



Helen Abdallah Donohue appeared at the State Ethics Commission on Monday, seen here cross-examining Paul Eysie in defense of allegations she acted improperly as a member of the Norwood Board of Selectmen.

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Former Selectman Abdallah Donohue denies ethics violations in court

Matthew MacDonald
Staff Reporter

On Monday, Jan. 27, the State Ethics Commission held an adjudicatory hearing at One Ashburton Place in Boston regarding a confidential complaint filed against former Board of Selectmen (BOS) member Helen Donohue.

The complaint – petitioned by the Ethics Commission’s Enforcement Division – revolves around Donohue’s actions concerning several BOS votes regarding Mina’s Café and Eysie Plaza (1237-1243 Washington St.) where it is located.

The property – owned by Paul Eysie – is in close proximity to an undeveloped lot located at 1223 Washington St. that is owned by the Olga Abdallah Trust. Abdallah is Helen Donohue’s sister, and Donohue’s three adult daughters are the trust’s beneficiaries.

Eysie is also the owner of 1021 Washington St. – site of the former Barry Paper Company – which he redeveloped as six studio units of affordable housing.

The project – located across from Donohue’s residence at 1027 Washington St. – began in 2006 and was completed in 2009, against Donohue’s opposition.

The complaint puts forward, as stated in the order to show cause, that “at least since 2006 and continuing at all relevant times, animosity has existed between Donohue and Eysie.”

The order further contends that – in violation of General Laws chapter 268A – Donohue acted in a way that would cause “a reasonable person” – knowledgeable of her daughters’ financial interest in the lot at 1223 Washington St. as well as her animosity toward Eysie – to conclude that she would be likely to act “unduly favorably toward her daughters and unduly favorably toward Eysie in the performance of her official duties as selectman.”

It also states that – in violation of section 23(b)(3) of 268A – Donohue did not make a public disclosure to dispel the appearance of bias in her official actions.

Specifically, the Enforcement Divi-

sion contends that Donohue’s violations occurred in instances in which she either voted on – or attempted to influence – three Eysie Plaza matters that had gone before the BOS without officially disclosing either her relationship with Eysie or her family’s financial interest in 1223 Washington St.

The first BOS vote – taken on June 14, 2016 – had Donohue as the sole opposition against Mina’s Café’s successful application for a beer and wine license.

The second BOS vote – taken on Sept. 20, 2016 – had Donohue as the sole opposition to Eysie’s successful request that the Board place an article on a Special Town Meeting (STM) warrant to change Eysie Plaza’s zoning from business/residential to business.

Donohue recused herself from the third vote in question – taken on March 28, 2017 – regarding Mina’s Café’s successful request for an entertainment license. However, the order states that she

Donohue Trial

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Facilities Manager Paul Riccardi listed his requests for capital projects in the next fiscal year.

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School Com approves major spending

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The School Committee met last week and voted in favor of several capital improvement recommendations from the School District’s technology, facilities and transportation sectors.

The vote was unanimous, with member Joan Giblin absent. The big ticket items, through the Facilities Department, included door access systems, the replacement of the intercom systems at the elementary schools, and design costs for a new track and field at the high school. The total recommendation was \$620,880.

For Transportation, the School Committee approved \$120,000 and for technology \$584,600.

School Committee

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The Old Parish Preservation Volunteers organization is seeking funds for a master plan to renovate, repair and preserve the old cemetery.

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Fanning updates CPC of plans for Old Parish Cemetery

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Old Parish Preservation Volunteers Coordinator Patricia Fanning stopped by the Norwood Community Preservation Committee (CPC) last week to present her group's proposal for funding for a Master Plan to start rehabilitation and refurbishing the Old Parish.

"So that we can get some ideas about the restoration, preservation and enhancement of the Old Parish Cemetery," she said.

Fanning said the Volunteers have been repairing and maintaining the cemetery and documenting the history of its residents, but she said they want to go to the next level by consulting with a landscape architect to see what an outside professional would suggest to do with the cemetery.

"Especially there's a particu-

lar area in the back of the cemetery that has eroded and we want to see how that can be repaired or stopped from deteriorating further," she said.

Fanning said the funding would only be for the plan, and not for any later work. She said the company being considered, the Halvorson Company, has also worked on the Mount Auburn Cemetery, and the CPC said they were familiar and impressed with the work they've done. Fanning said that on the two-acre site, they have more than 800 people buried in the cemetery.

She said the original estimate from Halvorson is \$25,000 for the plan, and Fanning said they were confident on that number. The idea is to help further clean and restore gravestones and add to the plantings and greenery of the area to make it more pleasurable for residents and visitors.

"It sounds like a beautiful project and I wish you luck with it," said CPC member Toni Eosco.

Fanning said they have used the restoration of the Old Village cemetery in Dedham as a basis for their master plan, basically for what they want to include. The plan for Dedham included repairs and restoration to the headstones and foot stones, restoration of the old iron work, landscaping and the establishment of a perpetual care fund.

"We are seeking improvements that Dedham realized; hardscape repairs and, for example, extensive wrought iron that Dedham rehabbed," she said. "It's a comprehensive plan."

CPC member Joseph Greeley thought the Master Plan will be the easy phase of the project, and the purchasing and procurement of labor and materials for the actual work will get more complicated.

"I think the concern of this

initial phase, the landscape architect, it's not that it's not important, it's a little less stringent than those next phases, which would include prevailing wages, materials, etc.," he said. "Lee Leach and (Assistant Town Manager) Bernie Cooper ran into this with the Carillon project."

Greeley said the limited availability of quality materials and workers for this project made the choices of who is able to actually do this work narrow, and said they should consider that.

Greeley said they should be looking closely at this project to see what they could learn for any upcoming work at the East Walpole Cemetery, of which the Town bought a portion of at this year's Town Meeting.

"I understand that it's probably an apples and oranges comparison, but if there's anything at all we can learn with what you're about to do and translate that up the street, it would be helpful," he said.

Fanning said they would keep that in mind, but reminded Greeley that the East Walpole Cemetery is about 100 years younger than the Old Parish, which was first installed in the 1800s.

"It's a much smaller area (East Walpole) that is as old as Old Parish," she said. "I think 1827 is the first burial at Old Parish, but there is a small area that has gravestones that have these sorts of problems that would have to be reset, repaired and cleaned, but a good portion of it is really 2th century granite stones and things."

Fanning added they are also working on publishing the history of the cemetery, both online and possibly in print, so residents can see who is buried there and where their stories started, not just where they ended.

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Citing resident comments, Selectmen backtrack on name change

Non binding referendum on "Select Board" to appear on ballot

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met last night and voted unanimously to put a non binding referendum on the upcoming ballot to gauge residents' opinion on changing the name of their body from the Norwood Board of Selectmen to the Norwood Select Board.

The nonbinding referendum gives voters a chance to voice their opinions. Chair Paul Bishop said from that point, the question will be placed in front of Town Meeting for a final vote one way or another. If Town Meeting elects to change the name, then the Norwood Board of Selectmen would henceforth be known as the Norwood Select Board.

The Board revisited the issue back up because of feedback they received from family, friends and residents and because of what they said was a period of deep reflection.

"Most of my friends said, 'don't be a stubborn old crank,'" said Selectman Thomas Maloney. "And I said I'm not old."

