canton, MA 02021 (781)830-1200

In the matter of: Petition to Partition 50 Emerson Drive, Norwood, MA
To Kathryn M. Rogers, Judith S. Dunn f/k/a Judith S. Broderius, Beth J. Oleson,
William G. Dunn, Jr. and Roberta Dunn-Tracy and to all other interested
persons, a petition has been presented to said Court by Timothy L. Dunn of
Mattapoisett in the county of Plymouth County representing that they hold as Tenant
in Common a 16.666% undivided part or share of certain land lying in Norwood in
the county of Norfolk, and briefly described as follows 50 Emerson Drive, Norwood,
MA and setting forth that they desire that all of said land may be sold at private sale or
public auction for not less than \$650,000.00 and praying that partition may be made
of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end, that a commissioner be
appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all,
or any part of said land which the court finds cannot be advantageously divided, either
at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute and pay over the net
proceeds thereof in such manner to make the partition just and equal.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said Court at Canton before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the March 15, 2023 the return day of this citation.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court

Date: February 9, 2023

Colleen M. Brierley, Register of Probate Norwood Record: 2/16/23, 2/23/23, 3/2/23

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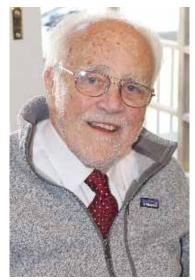


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CARROLL



John J. Carroll Jr., who served 39 years as town manager of Norwood and was a former commissioner for the state Department of Public Works during the Blizzard of 1978, died Feb. 25, 2023, at the age of 95. John was noted for his work ethic – he retired from Norwood at the age of 89. He was also known his gift of storytelling: On annual sixhour trips to Maine, the first thing he would say was, "Turn off the radio." And then he would delight his truly captive audience with stories of his 18 children or his work exploits. Besides his longtime career in Norwood and his work for the state, where he served under former Gov. Michael Dukakis, John was a longtime member of the Massachusetts Municipal Association; and an original board member to the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority, where he was vice chair. He was also a former elder at Park Street Church, the former head of the Massachusetts chapter of Multiple Sclerosis, a former member of the board for YoungLife, and a former member of the Dedham School Committee. He had the distinction of having two buildings named after him – an MWRA water treatment plant in Marlborough and the Norwood DPW administration building. Born in Hyde Park, he lived for decades in Dedham and Milton. He also served in the US Army during the Korean War, graduated

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with a degree in civil engineering, was a former editor and writer for New England Construction magazine, and ran the Department of Public Works in Lexington. Up until a few years ago, he was a fixture on Sundays in the Park Street Church upper balcony and also outside after services handing out sandwiches to the unhoused. His life revolved around God and his faith, his family, Norwood, and either the Red Sox or the Patriots, depending on the season. He is survived by his second wife, Penelope (Martin) Carroll. John was predeceased by his first wife, Marilyn (McGrann) Carroll, who died of cancer, and his parents, John J. Carroll Sr. and Elizabeth (Kelly) Carroll, and his sister, Sister Elizabeth M. Carroll, CSJ. John is survived by his children: Matt Carroll (Elaine), Martin Denise Hines (Michael), Judithe Carroll Mason (Joseph), Michelle Martin, Cathleen Carroll Sinnott (John), Kevin Martin (Rose, deceased), Keith Martin (Deana), Peter Carroll, B. Brian Martin (Rosanna), Chris Carroll (Janine), Darren Martin, Ted Carroll (Kate), Chris Martin (Joanie), Shannon Martin Jordan (Derek), Ivan Carroll, Shawn Carroll, Charlotte Vilches and Angela Najera. He is also survived by many grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. Visiting hours were held at Norwood Town Hall, Memorial Hall, 566 Washington St., Norwood, on Wednesday, March 1. A funeral service will be held at Trinity Community Church, 234 Walpole St., Norwood on Thursday, March 2, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Interment will be in Norwood Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the

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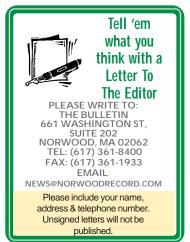


