

BEH withdraws airport complaint However, all not rosy

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

Boston Executive Helicopters (BEH) is no longer pursuing a Part 13 Complaint with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) against Norwood Memorial Airport.

Town and airport officials received word that the complaint had been withdrawn in a letter to FAA Compliance and Land Use Specialist Thomas Vick from BEH's attorney, Timothy McCulloch, which was dated Nov. 4.

According to the letter, BEH is withdrawing its complaint "without prejudice to its rights to again file the Part 13 complaint, or seek any other judicial or administrative remedies available to it."

"BEH was happy to engage in a process under which a resolution satisfactory to both parties could have been easily reached," BEH president Christopher Donovan said. "However, BEH sees no point in litigating the Part 13 with the hostile commission and administration because there is no final FAA or judicial decision arising out of the process ... therefore, BEH has chosen to withdraw its Part 13 while it considers its myriad of judicial and administrative options."

Acting Norwood Airport Commission Chairman Mark Ryan said that officials would be taking the withdrawal as a measure of good faith from BEH and were interested in working things out.

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Around 155 Town Meeting members met on the first day of the Special Town Meeting on Nov. 17, where they discussed a Light Department project and land acquisition.

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Land the focus on day one

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Town Meeting covered the first six articles out of the 20 total articles on the warrant, approving all but one during the first session on Nov. 17. Many of the articles dealt with land acquisition.

Article Four, which funded a Con-

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Ellis Pond

Town Meeting authorized the \$525,000 purchase of land near Ellis Pond with frontage on Nichols Street for conservation uses (approximate location above).

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servation Fund with just over \$44,000, passed unanimously. The provisions for creating a conservation fund are found in the same state law that allows for conservation commissions.

The Conservation Fund allows the Conservation Commission to make purchases of land-with approval from the Selectmen-for the purpose of adding to the Town's and conservation holdings without having to go back to Town Meeting, which could affect negotiating power.

The seed money for the fund would be \$10,000 from free cash and \$34,079 from various Conservation Commission budgets.

As Selectman Bill Plasko pointed out, lands acquired in this way would count towards the denominator of the 1.5 percent formula. He also mentioned that some owners of wetland areas are considering making the lands available. The \$44,000, Plasko said, could help cover the costs of a donation or acquisition from these sources.

Article Five, authorizing the Selectmen to purchase a property near Ellis Pond from the Saint George Orthodox Church for \$525,000, passed with only three 'no' votes.

The 3.3-acre property off Nichols Street would connect to existing conservation property held by the Town. Plasko said that the church had received other offers close to the appraised value of \$550,000 and the recommendation of authorizing the purchase for \$525,000 was driven by market activity.

District Seven member Kevin Pentowski said he was initially torn on the proposed

purchase because of the cost, but was in favor after seeing that a small parcel could be split off to eventually add to the numerator of the 1.5 percent formula.

Sarah Quinn of District Two said she was "completely opposed" to the article because the Town appeared to be rushing to pass articles about the 1.5 percent status, even though the acquisition of land for the Light Department in Article Two allegedly brought the Town close to 1.5 percent threshold already.

Quinn said she'd rather have a "coherent, cohesive study" done before spending more. She also raised the concern of Norwood becoming "the town that won't let anyone in" at the expense of things like school funding.

Selectman Michael Lyons later spoke on the perception of the 1.5 percent issue and how some residents may have been using it.

"I have a huge problem with the idea that the...number one issue in this town is to keep poor people from living here...that's not our biggest problem," Lyons said.

District Four member Anne Haley said that the Town has long put off purchasing land for conservation and that the Town needs more open space.

"This is an opportunity that will not, will not, ever, ever come before us again. This land is too valuable...buy it now," Haley said.

"You have an opportunity to sustain something that is not a renewable source, so we must maintain it," said District Nine member and Conservation Commission chair Cheryl Rogers.

Town Meeting opted to indefinitely postpone Article Six, which would have created a Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund in accordance with Massachusetts General Law provisions.

Plasko said that the fund would have a board of trustees and could pursue matters of creating affordable housing, including through purchase of properties without waiting for Town Meeting. Plasko said that the article would not award any money to the Trust Fund.

A number of Town Meeting members raised concerns about the scope of power the Trust would have, even though they appreciated the idea.

Mary Cassidy of District Nine said that the Trust Fund would have to "meet the specific needs of Norwood" and that the article presented "misses the mark." Cassidy used Andover, Danvers, and Wenham, which all created by-laws to reign in their Affordable Housing Trust Funds, as examples.

Tonie Eosco of District Five said that she was also against the article because there were already a number of housing agencies, such as the Affordable Housing Corporation,

which she did not know enough about. Eosco urged for a more "comprehensive overview" of existing mechanisms.