The Board discussed the issue at last week's meeting, stemming from an initial conversation in 2017.

Norwood may join about 90 other towns who have officially changed its name from Selectmen to Select Board. The Massachusetts Select Board Association just changed its name recently as well as the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association, a name it had since it started in 1929. Maloney related a story in which he and a friend who works in real estate were discussing the issue, and he said there was an argument he hadn't even considered.

"I had a conversation with one person, a real estate investor, who said, 'you should support this, no matter what you feel about it, you better hope it passes, because of real estate values,'" he said. "She said people who are town shopping like to find themselves in places that have more future than past."

Maloney added that this was not the only response and conversation he and the Board have had on the issue.

"We all received certain communication from people, including phone calls, etc., and there were a few emails, and frankly I would describe them as offensive if they weren't so puerile," he said. "But that's a minority and not a problem because the good Lord invented the delete button."

Selectman Alan Howard said he originally wanted to wait on the issue because both he and Selectman Bill Plasko are not running for reelection.

"My comments last week were that I was never opposed to this but rather I felt that the two

new people who will sit on the Board after the election should have input," he said. "That came back to me from quite a few people who told me to just man up and vote on the issue."

Selectman David Hajjar said while he felt the historic nature of the Board lent itself to keeping the name, he said many of his friends asked him to look at it from the other way round.

"While I truly believe the current name is not and was not meant for men only, I know it was named when only men served as leaders," he said. "If in 2020, the Board was named the Board of Selectwomen, would I find that incorrect? Yes I would."

In other news, both Norwood Police Department Chief William Brooks III and Norwood Fire Chief George Morrice gave their updates for the month.

Brooks started with some good news for the department, in that the hold on three hybrid Ford Explorer SUVs appears to have been lifted. Last May, Town Meeting voted to accept the NPD's proposal for several new hybrid SUVs that had been pursuit rated by the Michigan State Police, which Brooks said is unofficially the national standard. But when the order went out, Norwood found it wasn't the only municipality looking for these vehicles. Town Manager Tony Mazzucco said in a previous meeting that about 7,500 other municipalities were looking for the vehicles and Ford told the Town that there was a backlog and a delay on delivering them.

Brooks said three of those vehicles slated for Norwood have arrived at a local dealership, and will be outfitted by the end of the next month and ready for service in Norwood.

"It will take a few weeks, but within the next month or so we'll have hybrid SUVs on the road," Brooks said.

Brooks also reported that opioid overdoses and overdose deaths are down in the Town. He said in 2019, there were 20 overdoses and two fatalities, while in 2018 it was 31 overdoses and five fatalities.

"So it was a significant drop," he said.

Brooks said that four years ago, that number was at 50 overdoses and five fatalities.

"In the course of about four years, we've gone from 50 overdoses a year to 20 overdoses," he said.

Brooks said they are working with more follow up in the department as well to help addicts receive treatment. He said the Norfolk District Attorney's Office is also taking all opioid data from municipalities in the Norfolk County in order to better co-

ordinate efforts to reduce deaths from opioid addiction.

Morrice related a story from last week where the NFD responded to a call for a serious gas leak on Eisenhower Road. He said a gas leak in the connection to the meter was able to follow the pipes into the house through a part of the foundation. He said the foundation was not all stone and some of it was dirt, which allowed the gas to enter the home and build to a level which he said could have easily exploded. He said NFD personnel deployed fans to air out the house and reduce gas levels, while the gas company capped the line to stop more gas escaping.

"We had a positive outcome on it, which is a good thing," he said.

NORWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION – LEGAL NOTICE
The Norwood Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing under M.G.L. Ch. 131, Sec. 40, The Wetlands Protection Act and Norwood Bylaw XXV, including any amendments thereto on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 8:00 pm. in Room 12, Norwood Town Hall. The Commission is to hear a request for a Notice of Intent from Bohler Engineering of Southborough MA representing John Shalbey / Rojo Co., Inc. for the proposed redevelopment consisting of removal of old USTs, fuel dispensers, product piping and overhead canopies and installation of new gasoline and diesel USTs, dispensers, product piping, overhead canopies, and associated site work. Alterations will occur within previously disturbed areas of the Riverfront Area. Project location: 83 Boston Providence Turnpike, Norwood, MA. Copies of request and plans are available for review by appointment only. Please call Al Goetz at 781-762-0781. Stephen Washburn, Chairperson
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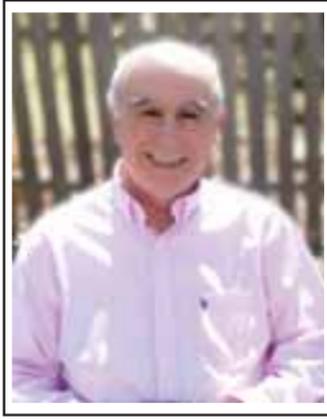
Lottery winners galore

Advertisements for scratch tickets boasting of winners up to \$100,000 used to scream with exclamation points. Now it has become even easier to reach this six-figure plateau: instead of trotting up to the nearest convenience store to plunk down a few dollar bills, merely become a state worker.

The comptroller has recently released information for 2019 stating that some 18,680 workers for the Commonwealth took home at least \$100,000. Except for possible feelings of jealousy on non-state workers' part, there would be nothing disconcerting with the revelation of these figures, if these were actual Lottery ticket winners. But these 18,000 plus people have taken home and cashed these golden paychecks with money from your and my taxes—income, sales, and otherwise.

Undoubtedly a number of these people deserved to be in this lofty income category—lawyers, doctors, CPA's, tenured university professors, computer techies, master trades people—but I wonder if the failure of management to oversee and cutback on useless overtime has contributed to this astronomic rise, growing more than 10% from 2018 when the numbers of such earners reaching this lofty plateau was only 16,940.

Mind you, these are all state workers per se: none of these figures involves workers for various state authorities, a creation of the state where our elected state officials have even less input, except when they want various relatives to work there. Thus the Mass Convention Center Authority, Mass Port Authority, Mass Bay Transportation Authority (the "T"), Mass Higher Education Authority, and other authorities have no employees on this recent revelation, but you can



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be pretty sure that they will have plenty of "Lottery" winners when their salary figures are announced.

Some of the "Lottery" winners even scratched a bonus section: 960 state workers cashed pay checks for more than \$200,00 including 325 out of the 2200 state troopers. The good news is that only 17 state workers took home more than a half a million buckaroos, as overtime spending increased to more than \$300 million, another upward percent from last year.

The "Megabucks" winner was the chancellor at UMass Medical, who pulled in 7 figures while the provost there did likewise. No heavy lifting, no 3 AM phone calls from ailing patients, and no hours of standing to perform delicate surgery for these two lucky ones.

If any aspect of these high salaries elevated by huge amounts of overtime is bothersome, it is that so many managers refuse to cut back on overtime. But what if jobs cannot be performed/finished during regular working hours, assuming that workers are striving to finish them during their regular time/shifts? Hire more workers? I dunno. OK, maybe a tad of overtime.

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Facilities Director for Norwood Public Schools Paul Riccardi went into detail on options the School Committee faces for the track and field. He said more and more holes are appearing in the field, and at a previous meeting he said the track is in such a shape that they may not be allowed to hold official school races on it. He said they are requesting \$60,000 for a design study on the track and field.