Jean Patricia (Welch) Dion, a lifelong resident of Norwood, passed away in her home surrounded by her loving family on February 21, 2023, just short of her 96th birthday. Beloved wife of the late Normand D. Dion Sr. of Norwood. Loving mother of Suzanne Lowe and husband Kevin of Norwood, Normand David Dion Jr. of Norwood, Janine Rasmussen and her husband Richard of Myrtle Beach, Danielle Elliott and her husband James of Norton, and Andre Dion and his wife Jeannine of South Carolina. Cherished grandmother of 21 grandchildren 5 great grandchildren. Dear sister of Elizabeth Foster of Walpole, the late Claire Songin and her husband Walter Songin of Walpole, the late Mary Ellen Lloyd and her husband Thomas Lloyd of Norwood, and the late Brenda Welch of Norwood. Jean was also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Jean was the daughter of the late John P. and Ellen J. (Regan) Welch. She was a proud graduate of Norwood High School, Class of 1945. Jean enjoyed spending time on beaches from Cape Cod to the Caribbean. She took many cruises and other adventures even into the later years of her life. She was an avid bingo player where she made lifelong friendships with fellow bingo enthusiasts. Books were not hard to find in Jean's bedroom as they were another joy in her life. Backyard cookouts and pool parties were some of Jean's happiest memories with her family. It would not have been a pool party on Elliot St. without Jean's famous potato salad and Manhattan clam chowder. Her gift of loving children spread through extended family. She took care of not only her own children and grandchildren, but cared for her nieces and nephews as if they were her own. Cinnamon toast cut into triangles with ginger ale will never be the same without her. A Funeral Mass was held in St. Catherine of Siena Church, 547 Washington Street, Norwood on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 11:00 AM. The Mass was followed by Burial at Highland Cemetery, 320 Winter Street, Norwood. Arrangements were provided by Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Jean's memory to St. Jude Children's Hospital, https:// www.stjude.org/donate

FINNEY



JOANNE (McEachern), a lifelong resident of Norwood, passed away on February 22, 2023 at the age of 65. Beloved wife of William J. Finney. Devoted mother of Clinton J. Finney and his longtime companion Melissa Sicovs of Norwood, Nicole R. Finney of Norwood, Jake W. Finney and his wife Maryadair of Lynn and Jessica A. Trahon and her husband Joseph of W. Roxbury. Sister of Paul McEachern, Donna Davenport, Marybeth Erskine, Patricia O'Connor, Scott McEachern and the late Brian J. McEachern. Cherished grandmother of Archie, Adair and Conor. Daughter of the late Donald J. and Robert A. (Butler) McEachern. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. Funeral from the funeral home



on Thursday, March 2, 2023 at 10am followed by a funeral mass at 11am at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 0 2 2 8 4 - 9 1 6 8 www.danafarber.org

March 2, 2023

KIBBEE-DEVINE

MARION (Warren) of Norwood passed away on February 26, 2023 at the age of 80. Beloved wife of Philip B. Devine. Devoted mother of Douglas R. Kibbee of Georgetown. Sister of John Wescott of NH, Robert Wescott of ME and Mary Carroll of NH. Cherished grandmother of Jonathan P. Kibbee and Jordan J. Kibbee both of Georgetown. A funeral mass will be held on Friday, March 3, 2023 11am at St. Catherine of Siena Church 547 Washington St. Norwood, MA. Burial will follow the funeral mass at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Shriners Children's Hospital 51 Blossom St, Boston, MA 02114 www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/ locations/boston

MORRISSEY



John F. "Jack", 94, longtime resident of Norwood, entered into rest on Thursday, February 23, 2023. He was the devoted husband of Marilyn "Peggy" (O'Neil) Morrissey for 40 years, prior to her passing in 1994. Jack is survived by his daughter, Caroline E. Stratton and her husband Joseph Maurath; his brother, Robert Morrissey and his wife Rose; his sister, Frances Flint; his best friend. Barbara and her children: Bernie Wenstrom and his wife Janice, and Tricia (Wenstrom) Findlen and her husband Steve; and his adoptive grandchildren: Nicole, Kelsey, Cassidy, Tyler, and Jasmine. He also leaves behind many nieces and nephews. In addition to his dear wife Marilyn, he was predeceased by his sister, Jean. Jack enlisted in the U.S. Navy at a young age, where he trained as an aerial gunner, and served on the U.S.S. Valley Forge through the peacekeeping period following WWII. During his three year tour of active duty, he also developed gourmet culinary skills

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National Multiple Sclerosis

Society, 465 Waverley Oaks

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(NEA). Her interest in work- would also be an amazing oppor- 1990 of effects of diabetes in only to her teaching career, but as a Girl Scout troop leader in Norwood, as well as having served on the Massachusetts Girl Scout Council. She even earned the name "Mrs. Girl Scout." She attended the United Church of Norwood, where she taught Sunday School. In 1968, Irma and her husband both tried to encourage the Norwood School Committee to become one of the first towns to participate in the new METCO (Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity) program, a voluntary school desegregation program. They felt it was an amazing opportunity not just for the children who would travel to Norwood from Boston, but

ing with children extended not tunity for Norwood students as Norwood Hospital.

well. Although Irma's professional interest was working with children, she did have other interests as well. At Tufts she joined Delta Sigma Theta Sorority (1935); when Irma's daughter, Judith, joined Delta Sigma Theta at Lesley College in 1961, her mother pinned her. She was the National President of the Northeasterners, a charitable social organization. With her husband Irma was a member of the Neponset Valley Tufts Club, serving as their Secretary. The Diggs family spent summers at Oak Bluffs on Martha's Vineyard; this led Irma to become a member of the Dukes County Historical Society. Irma died at age 75 on July 20th,

Irma's teaching legacy was taken up by both daughters: Judith taught early childhood for almost 50 years and Jacqueline taught physical education and became a high school administrator, both in public schools.