District Nine member Conor Kenney said he would consider the fund at a subsequent Town Meeting if there were sufficient bylaws and approval from the 1.5 percent task force. John Hall of District 6, David Hajjar of District 4, and Denis Drummey also of District 4 urged a postponement or no vote. Each also said that they were not against poor people, with Hardiman saying that he was against "developers fleecing our town."

Town Meeting unanimously approved the first three articles, which dealt with the Norwood Municipal Light Department's proposed project to reconstruct electric supply transmission lines that bring all of Norwood's power in from the NSTAR grid tap in Sharon.

According to Town General Manager John Carroll, the project was mandated and acting Light Department superintendent James Collins said that the structures had been built in 1969 and were at the end of their useful life. Light Department officials anticipate an 18-month to 2-year project duration.

Any incident to the two existing lines, Collins said, could leave the entire town without power. Collins, the electric engineer and the environmental consultant all said that this was the most cost effective alternative that did not involve waiting for a pole to go down before replacing it, which was inefficient.

The first article authorized the Town to transfer from accounts and borrow funds for a total of around \$12 million for the project. Collins said that the project would be reimbursed 100 percent over time through ISO New England, which is the Regional Transmission Organization that oversees bulk electrical power distribution in New England, though rate increases were still on the horizon.

Article Two involved authorizing a \$420,000 purchase of a series of land parcels, referred to as the Walker Properties, near University Avenue in Norwood, totaling almost 83.5 acres.

The Army Corps of Engineers required that conservation lands be acquired for mitigation purposes, since the power lines are located among wetlands that will face varying temporary and permanent effects as a result of the project.

Kenney said that the land could be used towards the denominator side of the 1.5 percent equation used in determining exemption from 40B development projects.

Article Three authorized the Selectmen to purchase a land easement off of River Ridge Road for \$280,000 for the project.

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Selectmen delay Comcast request to dig up street

Southside Pub receives license extension

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectmen was hesitant to allow Comcast to dig up part of Cottage Street in order to bring service to a building, tabling the discussion at the November 18 meeting.

Permit Representative for Norwood, Manuel Furtado, from Comcast Cable, Inc., went before the Board with a petition to run 766 feet of three-inch PVC underground pipe from a power pole on Broadway to 125 Central Street, where the building owner has had several tenants request Comcast service.

Five tenants at the building have entered into a contract with Comcast for phone and high-speed internet, Furtado said, but Comcast does not have any poles in that part of the downtown area.

Furtado said that the closest pole was located on Broadway near the McDonald's. He said that they had done an "extensive area search" for the best way to reach the building and determined that "trenching" was the best way to reach the site, due to the lack of aerial options.

Selectman and Board Chair Michael Lyons asked about what kind of services the tenants were contracted for and how long their contracts are slated to last. He was concerned about what would happen in the event that the tenants no longer wanted Comcast after three months, given all of the work that needed to be done.

Furtado said he did not deal specifically with the contracts, but he was sure they were longer than three months, and esti-

mated they would last for at least a year or two.

"I don't like the idea of having to dig up the streets," Selectman Bill Plasko said, adding that it was a "significant area to be disturbed."

Plasko wondered whether Comcast could use fiber instead of coax cable and if they did, whether there was any way that the Town could arrange for existing pipe to be used through lease or sale.

Furtado said that he did not want to have to dig up the street if possible and said that both Verizon and Norwood Light provide service to the building already. He said that if there were pipes already running to the building that they could use, he "would love to know about it."

Before anything on the issue could be decided, Selectmen Allan Howard raised concerns about "double poles" throughout the town, where Comcast had yet to transfer wiring over from old poles to the new ones.

"I think it's only reasonable to not approve this 800 feet you want to dig up in our town until the poles are done," Howard said. "Some of these poles have been in this condition for several years ... that's absolutely unreasonable."

Furtado said that he had been unaware of the amount of double poles until just before the meeting because Norwood's power company does not use the Pole Life Management (PLM) system, which notifies cable companies when there are issues with poles. Furtado said he had been monitoring the PLM for around two years and had only seen around 14 pole notifica-

tions in Norwood.

A three-page list of double poles had been compiled, though Furtado said he believed at least around 51 poles had been completed. He said that for a simple wire transfer, a good crew could average around 10 poles per day. But if they had to actually replace cables, that number could be as low as one or two poles per day.

The problem there, Furtado said, was that Comcast would be "shutting customers down," which would have to happen later at night, during "outage times," when people would be less likely to need access to services.

"I'm going to take full responsibility to get these things done," said Furtado, who mentioned that it was within his power to bring in contractors to do the work.

Selectmen

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OPINION

A great one-liner

The best line of the Special Town Meeting on Monday night was from a member who was concerned that Norwood would become the town that “won’t let anyone in,” this comment in reference to Norwood trying everything legally to surpass a housing threshold established by the state so as to maintain control of future proposed multiple unit housing developments under Chapter 40b.