"We'll probably get this spring out of the track, we're not sure, it all depends on the officials and whether they think it should have a competitive event on it," he said. "I think at the end of the day it (the problems with the track) was due to the low bid and we got what we paid for."

Riccardi said the field is being repaired two to three times a year and more rips are happening because the fiber is apparently breaking down. He said the design study would encompass both projects, but added there is an opportunity for another investment.

"While we're doing that, does it make sense, and this has always been controversial, to put lights up there?" he asked. "If you're going to replace the track and dig up the field, one would say, if you're ever going to put lights up, this would be the time to do it."

"Having lights at the high school would help get more use out of that field, especially if we are going to change the start times, particularly for fall sports," he said. "Once we turn the clocks back, it's dark by 10

past 4 p.m. If kids aren't getting out of school until 3:30 p.m., that's not much time for practice."

Riccardi added that because of planned obsolescence – the fact that many companies stop offering replacement parts or repair services for older products – they will be replacing all of their card access systems.

"We are looking at replacing all of our card swipe systems throughout the schools," he said. "That's to get into our buildings. We're at end of life with all of these. They're at least 10 years old with us, but they've been around long before that, and companies just aren't making replacement parts because they want to get you to the next and best thing."

He said that will cost \$160,000.

Riccardi said for the next fiscal year, FY20-21, the total request is \$5.04 million. He said the top three items on his list was what the School Committee approved.

Riccardi added that the field replacement would be, at least in his mind, a town wide expense, because if the Coakley Middle School's replacement is approved by the Municipal School Building Authority (MSBA), the plan could be to build it right behind the Coakley. He said that would mean that the field there would not be usable, and they would need to make sure all students are able to use the fields they have, especially at the high school.

"I don't want people to think that \$745,000 is a school ask, it's

a Town ask," he said.

Educational Technology Director Joe Kidd presented his capital requests during the meeting, which included the replacement of smart boards, laptops and wireless access points. The biggest ticket item on his list was for a new phone system for the entire district.

"One of the biggest things we need to do is have a new phone system, district-wide," Kidd said. "When the high school was built, there was a different phone system installed there than in the rest of the district. So we have been living with two separate phone systems, both of which are extremely old now. We want to take this opportunity to unify those phone systems."

Kidd said they would be working with Norwood Light and Broadband to see if there is any point where they could join forces with the Norwood Light Department, which is preparing to do a similar job of replacing phone systems in Town Buildings.

"It doesn't have to be that way, but it might help with redundancies and knowledge of that nature," he said. "We'll be working over the summer with them. We have gotten a few quotes as well."

Kidd said the work would be done over the course of the upcoming summer, and he said depending on who the vendor is, he is hoping that the programming and installation of the system would be completed before the start of the next school year.

Kidd said the total for the request is \$584,600.

December Citizens of the Month



Grade 8: *Janiah Harnett, Ryley Sullivan Alice Abdallah, Gerald Frey*

Grade 7: *Johan Cruz Velazquez, Brian Dearborn, Alivia DiMarzio*

Grade 6: *Alex Pallang, Jane Wyman, Mariya Joji*

Congratulations to the December winners of Dr. Philip O. Coakley Middle School's Citizen of the Month. Citizens of the Month exemplify the school's mission statement and are chosen by teachers and staff. To celebrate their accomplishments, an end of the year breakfast celebration will be held for students and their families.

Norwood drives toward a AAA bond rating

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

The Finance Commission (FINCOM) met Thurs. Jan. 23 to discuss Norwood's financial trends, which showed that the Town is positioning itself to raise its bond rating from AA to AAA, the highest rating available.

A municipality's bond rating shows how attractive a community is for investors. It also impacts interest rates that the Town would pay over time, as the increased rate would be decreased.

For example, a debt service cost comparison showed a difference of \$1,625,000 in costs to the Town at 3.75 percent versus 4 percent on a \$76,000,000 bond.

Members discussed moves the Town has been making to strengthen its financial base.

"One of the things that we've been working on, and we've been harping on for years, is building up the stabilization fund," Alan Slater said of the Town's financial policy. "If we could be consistent for the next two, three, four years, showing an increase in those balances, we'll take our chances and see what they say."

Slater noted that the early

returns on the cherry sheets were promising for Norwood.

Also, chair Anne Marie Haley announced that the state Department of Revenue (DOR) certified that Norwood's amount of available funds, or "free cash," as of July 1, 2019 is \$3,414,849. Norwood also received \$91,890 in CPA funds.

Slater said it is important to note that the charges that the Town incurred were down.

"We're going to realize that entire gain, which generally you don't see," he said, adding that free cash should not be put into recurring budget items.

Judith Langone noted that the submission of documentation was two months late. Haley said this was due to the conversion to MUNIS software and was expected. Also, the state prioritized certification for towns with fall Town Meetings.

Langone also stressed that Norwood is one of the few towns that has an elected, rather than an appointed, Finance Commission.

"We actually report to the voters," she said. "I think that

drives the difference."

Haley called it "the independence theory."

Bob Donnelly said in determining a bond rating, both Moody's and Standard & Poor's, is looking for a number of financial trends.

"What they're looking for in addition is a history of surpluses and deficits and structural balances and reoccurring deficits and expenditures," he said. "I think we have tackled that issue quite effectively over the last year with changes in free cash and by reducing our

dependence on one-time funding sources."

"With all the new money coming in from the state, and with some grants and the override, we're in really good shape," Langone said. "The framework that we have around the five-year plan is very doable now. Frankly, the hardest job is

not spending it just for the sake of spending it."

Having the department budget increases capped at three percent aids in supporting that framework, Donnelly added.

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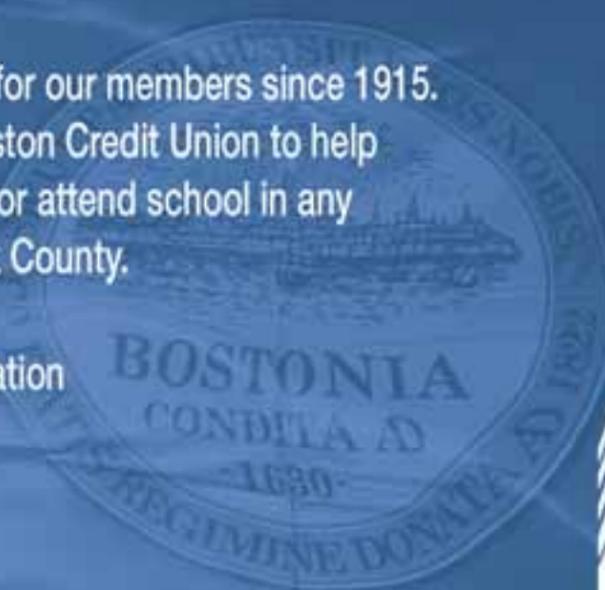
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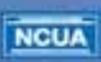
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Alex Berenson, center, joins Norwood officials for his talk on the perhaps underreported side effects of cannabis.

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Kids and marijuana

Former New York Times reporter Alex Berenson, an award-winning author who most recently published the book “Tell Your Children” – based on researching the science around cannabis and mental illness – hosted an intimate gathering at Norwood High School on Thursday.

A crowd of about 75, primarily consisting of residents and substance-use prevention and mental-health professionals, engaged with Berenson for two hours on a topic in which new information continues to emerge and reshape the evolving discussion.