It appears Irma was not just satisfied with letting life pass by. It would have been easy for her to just settle into her home on Washington Street and quietly raise her family, but Irma, like so many others in her family, actively participated in Norwood, her community, leaving it all the better.

We gratefully thank Judith Diggs Potter, Irma's daughter, for her assistance with this pro-

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which were greatly appreciated Foxx and her husband Thoby his fellow sailors and would later be enjoyed immensely by friends and family alike. An extraordinary baker, he would commonly arrive at family gatherings with a delicious homemade pie, and he rarely cooked the same one twice. A loyal and dedicated worker, Jack drove long-distance tractor trailers for H.P. Hood & Sons for 40 years, and was awarded numerous safe driver stars during his career. Not only was he a gifted chef, but Jack was also an experienced golfer, boater, and an avid gardener of vegetables and flowers. It seemed that whatever activity he practiced, he would quickly master. He was a longtime member and former president of North Walpole Fish and Game Club. And his enthusiasm for the holidays earned him the reputation of world-class Christmas decorator, as his cherished Christmas Village expanded over many years. A funeral service for Jack was held on February 27th, with interment at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in memory of Jack may be made to your charity of choice.

O'CONNOR

"Jim" James R. Norwood, formerly of West Roxbury and Mission Hill, February 25, 2023. Beloved husband of 63 years to Mary P. (Hennessy). Loving father of James F. and his wife Janice of Westwood, John J. and his wife Linda of Easton. David J. and his wife Teresa of Norfolk, and M. Kristen Home 617-323-5600

mas of Dedham. Cherished grandfather of Jessica Lang and her husband Kenneth, Kara Miller and her husband Dana, Griffin and Shea O'Connor, Maisy O'Connor and Michaela Foxx. Loving great-grandfather of Nathan and Brady Lang, and Logan and Hailey Miller. Brother of the late Ruth Tinklepaugh. Dear brother-in-law of Rev. John J. Hennessy, CSsR of the Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, The Mission Church. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Center St., WEST ROXBURY, on Friday, March 3, at 10:00 am. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in St. Theresa of Avila Church at 11:00 am. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours in the funeral home on Thursday, March 2nd, from 3:00 to 7:00 pm. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Jim was a history teacher and guidance counselor, football coach and Athletic Director at Catholic Memorial High School, and the Athletic Director at Framingham High School, 1983 inductee into the MA High School Football Hall of Fame, and founder of the Shriners Football Classic. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Catholic Memorial High School, "CM FUND," the Mission Church @ Bostonbasilica.org or to Shriners Hospital for Children @ donate.lovetotherescue.org www.lawlerfuneralhome.com Lawler & Crosby Funeral

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 March 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM on the request of Margaret Cignarella, represented by Stephen David Esq., (Case #23-04) with respect to property located at 9 High Street (Map 5 Block 9 Lot 12), 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

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

This Application requests a variance under Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 4.1.2 [Dimensional Requirements] to allow conversion from an existing single family dwelling unit to a two family dwelling unit. The lot provides 10,000 SF where 15,000 SF are required for a two family structure in this district.

Any zoning relief that may be required in adherence to the Norwood Zoning Bylaw shall be consideredby 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 $emailing \ \underline{cped@norwoodma.gov}$ $Monday-Friday,\,8{:}00\;am-4{:}00\;pm.$

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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 March 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM on the request of Loretta Braverman, represented by David Hern Jr., Esq. (Case #23-05) with respect to property located at 30 Pleasant Place(Map 17 Block 8 Lot 2A), 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

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 variance under Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 4.0 [Dimensional Requirements] to allow land division that would create two new lots that are nonconforming on lot width and frontage. Relief is also requested on setback requirements of the existing structures on each of those proposed lots.

Any zoning relief that may be required in adherence to the Norwood Zoning Bylaw shall be consideredby 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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The Norwood Record **PELLOWE**

Richard E. "Dick", a longtime resident of Norwood, MA, most recently residing in Henderson, Nevada, beloved husband of Sebia (Keane) for 17 years, passed away on December 15th, 2022, at the age of 82, following a brief illness. He was the brother of the late William F. Pellowe and Bette Pellowe of Norwood. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his sister in law, Martha Pellowe of Norwood, nephews, William of Fukuoka, Japan, Thomas of Denver, Colorado, John of Norwood, and his niece, Maura of Norwood. He was the son of the late William and Mary (Deady) Pellowe. Dick graduated from Norwood High School in 1958 and was an outstanding third baseman on the baseball team. When he was at the 'hot corner', very few hits got passed his golden glove. He went on to earn his B.S.A. degree from Bentley College and worked for John Hancock Insurance Company for 30 years until his retirement in 1996. An avid reader, he also enjoyed watching football and baseball games on television and going to the casinos with his wife in and around Henderson. He had a keen interest in the New England weather forecasts. During the winter months he would make it a point to call his friends in the Boston area, especially when a snow storm was approaching and Henderson was sunny and warm. There will be a Memorial Mass celebrated at 4 pm on March 11th at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Norwood. Relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend. Donations in his memory may be made to the charity of your choice.