Berenson presented the history and research around marijuana use, stressing the importance of science over public perception and industry messages.

“You can’t just deny the science when it doesn’t agree with your ideology,” said Berenson, who while working for the New York Times from 1999-2010 covered the drug industry and Hurricane Katrina, among other things, while serving two stints as a correspondent in Iraq.

Berenson, who grew up in Englewood, N.J. and graduated from Yale University in 1994 with degrees in history and economics, has written 12 John Wells novels and two non-fiction books. His debut novel, “The Faithful Spy”, won the Edgar Award from the Mystery Writers of America for Best First Novel.

Berenson’s presence was arranged by the Norwood Public Health Department and Impact Norwood, with a goal of enhancing the community’s education and understanding on the topic.

“We are trying to create a dialogue around marijuana use. This is a public health issue, and we should look closely at the research and understand the risks like any substance or drug,” said Sigalle Reiss, Norwood Public Health Director.



The Finance Commission believes the Town is in a good situation now after the override and the elimination of its structural budget deficit to attain a Triple A Bond Rating, which will lead to more credit and more financial wiggle room in future budgets.

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of Understanding (MOU), Donnelley said that there was a commitment to put \$250,000 into the OPEB pension and retirement fund annually.

The Light Department has its own stabilization fund, which FINCOM will discuss with Norwood Light when it is time to prepare the budget requests.

FINCOM also voted unanimously to approve a change to the language in the debt management policy, after Haley that said she had caught an error.

“I reviewed a tape of the three boards, and I found that we made an error in our transcription,” Haley said.

She worked to rewrite the debt policy with Selectmen Chairman Paul Bishop and School Committee Chair Teresa Stewart. The language

referenced the Light Department’s non-utility operating budget, rather than its current non-utility revenue.

The language that had been approved previously was, “The Town will have a maximum debt limit equal to 5% of the non-utility operating budget.” After the meeting between Haley, Bishop and Stewart, the language was changed to the following:

“The Town will maintain annual fund debt service levels at a target range of approximately 5% of current non-utility revenues, except for debt excluded tax revenues. Debt service levels shall include annual debt service requirements and short term financing costs of capital expenditures.”

The FINCOM voted to unanimously approve the change, which was taken from

the Town’s Financial Policies of Oct. 2008 as suggested at the April 2019 FINCOM meeting. The School Committee voted to approve the language the night before at its meeting. The Board of Selectmen will vote on it at its meeting on Tuesday.

On another topic, Haley said she talked to the School Department about forming a chart of all the grants available with details. Information would include factors such as the awardee, the amount, the number of employees, number of dollars received, involvement of matching funds, and whether they were automatically renewable grants.

FINCOM decided to meet with the School Committee on Feb. 13. They traditionally meet around Valentine’s Day.

Also, Langone announced that she will be running for reelection to the FINCOM. The election is on Mon., Apr. 6.

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DEATHS

AHEARN

Mary Teresa (Sheehan) of Norwood, died on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at the age of 92. Born on March 1, 1927 in Somerville, MA, she was the daughter of the late Timothy & Kathleen (Daly) Sheehan. Loving wife of the late Francis X. Ahearn. Beloved mother of Kathleen Cooper & her husband Chip of Portland, ME, Timothy Ahearn & his wife Pamela of Norfolk, Ellen Norton of Norwood and Thomas Ahearn of Norwood. Proud Grammy of Tim, MaryPat, Meg, Krista, Kara, DJ, Nicholas, Caroline, Maeve, and Seamus. Devoted sister of William Sheehan, Francis Sheehan, Kathleen Canty, Paul Sheehan, and the late Margaret Joyce. Special Aunt. Wonderful friend to many. Funeral from the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St., NORWOOD. Interment in Highland Cemetery in Norwood. Donations in Mary's memory may be made to the Norwood Food Pantry or Pine Street Inn. www.gilloolyfuneralhome.com

BIELSKI

Lillian C. (Jankowski) of Norwood, formerly of Needham, passed away on January 22, 2020 at the age of 94. Beloved wife of late Matthew Bielski. Devoted mother of the late Nancy Bielski. Cousin of Jeannette P. Shilo of Norwood. Godmother of Paul Shilo of Millis and Jerry Pesta of Millis. Sister of the late Agnes J. Gradzewicz and Helen J. Balen. Daughter of the late Konstanty and Mary (Stravinski) Jankowski. Dear friend of Joan and Heinz Baum of

Canton and Helen Donohue of Norwood. The family would like to thank all the doctors and nurses at the Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in Needham and Cancer Center. Also the family would like to thank all her caregivers that cared for her over the past year. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., NORWOOD, MA. Burial at Highland Cemetery Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 www.dana-farber.org Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home. kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com. Family Owned and Operated, 781-762-0482.

DeCOSTA



RITAL. (Phaneuf) of Norwood passed away on January 26, 2020 at the age of 93. Beloved wife of the late David V. DeCosta Sr. (Retired Norwood Police Officer). Devoted mother of David V. DeCosta Jr. and his longtime partner Carla

Story-Divoll of Sutton, Steven P. DeCosta and his wife Joan of Norwood and Gail A. Geary and her husband George of Norwood. Cherished grandmother of Kelli DeCosta, Daniel Geary, Casey Geary, David T. DeCosta, Samantha Conley, Kimberly Proia and Michael DeCosta. Also survived by 6 great grandchildren, Neive, Abigail, Ellie, Devyn, Christopher, and MacKenzie. Lifelong friend of Shirley Noel of Raymond, NH. Daughter of the late Wilfrid H. and Annie B. (Bacigalupo) Phaneuf. Rita was a member of the Wacky Women's Wanderers of Norwood. She was also a member of the Westwood Senior Center and Art Club. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. Burial at Highland Cemetery Norwood. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 www.dana-farber.org

FRASER

HARRY A. of Norwood passed away on January 26, 2020 at the age of 92. Beloved husband of the late Laura M. (Boch) Fraser. Devoted father of Kathy L. Fraser-Hurley of Norwood, Thomas F. Fraser and his wife Cathy of ME, Evelyn A. Caron and her late Husband Stephen C. of Attleboro, Lisa D. Rose and her husband Harry of Wrentham and Andrew P. Fraser and his partner Susan Lynch of Norwood. Brother of Laurie Montero of Nova Scotia, Canada and the late Doris Proulx. Cherished grandfather of 11 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Son of the late Francis A. and Evelyn (Maclean-Macleod) Fraser. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Harry was a member of

the Norwood Art Association and the Walpole Writers Club. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, January 30, 2020 from 3pm-6pm at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA 02062. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the Morrill Memorial Library 33 Walpole Street Norwood, MA 02062.

GRANSKIE



Mary P. (O'Malley) of Norwood, passed away on January 24, 2020, at the age of 88. Devoted mother of Thomas H. Granskie of Boston, Linda M. Zogalis and her husband Joseph of Mansfield, James M. Granskie and his fiancée Wendy Kramer of Needham and the late Paul Granskie. Loving sister of Richard O'Malley and his wife Faith of Norwood. Cherished grandmother of Lisa, Christine and Jamie. Aunt of David O'Malley of Norwood. Daughter of the late Thomas and Bridget (Keran) O'Malley. Mary was a former member of the St. Timothy's Church Choir in Norwood. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Wash-

ington St., NORWOOD. Burial at Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home. kraw-kornackfuneralhome.com Family Owned and Operated 781-762-0482.