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 March 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM on the request of KathleenYazbak, represented by David Hern Jr. Esq., (Case #23-03) with respect to property located at 41 Railroad Avenue(Map 4 Block 11A Lot 10), Norwood, MA 02062, in theGeneral 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:

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 the Norwood Zoning Bylaw Section 5.4 [Nonconforming Structures] to allow the construction of an addition to a pre-existing nonconforming single family residence. The existing lot is nonconforming on front, front and side setbacks.

Any zoning relief that may be required in adherence to the Norwood Zoning Bylaw shall be consideredby 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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PICCIRILLI



DOMINIC Anthony of Westwood, formerly Dedham and Hyde Park, passed away on February 23, 2023 at the age of 91. Son of the late John and Santina (Petrucci) Piccirilli. Brother of John J. Piccirilli and his wife Irene of Plymouth and the late Laura Medaglia, Vincent Piccirilli, Joseph Piccirilli and Albert Piccirilli. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Dominic was a graduate of Bentley College receiving a degree in Finance. He was a Korean War US Air Force Veteran. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. A funeral home service was held on Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 12noon followed by a burial at Fairview Cemetery, Hyde Park, MA.

PLACE YOUR **ADS IN THE** Norwood Record

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. NO23P0224EA

Estate of: Duncan R. MacEachern Date of Death: 11/09/2019

> Norfolk Probate and Family Court 35 Shawmut Road Canton, MA 02021 781-830-1200

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment has been filed by Maureen P. MacEachern of Hudson, NH

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Maureen P. MacEachern of Hudson, NH be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M on the return day of 03/15/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 9, 2023

Colleen M. Brierley, Register of

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and **Environmental Affairs**

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MEPA Office

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

PROJECT: FM Global Norwood Campus Redevelopment LOCATION:

1125 - 1175 Boston Providence Turnpike,

Norwood, Massachusetts PROPONENT:

Neponset River, LLC, c/o Hobbs Brook Real Estate LLC

The undersigned is submitting an **Expanded Environmental Notification** Form ("EENF") to the Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs on or before February 28, 2023.

This will initiate review of the above project pursuant to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act ("MEPA," M.G.L. c. 30, ss. 61-62L). Copies of the EENF may be obtained from:

Environmental Partners c/o Scott D. Turner, PE, AICP, LEED AP ND

1900 Crown Colony Drive, Suite 402 Quincy, MA 02169 Phone: 617.657.0280 Email: sdt@envpartners.com

Electronic copies of the EENF are also being sent to the Conservation Commission and Planning Board of Norwood.

The Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs will publish notice of the EENF in the Environmental Monitor, receive public comments on the project, and then decide if an Environmental Impact Report is required. A site visit and/or remote consultation session on the project may also be scheduled. All persons wishing to comment on the project, or to be notified of a site visit and/or remote consultation session, should email MEPA@mass. gov or the MEPA analyst listed in the Environmental Monitor. Requests for language translation or other accommodations should be directed to the same email address. Mail correspondence should be directed to the

Secretary of Energy & **Environmental Affairs,** 100 Cambridge St., Suite 900, Boston, Massachusetts 02114,

Attention: MEPA Office, referencing the above project.

By: Neponset River, LLC, c/o Hobbs Brook Real Estate LLC

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Monday, February 20

0603 Phone - Noise Complaint Assisted Party Location/Address: Home Depot Lumber Dc - University Ave Caller from neighboring street reports work vehicles blowing horns. Both management and calling party were spoken to and advised. Business will be more conscious of noise from their vehicles. Calling party notified and satisfied.

0837 Walk-In - Lost And Found Services Rendered Location/ Address: Dedham Medical Associates - Bos-Prov Hwy Party in lobby turns in a watch. N663 filled out a Lost and Found Entry Form.

1227 911 - Be On The Lookout Services Rendered Location: [Fox] Teletype BOLO for Chrysler, Pacifica, Silver/ grey, blacked out plates, for smash-and-grabs to 7 vehicles at their YMCA.

1350 Cellular - Mischief (Kids)
Spoken To Location/Address:
Norwood Plaza - Nahatan St
Report kids on scooters using
outside tables and retaining
wall to jump up on and bothering customers of the stores.
N661 locates them at
Norwood Central train station
and spoke to them.

1721 Phone - Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/ Address: Courtyard By Marriott - River Ridge Dr Employee reports group at rear of property staying in campers, soliciting money and food from guests. All parties trespassed from the property and sent on their way. Management to secure private tows for two vehicles.

1934 Phone - Well Being Chk Gone On Arrival Location/ Address: Washington St Report of a male party on a bench, slouched over.

2134 Other - Repossession Vehicle Towed Location/Address: Inverness Rd MA PC 4TJG19.

2210 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Everett St Caller concerned for her fifteen year old sister who has not been heard from for several hours, cell phone currently turned off. BOLO to the cars. MC7 located party at the corner of Washington Street and Forbes Avenue. N663 provided that juvenile a courtesy transport to the station to await her parent S/M 57407.9 at 2233, E/M 57409.5 at 2237.