HAGGERTY

FRANCES M. (Riles) of Norwood passed away on January 27, 2020 at the age of 89. Beloved wife of the late Gerald J. Haggerty. Devoted mother of John J. Haggerty of Norwood and Timothy P. Haggerty and his wife Valerie of Millville. Cherished grandmother of Patrick Haggerty and Montana Haggerty. Sister of Margaret Carol Mackstroph of SC and many other late brothers and sisters. Daughter of the late Perry M. and Mary E. (Hicks) Riles. Frances was a life member of the Dighton Yacht Club and a former member of the Ladies Sodality at St. Catherine of Siena Church. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood Friday, January 31, 2020 at 9:00am followed by a funeral mass at 11am at St. Catherine of Siena Church Norwood. Visiting hours will be held Friday morning only from 9:00am-10:30am. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the Franciscan Children's Hospital 30 Warren Street Brighton, MA 02135 www.franciscanchildrens.org

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AGING WITH DIGNITY, AN INFORMATIONAL EVENING

Are you and your family ready to start having conversations about how you'll manage the aging process? Join the Morrill Memorial Library on Wednesday, February 5 at 6:30 pm for Aging with Dignity, a seven-part video series produced by the Westwood Media Center and the Neponset River Regional Chamber Elder Care Alliance. In this series of videos, follow the story of a family dealing with hard and important decisions that come with the aging process. The video will be followed by the opportunity to ask questions of panelists from the Elder Care Alliance of the Neponset River Regional Chamber. Light refreshments will be offered and informational resources will be provided by the panel of professionals. Please register by visiting the library's online events page, norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, by calling the library at 781-769-0200 x110, or by visiting the Reference or Information Desk.

STRETCH & TONE TUESDAYS

Why stand still when you can walk in place, tap your feet, and do some simple stretches to achieve a full-body workout? Fitness instructor Eileen Smith will return to the Morrill Memorial Library on four consecutive Tuesdays in February, from 12:15-1:00 p.m. to lead a series of fun fitness classes set to energizing music. These weekly classes will provide an overall workout that includes cardio, stretching, and strengthening. All are welcome as long as you can attend at least three of the four sessions to be held on February 4, 11, 18, and 25. To sign up for the series, funded by the Friends of the Library, please go to norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, call 781-769-0200 x110, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk. Class size is limited to 15.

TRAIL OF TWO CITIES

Let's get walking and explore the great outdoors in our two towns! Join us for this introduction to the Walpole and Norwood Trails Committees on Thurs-

day, February 6 at 6:30 pm at the Morrill Memorial Library. These groups not only work on walking trails in their own towns, but have started joint projects. Learn what trails have been discovered, which ones are being created, and how suburban trail areas contribute to our well-being and the health of our environment. From trails for the tougher hiker, to the easy walker, and to those with little kids, there's a trail for everybody! There will be opportunity for questions, suggestions, and discussion. To sign up for this program sponsored by Progress Norwood and TogetherYes, please visit our online events calendar at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, call 781-769-0200 x110, or visit the library's Reference or Information desk.

FEBRUARY FILM FEST

Snow is falling and movies are calling! Join us for a three-part February Film Fest at the Morrill Memorial Library in which we'll show several highly anticipated movies from the last year. In honor of Black History Month, we'll kick off the series on Monday, February 10, with "Harriet," rated PG-13 with a run time of just over 2 hours. This film depicts the true story of Harriet Tubman, an American hero who led hundreds of slaves to freedom on the Underground Railroad. Then on Thursday, February 13, we'll show the 2 hour PG-rated film, "Downton Abbey," which continues the dramatic story from the hit television series of the same name. Finally on Tuesday, February 25, we will show the star-studded PG-13, 2 hour film "The Public," a moving story about a Cincinnati librarian who takes a stand to shelter homeless patrons on a fatally cold night. All of these films will be shown at 6:30 pm in the library's second floor Simoni Room, and popcorn will be served. To sign up, please visit the library's online events calendar at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, call 781-769-0200 x110, or visit the Reference or Information desk.

THE WAR OF 1812: DOLLEY TELLS ALL

Janet Parnes, founder of Historical Portrayals by Lady J, will return to the Morrill Memorial Library on Wednesday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m. to appear as Dolley Madison in her original dramatic production, "The War of 1812: Dolley Tells All." While the men thought she was embroidering, First Lady Mrs. Madison was registering every word she overheard as her husband and his advisers discussed war-related strategies, consequences, and predictions. Dressed in period costume, Dolley will address topics that include the United States' lack of preparedness to battle the British Empire, the nicknaming of the USS Constitution "Old Ironsides," the writing of our national anthem, the burning of Washington, as well as triumphs and mishaps of what has been labelled America's Forgotten War. To sign up for this entertaining and historically accurate program, funded by the Friends of the Library, visit our events page at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, call 781-769-0200 x110, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk.



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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.

Q) Dear Doctor: It seems the front bumpers on new cars seem to get lower every year. Because of this, when I park it is very often difficult to judge where the bumper is in relation to the concrete parking blocks. I've had damage to my new 2019 Honda Accord because of the lower front bumper fascia striking the concrete pavements. I'm now parking further away -- and have noticed many other cars doing the same.

Is this a problem you have noticed increasing in recent years? It is an expensive repair cost for something I would think car manufacturers should design to prevent. —Claire

A) You are correct the front plastic bumper and lower rubber deflector do sit low on many vehicles. The design is to be more aero efficient. You may not have noticed the under carriage also has a plastic covering under the engine and drive axles. I have repaired my share of these parts. A small crack in the lower section usually does not mean a new replacement bumper.

Q) I have a 2004 Jeep Compass 2.4 Limited with 2WD and a manual transmission. I've been told there is problem with the module in the engine compartment that sets off display warning lights, such as ABS, anti-sway, etc. I've been able to experiment on the highway when safe with coasting while cutting off the ignition and then restarting at highway speed, which sometimes turns off indicator lights for a time. I'm told the new module is expensive. Any advice? —Sandi

A) You could be on the right step. The module and/or fuse box under the hood could be the culprit. Corrosion and poor connections will also play a role. A scan of the body control module would be a good place to start. I have replaced my share of both on Jeeps over the years. A replacement module may require reprogramming. I would bring the car to the shop and make sure they subscribe to Identifix and Alldata. With the research and wire diagrams, the technician will be able to get to the problem area.

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

The Record Book

SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY REGISTRATION

The Board of Registrars wishes to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that a special registration session has been set for the March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary Election. An evening special registration session will be held at the Municipal Building, Room 32 on Wednesday, February 12, 2020 from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. This is the FINAL REGISTRATION SESSION prior to the Presidential Primary 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 on-line 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.

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THE WALPOLE FOOTLIGHTERS ANNOUNCE PERFORMANCES OF "OTHER DESERT CITIES"

Performances of Other Desert Cities will be given at the Walpole Footlighters Playhouse at 2 Scout Road in East Walpole. Evening performances will be given on February 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 and 22 at 8:00 PM. There will also be matinee performances on February 16 and 23 at 2:00 PM. Concessions will include wine and beer at Friday evening perfor-

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mances. Tickets are \$20 and all seats are reserved. Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. To purchase tickets, call the Box Office at 508-668-8446 or purchase online at www.footlighters.com. This production is sponsored in part by the Walpole Cultural Council, a local agency, which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

FOVA LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Friends of Visual Arts Norwood (FOVA) invites potential volunteers to attend its next meeting on Tuesday, February 4 in the Art Room at the Coakley Middle School at 6:30 p.m. FOVA is dedicated to assisting the Norwood Public Schools' arts programs. Please visit fovanorwood.org to learn more.

INCREASING PEER CRUELTY AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT

Wednesday, February 26, at the Savage Educational Center - Room 219, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, from 6:30 - 8:30 PM. In this age of increasing narcissism and entitlement, we have witnessed an increase in peer cruelty and a decrease of moral and emotional intelligence. This session examines peer cruelty, from the pattern of proactive aggression in our youngest children to relational aggression and cyberbullying in our middle schoolers. Proven approaches for addressing this continuum of causing intentional harm will be the focus. This workshop is for families with children from toddler to early elementary years. To register contact Beverly Boudreau, Norwood Public Schools, CFCE Office at 781-440-5983 or e-mail bboudreau@norwood.k12.ma.us When registering please provide your name, e-mail address and phone number.

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP TO MEET

The South Norfolk Mental Illness Family and Friends Support Group will hold its monthly meeting in the Willett Conference Room in the Lorusso Building at Norwood Hospital (800 Washington St., Norwood, MA) from 7-9 pm on Thursday, February 6. Note: this is the conference room beyond the Cafeteria.

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

We welcome all families in the South Norfolk Area who are dealing with mental illness and their

loved ones. In case of inclement weather, we will align with the Norwood schools. If they close, the meeting will be cancelled. For further information call Ray at 508-668-2941.

CONCERTS ON THE COMMON PRESENTS 2020 WINTER CONCERT SERIES

The Town of Norwood Concerts on the Common Committee is pleased to announce our 2020 Winter Concert Series. This year there will be four concerts each Sunday afternoon beginning on Sunday, January 26th and ending on Sunday February 16th.

Dan Gabel and the Abletones perform on February 2nd. On February 9th is the Roy Scott Big Band, followed by the Tom Nutile Big Band and February 16th. All concerts are free and open to the public. A free raffle is held at each concert.

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All performances are 2 - 4 pm

at the Norwood High School. For more information please call the Norwood Town Hall at 781.762.1240 or visit <http://www.norwoodma.gov/>.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS TO CELEBRATE 100 YEARS

The League of Women Voters Norwood and the Norwood Historical Society are proud to partner with an exciting presentation. Come celebrate the 100th birthday of the League of Women Voters with tea, cakes and an author presentation. We welcome WGBH CMO and author Tina Cassidy to help us celebrate 100 years of women's advocacy and activism with a discussion of Mr. President, How Long Must We Wait? Alice Paul, Woodrow Wilson and the Fight for the Right to Vote.

This event will take place Wednesday, February 12, at 7:00 pm in the Great Hall of the Fred Holland Day House, 93 Day Street, Norwood MA. Admission is free; donations to the Historical Society and the League of Women Voters Norwood are accepted and welcomed. Ms. Cassidy will have her book for sale at the event as well. Please RSVP to lwnorwoodma@gmail.com to confirm attendance for refreshment and seating planning purposes."

DOG LICENSES NOW AVAILABLE

The Town Clerk's Office would like to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that the 2020 Dog Licenses are now available. All dogs three months old or over must be licensed. Licenses are issued on a calendar basis, January 1st through December 31st. Fees are \$20 for both Male and Female dogs, \$15 for Spayed Female and Neutered Male. Certificate showing the dog was spayed or neutered must be shown. Rabies Certificate must also be shown. The Town Clerk's office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

NOMINATION PAPERS AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP

The Town Clerk's Office wishes to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that nomination papers for the Annual Town Election to be held on Monday, April 6, 2020 are available in the Town Clerk's Office. Requirements for filing nomination papers: Major offices need 50 signatures of qualified voters. Anyone wishing to run for Town Meeting Member who is not a candidate for re-election needs to obtain 10 signatures of qualified voters in their district. The nomination papers must be submitted to the Town Clerk's office by Tuesday, February 18, 2020 by 5:00 PM.

PRESCOTT SCHOOL CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS

The Prescott School was recently designated a 2019 Blue Ribbon School by the US Department of Education. On Friday January 31st from 3:30pm-5pm, the Prescott staff will be hosting an open house to celebrate this achievement as well as the school's 60th birth-

day! The afternoon will consist of tours of the building, student demonstrations and a unique view of the past 60 years. We are particularly interested in having alumni and past staff come and see the exciting things that are happening at the Prescott and reflect back on 60 years of success! Please give us a call at 781-762-6497 or email Principal Bryan Riley at briley@norwood.k12.ma.us with any questions.

LITTLE MUSTANGS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Norwood Public Schools is registering NOW for the School Year 2020-2021, 3 and 4 year old program. Applications available at the preschool office located at The James R. Savage Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood or call 781-440-5802 x3600.

Novena to St. Jude

Oh Holy St. Jude Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near Kinsman of Jesus Christ faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and three Glorias. Publication must be promised. St. Jude pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen. *This must be said for nine consecutive days. This Novena has never been known to fail.*

—J.R.G.



Thank You Novenas

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Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!)

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you. *Grateful thanks. —K.B.*

St. Jude's Novena

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 9th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude. My Prayers were answered. *In gratitude for helping me. —J.H.*

Miracle Prayer

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. *Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.*

—D.J.

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Monday, January 20

1109 Radio - Be On The Lookout Services Rendered Location: [FRN] BOLO for well being check on MA PC 8CJ415, maybe in train station lot, also may have her dog in the car, missing adult for 2 days. N662, N677, N666 checked all 3 MBTA stations and all hotels-not there.

1109 Radio - Be On The Lookout Services Rendered Location: [Wap] BOLO for well being check on either MA PC 773WB3 or MA PC 5PB118, since 0400 Hrs, cell call to State Police, call had indications that she might be a victim of domestic violence.

1127 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Donna's Styles To Dye For - Rockhill St Party in lobby reports neighbor shines spotlight on her home and sounds an air horn when she brings dog outside and it barks. N663 spoke to all parties, told neighbor to stop.

1234 911 - Civil Dispute Services Rendered Location/Address: Stash's Pizza - Dean St Report disgruntled employee over schedule not being ready but then during call caller stated he left. N662 confirmed he left.

1515 Cellular - Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Hillside Ave Resident corralled a dog. N.A.C.O. Substitute Officer to handle.

Tuesday, January 21

0855 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Information received that a patient at hospital may have stolen hospital I-pad. Also see: Call#: 20-1587, Report#: 20-25-AR.

1031 Phone - Drug Law Violation *Report Filed Location/Address: Norwood High School - Nichols St SRO Murphy will file report.

1435 Phone - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Information that patient we wanted to talk to is being released. As a result, N450, with N408 assisting, places subject under arrest and then both officers in N662 transport him to station. Falmouth PD notified-they do not want to talk to prisoner. Also see: Call# 20-1560, Report#: 20-87-OF. Refer To Arrest: 20-25-AR Arrest: Driscoll, Jeffrey J Address: Homeless Homeless, Ma Age: 32 Charges: Warrant Arrest Larceny From Building

1716 911 - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Fales Ave Caller reports someone walked up her front stairs.