Tuesday, February 21

0134 Other - Complaint Of MV Vehicle Towed Location/ Address: Dean St MA PC 9RV234 and MA PC 3RBD28 trespass towed by Akiki & Sons

0257 Other - Complaint Of MV Vehicle Towed Location/

Address: Dean St MA PC 3EHS44 trespass towed by Akiki & Sons.

0720 Phone - Malicious Damage *Report Filed Location/ Address: Washington St Maintenance reports a broken window to right side of the lobby door. 0740 Phone -Malicious Damage *Report Filed Location/Address: Nichols St Caller reports her car was damaged overnight. 1128 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/ Address: Washington St Business owner at A&E not online for a class and no answer at the days. Officer was able to contact family. Business closed.

1132 Phone - Complaint Of MV Spoken To Location/Address: McDonald's - Everett/Rte1 - Bos-Prov Hwy Vehicle with a for sale in the lot for few days. Officer located the new owner and some confusion on the sale and will be removed. Manager advised.

1218 Phone - Assist Citizen *Report Filed Location/Address: Inverness Rd Potential scam attempt. Report to be filed.

1300 Other - Recovered Missing Person Services Rendered Location/Address: Nichols St 23-200-OF. N491 finds Missing Person who sent a suicidal text. N491 locates him at home and will file follow-up report.

1420 Cellular - Well Being Chk Fire Dept Notified/Responded Location/Address: Guild Medical Building -Washington St Report 2nd and 3rd floor elevator doors not open, no verbal response when knocking on same. NFD will double check that no one is in them. Note: Power outage in area. 1617 Walk-In -Auto Theft *Report Filed Location/Address: Mcdonalds - Everett/Rte1 -Bos-Prov Hwy Party in the lobby reports his vehicle MA PC 2AE792 was taken from the parking lot a month ago. Vehicle entered into NCIC

1621 Phone - Trespassing Vehicle Towed Location/Address: Windsor Gardens - Walpole St MA 6TG357 towed by Negoshians request of management

1623 Phone - Trespassing Spoken To Location/Address: Windsor Gardens - Walpole St MA 6TG357 towed by Negoshians per Management. Tow file entry.

1934 Walk-In - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Geraldine Dr Suspicious activity seen on Ring camera, party walking around property 2032 Phone - Bad Check (S) *Report Filed Location/Address: Citizens Bank - Bos-

Prov Hwy Caller reports

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party attempted to pass a bad check.

Wednesday, February 22

0135 Other - Complaint Of MV Vehicle Towed Location/Address: Dean St MA PC 9RV234 trespass towed by Akiki & Sons.

0325 Phone - Complaint Of MV Vehicle Towed Location/Address: Windsor Gardens - Walpole St Negoshians trespass tows 8 vehicles: FL Reg 30AYPA. MA PC 3MNZ67, 3TMS17, 2VGP58, 4SCH31, 633XX1, 2XA533. MA PC 3ZT381, attached to a Honda Civic.

0857 Phone - Complaint Of MV Civil Matter Location/ Address: A&E Driving School Inc. - Washington St Report her brother, who ran the business, has passed away and people are informing her that they see the company car still driving around. Also customers are asking for their money back for pre-paid lessons. N661 reports they think it is another brother in the family, advised that whoever has standing in the business now can report car issue and customer issue is a civil matter.

0925 Phone - Hit And Run *Report Filed Location/Address:
TD Bank - Nahatan St Report parked, unoccupied car was sideswiped in parking lot yesterday. 1004 Walk-In - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Norwood Depot - Railroad Ave Door on the shed is open and road salt exposed. DPW advised the T twice this week. Officer advised.

Thursday, February 23

1710 Phone - Assist Citizen Assisted Party Location/Address: Astor Ave Male party stated he is stuck in his vehicle behind 85 Astor Ave after attempting to fish in the brook. MA 6CK693 N665 & N663 responded. Vehicle and owner was assisted to roadway after the fence gate was unlocked by employees at the business.

1805 Phone - Parking Violation Parking Ticket Issued Location/Address: Rock St caller stated vehicle bearing an out of state registration is parked the wrong way for 3 days and not sure if its occupied.

1820 Walk-In - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/ Address: Garden Pkwy suspicious party walked into back yard earlier this morning and caught on camera. N666 posted on DHQ

2227 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Ace Coin Laundry - Washington St party called and stated he left his wallet at the laundromat and the business is closed. Requested to speak with an officer. N679 responded. N679 advised the wallet was possibly picked up by employee and to follow up in the morning

Friday, February 24

1346 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Hill St Advice given about a potential scam. Account opened in her name at AT&T.