2113 Phone - Dog Bite Services Rendered Location/Address: Railroad Ave Emergency room nurse reports a female was bit by a dog, N678 spoke to that party. NACO was notified.

Wednesday, January 22

0248 Initiated - Susp Person Spoken To Location/Address: Morrill Rd + Bond St N668 reports male party dressed in black riding a bike. Party checks out and was on his way home to Norwest.

1158 Phone - Susp Person Gone On Arrival Location/Address: Winslow Ave Female caller reports an unfamiliar male standing on the sidewalk.

1212 Radio - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Exterior Designs Landscape Co. - Lane Dr BCI places three subjects under arrest. Refer To Arrest: 20-26-AR Arrest: Disangro, Bryan E Address: 169 Lane Dr Norwood, Ma Age: 39 Charges: Drug, Possess Class B Credit Card, Receive Stolen C266 \$37b(B) Refer To Arrest: 20-27-Ar Arrest: Allan, Robert D Address: 169 Lane Dr Norwood, Ma Age: 39 Charges: Drug, Possess Class B Drug, Possess Class B Drug, Possess Class E Refer To Arrest: 20-28-Ar Arrest: Bonomo-Reale, Mary Address: 169 Lane Dr Norwood, Ma Age: 44 Charges: Drug, Possess Class B

1304 Phone - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: A&J Automotive/ Also Atlantic Gas Station - Washington St Blond female urinated against the side of building and left in a Silver Nissan Marano South on Washington Street .BOLO S District. Officers spoke with the store owner and the video there was not helpful and they are satisfied.

1813 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Davis Ave Caller reports she would like a check on her sister that lives at this residence, she is concerned about some statements she made recently. Officers report she is in good spirits and will call her sister.

2111 911 - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Liberty Ln Caller would like a check on his mother, she fell a few days ago and wants to make sure she is ok. N662 spoke to that party and all checks out ok.

2259 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Philbrick St Caller would like her 21 year old son removed from the residence. Upon arrival N666 reports he was already gone.

Thursday, January 23

0823 Other - Well Being Chk Could Not Locate Location/Address: Adams St Units conduct a well being check on behalf of SRO Mahoney. Subject was not home, units will return.

Police Logs

1130 Initiated - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Edgehill Rd Female seeking advice on a possible HPO in relation to a past animal complaint and ongoing neighbor issues.

Friday, January 24

1036 Initiated - Warrant Service *Arrest(S)Made Location: Providence, Ri District Court As the result of an extraditable warrant, Lincoln, RI police places subject under arrest. Upon court hearing, subject waves his right as fugitive from justice and N450 places him under arrest with the assistance of a Massachusetts State Trooper and transport him here in State Police unmarked unit. N666 assists in booking. Refer To Arrest: 20-29-AR Arrest: Catalano, Joseph Address: 933 Main St Warren, Ri Age: 55 Charges: Warrant Arrest

1452 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: All State Painting (K.C.N. Reality) - Day St Larceny from a past employee.

1607 Phone - Larceny *Report Filed Location/Address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Security reports employee stealing and vandalizing property.

1843 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Brookview Cir Caller requesting check of friend she is unable to get in touch with. Officers made contact, he is fine and will contact her.

2241 Phone - Susp Activity *Complaint/Summons Location/Address: Hoyle St Regarding 20-1916. Caller reports moped leaning on his truck and male party hiding in bushes. Male party took the moped and left the area. Officers located him and a licensed driver picked him up.

2340 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Casey St + Fulton St Caller reports 16 year old refusing to go home. Daughter reunited with her Mom. Matter resolved.

Saturday, January 25

0645 Phone - Susp Vehicle Spoken To Location/Address: E Cross St + Neponset St RI. REG# DP470. Concerned caller states vehicle has been idling by fence next to Gulf Station and has now shut its lights off. N666 responded and spoke to driver who was an Uber driver waiting for his customer. All in order.

0803 Cellular - Parking Violation Services Rendered Location/Address: Rama Wine & Spirits - Wash-

ington St Report MA PC 8EX566 parked for 2 days in the 10 Minute limit spot. Call to owner-he was at doctor and then subsequently hospitalized. Caller notified.

1330 Walk-In - Phone Harassment Spoken To Location/Address: Engamore Ln Report text messages asking resident out. N666 reports they are coming from a disposable phone, resident will recall police if calls continue.

Sunday, January 26

0017 911 - Assist Other Agency Spoken To Location/Address: Norwood Healthcare - Washington St Patient complaining he is not getting medical attention from the staff when he rings the buzzer and is causing a disturbance. Officers responded and spoke to patient and staff. Matter resolved.

0210 Initiated - Susp Vehicle Spoken To Location/Address: Broadway Used Auto Sales Inc. - Broadway Railroad worker stopped to use his phone. Party checked out, no action required.

0945 Phone - Animal Complaint NACO/WACO notified Location/Address: Wood Dr Report coyote with injured leg ran through yard and into wooded area behind #40. N.A.C.O. Substitute Officer notified.

1346 Phone - Mischief (Kids) Services Rendered Location/Address: Cleveland School (Acct# 1381d) - George Willet Pkwy Kids banging on the sheds out back and may have gained access. Group left prior to arrival. No damage or access gained.

1557 Phone - Susp Activity Services Rendered Location/Address: Casey St SP male at the door at 1:30 asking about a deck permit. Orange vest, W/M, nothing further. Officer will check the area tonight.

1618 911 - Assaults *Report Filed Location/Address: Dean St Report of juveniles smoking marijuana. N663 reports an assault occurred as well.

1759 Phone - Assist Citizen *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Mobil Gas - Wash./Rr Av - Washington St Employee reports a female party crying in the bathroom and will not open the door. As a result N663 returns to the station with one under arrest. MA PC 8AC132 was towed by Center Auto Body. Refer To Arrest: 20-32-AR Arrest: White, Kimberly M Address: 55 Anne Rd Norwood, Ma Age: 35 Charges: Drug, Possess Class A

1904 Phone - Assist Citizen Civil Matter Location/Address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Patient expressing concerns about discharge, language barrier. N666 states he was upset about having to do chores. Advised.

Donohue Trial

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did not withdraw her Feb. 21, 2017 letter, in which it contends she requested a denial of the license (Donohue challenged this during the hearing, stating that her letter had requested the vote's delay pending the advice of Town Council).

At Monday's hearing, Donohue represented herself before the hearing's presiding officer, Ethics Commissioner R. Marc Kantrowitz, while Assistant Enforcement Counsel Tracy Morong – representing the petitioner – presented the Enforcement Division's case.

After Kantrowitz had opened the proceedings and each side had made its opening statement, the first witness – Paul Eysie – was called. He recounted his redevelopment of the Barry Paper Company building in relation to the complaint.

In addition to investing his own money, Eysie also required an \$835,000 federal grant in order to complete the project. However, he testified that Donohue put his development in jeopardy when she threatened to appeal the Zoning Board's approval of it to Superior Court unless he agreed to a list of conditions that he thought were unfair.

Nonetheless, Eysie agreed to them at the suggestion of Town Planner Steve Costello (deceased), with whom he had been working closely to obtain the grant and who advised that – if Donohue were to follow through on her appeal – the \$835,000 would be lost.