1346 Phone - Assist Citizen *Report Filed Location/Address: Talbot Farm Rd Officers respond to remove property and provide a letter of suspension for the LTC. 1556 Phone - Well Being Chk Taken/Referred To Other Agency Location/Address: Marriot Hotel - River Ridge Dr Officers check the Courtyard and all RTE 1 hotels for a subject who is DK and may harm himself. After more contact with his therapist she was able to confirm he is in Canton. She was directed to Canton PD and they located him on Royal Ave.

Saturday, February 25

0041 911 - Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: Limey's Pub - Washington St Employee reports a patron was refusing to leave and being confrontational with staff. Party left the premises prior to arrival. Found nearby and given a courtesy transport home.

0056911 - Susp Activity Gone on Arrival Location/Address: Ridgewood Dr Caller reports someone ringing her doorbell. Officers checked the area, negative results; spoke with resident, satisfied.

0211 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/ Address: Dean St Caller reports girlfriend was drinking earlier and has not been heard from in an hour. Officers spoke with mother, confirmed she was home and sleeping.

0928 911 - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/ Address Mcdonalds - Broadway St Caller on 9-1-1 does not believe we are the police, also states she is having an electronic issue with her cable. N674 courtesy transports her to Food Pantry 150 Chapel St. S/M 41331 0940 Hrs., E/M 41333.0, then back to home on Guild Party now willingly wanting to talk to counselor. N674 reports she will walk across the street to Riverside.

1306 911 - Malicious Damage Services Rendered Location/ Address: Neponset St calling party reports that the community mailbox has damage to it and mail is scattered. N679 responded N679 reports no damage.

1614 Cellular - Animal Com-

plaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Pleasant St Report dog on a leash on front porch of home, shivering. N.A.C.O. reports owner home, let dog out to go bathroom, dog inside upon his arrival.

1842 Cellular - Missing Person Services Rendered Location/ Address: Village Rd W Report 7yoa son has not returned from going to a friend's home. 1653-N665 locate him on Kings Ct. and walk him home. N661 reports miscommunication amongst family, everyone back together

2155 Initiated - Susp Vehicle Spoken To Location/Address: Shaws Supermarket -Nahatan St N665 comes across MA PC 7SL320. N665 spoke to him, moved him along.

Sunday, February 26

0213 Initiated - Parking Violation Parking Ticket Issued Location/Address: West St + Crescent Ave Area C 7 parking tickets issued.

0349 911 - Report Of Fire *Report Filed Location/Address:
Broadway Collision Center Broadway Report car on fire.
NFD sent. Business owner notified.

0833 Other - Recovered MV Services Rendered Location: Webster,Ma Webster PD reports at 0217 Hrs they recovered MA PC 2AE792. Supplemental report filed under 23-208-OF.

1015 Cellular - Illegal Trash Disposal Spoken To Location/Address: Norwood Space Center - Morse St Report pick-up truck, "Home Depot" logo, 2 males placing items in dumpster. N663 reports appears to be a miscommunication, they removed items for now until it can be cleared up.

1420 Phone - Malicious Damage *Report Filed Location/ Address: Walnut Ave Caller reports someone keyed his vehicle.

1919 Other - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/ Address: Hampden Dr As a result, N664 places one party under arrest and transports him to the station. Arrest: Campbell, Christopher Jeremy Address: 94 Hampden Dr Apt. #2b Norwood, Ma Age: 46 Charges: Warrant Arrest

2029 Phone - Complaint Of MV Services Rendered Location/Address: ROJO - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller in verbal argument with another customer, states he is possibly intoxicated. Officers spoke with all parties involved, no impairments. Advised. 2036 Phone - Fireworks Area Search Negative Location/Address: Windsor Gardens - Walpole St

2038 911 - Susp Activity Area Search Negative Location/ Address: St Joseph Ave + Washington St Caller hears strange sounds, believes neighbor may be using a BB gun. Officer reports all quiet upon arrival. Caller advised.

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ISAAC FITZGERALD, AUTHOR OF "DIRTBAG, MASSACHUSETTS"

Join the Morrill Memorial Library and other Massachusetts public libraries for a very special virtual author event with Isaac Fitzgerald, author of "Dirtbag, Massachusetts," on Tuesday, March 7 at 7:00pm on Crowdcast.

Isaac Fitzgerald has lived many lives. He's been an altar boy, a bartender, a fat kid, a smuggler, a biker, a prince of New England. But before all that, he was a bomb that exploded his parents' lives—or so he was told. In "Dirtbag, Massachusetts," Fitzgerald, with warmth and humor, recounts his ongoing search for forgiveness, a more far-reaching vision of masculinity, and a more expansive definition of family and self.

Fitzgerald appears frequently on The Today Show and is also the author of the bestselling children's book "How to Be a Pirate" as well as the co-author of "Pen & Ink: Tattoos and the Stories Behind Them" and "Knives & Ink: Chefs and the Stories Behind Their Tattoos." His writing has appeared in The New York Times, The Atlantic, Esquire, The Guardian, The Best American Nonrequired Read-

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ing, and numerous other publications. He is Boston born, raised in Athol, and currently lives in Brooklyn NY

The discussion will be moderated by Daniel Ford, host of the "Writer's Bone" podcast.

This live online event will be held on the platform Crowdcast; registration is required. For instructions on how to register, visit norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

The Morrill Memorial Library is co-hosting this event with the Reading Public Library and a coalition of libraries from throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

CELEBRATE ARAB MOTHER'S DAY

Join the Morrill Memorial Library and Center for Arabic Culture to celebrate Arab Mother's Day. We are excited to bring this unique program to the Norwood community.

It will take place in the library on Saturday March 18, from 1 pm to 4 pm. All ages welcome. You may be an adult signing up for yourself or a family with children. We have events geared towards all ages.

Did you know that in the Arab World Mother's Day is celebrated on March 21st at the beginning of spring equinox? This celebration was introduced by Egyptian Journalist Moustafa Amin in 1943. The tradition then spread to neighboring countries in the region.

Join us to learn about the history of Mother's Day celebration, and the customs and traditions that Arabs and Arabs American carry on every year to honor their mothers, wives, and women. The event will kick off with a presentation about Arabic Culture, Mother's Day, and the role of women in the Arab World. It will be followed by a calligraphy workshop. Hajj Wafaa, an Iraqi Ameri-

can artist will hold the workshop and walk the audience through the art and history of Arabic calligraphy. Attendees will take home a small canvas with their name written in Arabic. The Canvas will be a great gift that you can take home or present to a loved one. The event will conclude with a craft and story telling by one of the Center for Arabic Culture teachers. Participants will get to see displays of Arabic arts and fabrics, and will be able to sample tasty Arabic treats, while supplies last.

This event is free and open to all. Registration is required. Sign up at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference Desk at 781-769-0200 x2. This program is sponsored by Friends of the Morrill Memorial Library.

CALM YOUR MIND

The Morrill Memorial Library is excited to bring an in-person, mindfulness workshop called Calm your

mind by instructor Emily Egan Bright on two Mondays in March. Due to popular demand, we are offering two identical sessions on Mondays 20th and 27th. Please register for one of the sessions. Session 1: Monday March 20, Session 2: Monday March 27, Time: 6 pm to 6:45 pm (for both the sessions).

Emily will explain the concept of meditation and mindfulness followed by some techniques and exercises that will engage the participants.

Emily holds a Bachelor of Psychology degree, and a Masters in Public Health. She has facilitated various group therapy sessions with an emphasis on psychoeducation, and positive psychology. She also has extensive experience in facilitating different types of mindfulness groups, learning from members/clients and from colleagues on helpful and enjoyable techniques. Emily works at Riverside Community Care, a local organization providing mental health services.

This program is free and open to anyone 18 or older. Registration is required. Please sign up at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, call the Reference desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

Legal Notice

NORWOOD HOUSING AUTHORITY REQUEST FOR QUOTES FOR PAINTING APARTMENTS. Project – NHA- 2023- Painting

The Norwood Housing Authority invites written quotes from Experienced painting contractors that have been in the business for at least five (5) years in Massachusetts to provide painting services in apartments for the period from 4/01/2023 through 3/31/2024. It is anticipated that the total year contract value will be approximately \$20,000.00

An electronic copy of the RFP may be obtained at: www.norwoodha.org on March 2, 2023 at 11: 00 am.

BIDS are subject to M.G.L. c30B, and minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c149 sec.26 to 27H inclusive.

BIDS must be received before **Thursday**, **March 16**, **2023** at **11:00** A.M. The Norwood Housing Authority will not accept or review bids received after the designated submission deadline.

BIDS should be mailed, or delivered to Norwood Housing Authority, 40 William Shyne Circle, Norwood, Massachusetts 02062 and received no later than the date and time specified above in a sealed envelope marked "Painting bid – 2023- 2024" Site Visit. A site visit of the will be offered on Thursday, March 9, 2023 at 1:00 P.M. The site visit will begin from the NHA's main office at 40 William Shyne Circle, Norwood, MA. 02062.

Questions by email should be directed to **Todd Rego** at <u>Trego@norwoodha.org</u>.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Section 8 Inspection Services

The Norwood Housing Authority, the awarding authority, is seeking proposals (Proposal or Proposals) from qualified consultants (Proposers) to perform inspection services of units in the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Programs. Detailed information by electronic copy of the RFP may be obtained at: www.norwoodha.org under news. The initial term of the Professional Service Contract (Contract) shall be two (2) years. The NHA reserves the right to make multiple awards and to reject any proposals and waive any informality if in the public interest to do so.

Proposal Submission

Proposers responding to this RFP must submit proposals no later than March 16, 2023, 11:00 AM to: Todd Rego, Operations Manager / H.Q.S Inspector, Norwood Housing Authority, 40 William Shyne Circle, Norwood, MA 02062

- Service Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly labeled as such, and must include the Proposer's company name.
- 2. **Fee Proposals** must be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly labeled as such, and must include the Proposer's company name.