Eysie put forward that – because of this development – he has not, since that time, been treated fairly in his dealings with the Selectmen. “I feel – and this is not just my opinion – the colleagues on her Board, people in the community, everybody can see...”

“Objection.” Donohue interjected as

Kantrowitz overruled her.

“Everybody can see as clear as day.” Eysie continued. “It's obvious and evident.”

“What's obvious and evident?” Kantrowitz asked.

“That I have been treated unfairly by Mrs. Donohue when I go before that Board, and the record – if you go to the minutes and you go to the decisions – it will substantiate itself.”

Kantrowitz responded. “So what you're saying is that everybody in the community knows the hostility that she had toward you?”

“Yes.” Eysie answered.

Donohue's cross examination of Eysie, while civil, at times became testy and emotional, veering from interrogatory to testimonial, as she – at several points – used Eysie's responses to explain decisions that she had made that had become pertinent to the case.

These included her explanation for her conditions on the Barry development – built on a lot too small, by zoning code, for the number of units proposed – which she said she had imposed to try to keep the property as close as possible to zoning guidelines.

Donohue also used her cross examination to explain why she had voted against Eysie Plaza's STM re-zoning article, claiming that Eysie had tried to rush it through without public hearing, which an STM article approval by the Selectmen bypasses.

Eysie countered by stating that he had tried to go through the Planning Board – which would have entailed a hearing – but that it was unsuccessful because Donohue's now deceased husband Paul was its chairman.

After Eysie had finished his testimony and Donohue took the witness chair on

her own behalf, she testified that she had continued to work with him on different committees after the Barry rift (Eysie denied this during his cross examination).

She also argued that the conflict of interest law ruled out the Barry disagreement as part of the case because it had happened more than six years ago (Kantrowitz explained that it was admissible in order to show the relationship among the parties).

Donohue also asked the Ethics Commission to take all of the case's evidence into consideration, rather than just the excerpts of it that had been cited, saying, “If you read the whole scope, it clearly reflects how I have been doing my job to protect the interests of the entire citizenry of the Town of Norwood.”

A key element of her testimony – and Morong's cross examination – was Donohue's sworn interview (conducted by Morong) in October, 2018.

Donohue – citing serious health problems that she (hip replacement, several surgeries and hospitalizations) her sister (stroke), and her husband (lengthy, terminal illness) had been suffering from at the time of her interview, and their cumulative effect on her state of mind – requested that material be struck from it.

In a concession, Kantrowitz granted Donohue two weeks to go over the transcript to note, as he explained it: “Here's what I said. Here's what I should have said.”

Despite that, Morong's cross examination focused almost exclusively on that sworn interview, and questioned Donohue's statements from it.

Responding to several, Donohue acknowledged that what she had said was on the record, while adding that she didn't remember the statements she had made.

“So you weren't telling the truth when you came in for your interview?” Morong asked during one such ex-

change. Donohue responded by building on her earlier statement about her health when the interview had taken place.

“At the time, I tried to tell the truth,” she answered. “At the time, I thought I was telling the truth. But it's not the same feeling that I have when I'm well. I told you: I wasn't well. One of the criteria for testimony is [being] of sound mind.”

“So you weren't of sound mind?” Morong followed.

“I might not have been.” Donohue replied.

“Are you today?”

“Yes, I am.” Donohue continued. “And under no duress. And under no duress.”

“You're not under stress today.”

“Duress.” Donohue corrected. “I didn't say ‘stress.’”

“Are you under duress today?”

“No. No I'm not.”

At the conclusion of Donohue's testimony, Kantrowitz revisited a point that he had brought up at the beginning of the hearing: the fact that the entire case was based on Donohue not having filed a disclosure, and whether or not one was necessary when the information in question was already common knowledge.

Kantrowitz addressed Morong about Eysie's earlier testimony. “Your own witness testified that everybody knew that there was a problem.” While making clear that he had not yet made his decision regarding the case, he continued. “If the purpose of the statute is that, then she's essentially guilty of a technical violation: failing to file.”

After a brief discussion regarding written and “de facto” disclosures, the matter was left with both sides scheduled to make their final arguments to the full Ethics Commission on April 16 at 9:30 a.m. at One Ashburton Place.

SENIOR NEWS

BASIC COMPUTER COURSE: A four-part basic computer course is frequently offered to those who wish to learn how to use a computer. Sign-up at the front desk. New class starting on February 5, at 10:00 AM for 4 weeks. \$2.00 a class.

BINGO: Every Wednesday, from 12:45 PM to 3:00 PM, \$5.00 to get started. We have begun a new game, for \$1.00, with a winner take all prize! You must be here by 12:45 PM to play the new game!

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC: Walpole VNA will be available for blood pressure screening on the first Wednesday of each month. Ellis Nursing Home will offer blood pressure screening on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The Walpole VNA will provide blood pressure screening on the third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 AM. Walpole VNA on the 5th.

BOOK CLUB: Our next Book Club will be meeting on Feb. 24th at the senior center.

BRIDGE: Our Bridge Club meets on Thursdays at 9:00 AM, in the Library. The Tuesday group has been cancelled.

CAMERA CLUB: Join the club to share your love of photography, and learn new skills. Group meets on February 12th and 26th at 11:30 am.

COMPUTER CLUB: The Computer Club meets every Wednesday at 1:00 PM –

COUNCIL ON AGING: COA Board Meeting will be held on March 5, at 1:00 PM – There is no meeting in February.

CRIBBAGE: Our seniors meet every Monday at 12:45 PM to play cribbage. New Class on Fridays at 12:45 (except the 4th Friday).

DIGITAL PHOTO ORGANIZATION & EDITING: will take place the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 11:30 AM.

DRAWING WITH COLORED PENCILS: Classes held the first and third Tuesday of the month at 11AM-12:15PM. \$3.00 a session all materials included. Feb. 4th & Feb. 18th.

FRIENDS EVENING DANCE: February 21st, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Dave Valerio.

GLEE CLUB: Glee Club meets every Tuesday at 11:15 AM.

HANDCRAFTERS: Join knitters, crocheters or any other handcraft every Monday from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM. All are welcome!

HEARING SOLUTIONS: Hearing Aide

clinic on Wednesday, February 26th at 11:30AM.

LEARN TO PLAY MAH JONG: -Thursdays and Fridays at 12:30 PM.

LINE DANCE Classes are held each Tuesday. Class will be held from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

MAH JONG: Mah Jong players meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10:00 AM - Noon.

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WAXING with Erin February 24. 9:00 AM - Noon.

WHIST: Whist players meet on Tuesdays at 12:45 PM, in the library.

Let's Laugh Yoga, Monday, February 3rd at 1:00 pm.

Wheel of Fortune, hosted by Home Instead Senior Care Thursday, February 6th at 1:00 pm.

Joey B Bop, Sings Elvis, Thursday, February 13th at 1:00 pm.

Brain Healthy Cooking for One, Friday, February 21st at 12 Noon, limited to 25 people.

TRIAD, Aubrey Ciol-Norwood Health Dept. Monday, February 24th at 1:00 pm.

The Gentleman from Norwood, Frank Allen, Jerry Kelleher-Friday, February 28th 2 1:00 pm.

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