Upon receipt proposals will be date stamped by NHA staff. A photocopy of the date stamped envelope will be provided as receipt of submission upon request.

The service proposals and fee proposals must be submitted in separate sealed

Proposals that do not conform to these requirements will be rejected. The NHA shall not accept nor review Proposals received after the designated submission deadline. The NHA, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to re-designate the submission deadline upon reasonable notice to all RFP recipients. The NHA reserves the right to reject any and all proposals if it determines it to be in the best interest of the NHA to do so.

Inquiries, Letters of Intent, and Modifications

Inquiries regarding this RFP or requests for clarification must be submitted, via email, no later than March 9, 2023, 11:00 AM to Todd Rego at trego@norwoodha.org.

Proposers considering responding to the RFP must submit a **Letter of Intent**, via email, no later than **March 9, 2023, 11: 00 AM to Todd Rego** at trego@norwoodha.org.

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FINAL REGISTRATION DEADLINES TO VOTE

The Board of Registrars wishes to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that the final registration date has been set for the April 3, 2023 Annual Town Election.

The deadline to Register to Vote for the upcoming Annual Town Election is 5:00 PM FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023. This is the final Voter Registration session before the Annual Town Election.

Daily registration of voters will be conducted at the Town Clerk's office, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 P.M.

A mail-in registration form is now available at Norwood Morrill Memorial Library and the Norwood Post Office.

You may also register to vote online at sec.state.ma.us

Qualifications to register to vote are that the applicants must be 18 years old on or before election day and must either be born in the United States or be a Naturalized Citizen.

TICKETS FOR DANCING WITH THE NORWOOD STARS AVAILABLE!

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation is pleased to announce that tickets for the 2023 Dancing with the Norwood Stars are now available. This year's event will be held on Friday, April 7th beginning at 7PM at the Tiffany Ballroom at the Sheraton Four Points Norwood. Tickets are \$30 each and benefit the Circle of Hope Foundation.

Competing this year to take home the coveted Disco Ball Trophy are: Matt Lane, Abigail Tierney, Isaac Romero, Carlei McDermott and Steve Schatvet. To purchase your tickets please call 781.762.3549.

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation is a non-profit organization established to support Norwood residents who need assistance due to a catastrophic

medical occurrence. Since its founding in 1998 the Foundation has provided over \$1,000,000 to Norwood residents in need of assistance. The Foundation was established in 1998 in memory of Michelle Kennedy, a young Norwood resident, who suffered with leukemia. During Michelle's battle the entire Norwood community, many of whom did not know Michelle, joined together and it is in that spirit that the Circle of Hope Foundation continues.

MARCH MONTHLY BALLROOM DANCE

The Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging will be sponsoring their monthly Ballroom Dance, on Friday, March 17th (St. Patrick's Day) from 7-10 p.m. at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood. Music will be provided by DB Band and the cost is \$12.00 per person for your Ballroom Dancing pleasure. Coffee, tea & desserts are served & there are also door prizes. We look forward to welcoming newcomers.

There is a Facebook page so you can check the status of events offered by the Friends: Friends Of The Norwood Council On Aging | Facebook.

COPS WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!

Officer Justin LaRoche and Det. Sgt. Timothy M. McDonagh will be running the 2023 Boston Marathon for the great charity Cops for Kids with Cancer. This is our second year, we ran last year and raised over \$13,000. This year our goal is just a bit higher at \$15,000. Most of our donations come from co-workers, family, friends but we were very lucky to have big donors like Ernie Boch and Peter Catanese. We plan to have police patches made as well for the public to buy. All funds raised by CFKWC are given to the children and families diagnosed with cancer, generally a \$5,000 check. Several Norwood families have received the benefit of these checks! I know times are tough now with the economy so we are trying all methods of getting our story out to as many people as we can to help this organization and its mission.

UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND OTHER DEMENTIAS

In an effort to continue providing ongoing resources and support to area families affected by memory loss, Bridges® by EPOCH at Westwood is proud to be hosting a four-part educational series, "Learning at the Library: Understanding Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementias."

The two remaining sessions in the series, Bruce and Kuriakose will present a wealth of information on the effects of dementia and how to manage its symptoms, as well as offer helpful tips and guidance for family caregivers. The series is proudly co-sponsored by Cornerstone Caregiving and the Westwood Public Library.

Upcoming sessions will take place from 6:30-8 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of the month through April. The dates and topics include: Effective Communications (March 22), and Panel Discussion: Where Do I Begin? (April 26).

All series sessions will be held at the Westwood Public Library at 660 High Street. RSVPs are required and can be made by calling the library reference desk at 781-320-1045 or by visiting WestwoodLibrary.org.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET

The Norwood Woman's Club will be meeting on Tuesday March 14, at 12:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall. 572 Nichols St, Norwood Ma. Tim Quinn with The Black Velvet Band will help us celebrate St. Patrick's Day. A light lunch will be served. Guests are welcomed. Any questions please call Trina at 781-762-8173. Hope to see you there.

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