The VERY LAST THING anyone has to be concerned about is the perception that Norwood is becoming a gated town. Norwood is not, nor will it ever become an elitist bedroom community. Its roots run undeniably deep in manufacturing and commerce, at one time the roots of our great nation itself.

Unfortunately, as more and more of our daily products are imported instead of a once proud tradition of “Made in America,” jobs have disappeared, and the plants once

home to these workers now sit empty and deteriorating. These monoliths, along with Norwood’s proximity to highways and public transportation are the drawing cards for developers who see profit, regardless of the potential for crushing a town like Norwood’s infrastructure. Build it and they will come, and to hell with the consequences.

Selectmen have taken a lot of heat for their actions or lack thereof trying to maintain control of this and some of it may be justified. However, in the overall scheme of things, this newspaper believes the best interests of Norwood residents have never been compromised, at least knowingly, by the actions of this board of five. And one Selectman, Bill Plasko, has made it his mission to understand, as best as anyone can, all of the nuances of the state’s extremely complicated matrices relative to housing, devoting more hours as an unpaid

public servant than any resident should have a right to expect.

So, is it wrong for residents to try and protect what’s theirs by limiting the amount of “affordable” housing within its borders? It most definitely is not. Affordable housing is a euphemism for low-income housing, and every town should have its share. The problem right now is that Norwood has more than its fair share, and it is this percentage dramatically increasing that has folks concerned. The more dense housing is built the more public services will decline, the higher taxes will climb and, ultimately, the value of homes will drop. It’s that simple and that scary.

Norwood is on the right track now in its efforts to curb dense housing, and TM is smart enough to recognize it. And if someone somewhere gets the notion that the town is being snobbish, then so be it. NIMBY in this case is a euphemism for enough is enough.

Letters to the Editor

ADDITIONAL LIQUOR LICENSES NOT NEEDED

To the Editor:

Warrant #14 on the upcoming Norwood Town Meeting is about granting four beer and wine licenses for South Norwood. Four licenses are unconscionable in such a concentrated area of the town. At one time, approximately seven drinking establishments, several of them also serving food, were scattered throughout South Norwood. Ask any resident during those years about the drunkenness and disorderly behavior shown by many of those imbibing at these places.

We are all for business in South Norwood. I was born and brought up in South Norwood. Remembering when this was a vibrant business community with grocery stores,

a pharmacy, a bakery, a bank and several small clothing stores. But NOW, with an elementary school, a junior high school and a Church in South Norwood, there is no need for four beer/wine licenses. We are not against one license if it can increase the revenue of an ex-

isting restaurant or lure a new business to the area. But, four licenses is over-kill.

We are hoping that the Town Meeting Members will see that these many licenses are by no means needed in South Norwood.

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Committee of 21 dictates terms

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

During a meeting on Nov. 12, the Committee of 21 tasked with examining the school budgeting process identified what its consultant, the Abrahams Group, will be analyzing for its independent study.

The Committee voted unanimously to extend the scope of the Abrahams Group's study to include Norwood's special education, non-classroom information technology, revenue, facilities, business and finance and personnel and salary.

Many of these areas were on an initial list suggested by Abrahams Group president Mark Abrahams after a discussion of potential parameters during a previous meeting on Oct. 29.

Based on the discussions, Abrahams initially suggested the Committee select four parameters - special education, information technology, facilities, and revenue - in order to allow Abrahams and his team to do an adequate "deep dive" into the topics, given the \$30,000 budget.

The Committee and the consultants came to an agreement that they could expand the scope of the study if the Committee was able to contribute more information in some areas.

The Committee ultimately decided that the Abrahams Group would not have to do as much of a "deep dive" into revenue or facilities.

Members of the Committee said that the town had already done plenty of research on facilities, including conducting interviews with nearby towns regarding their facilities departments, and could provide Abrahams with plenty of data.

As for the revenue side, Town Clerk and Accountant Robert Thornton was confident that there would not be too many surprises and that while some funds may be

found, it would not be close to the magnitude that the School Department needs.

Sarah Sullivan agreed that many Committee members were now well versed in revenue and could do some of the work on that end, if it meant that the Abrahams Group could look into additional areas.

"I want you people to be the salesmen for the rest of the community that we've got a great school system here," Superintendent of Schools James Hayden said.

After lengthy discussion, the Committee also settled on which communities the Abrahams Group would use in the benchmarking part of its study. The Committee unanimously decided to include comparisons with the school districts in Dedham, Stoughton, Walpole, Canton, Burlington and Milford.

For the facilities portion of the study, the consultants would use the communities already researched by Norwood during the town's studies.

Abrahams had identified an initial group of similar communities based on comparisons with Norwood's per pupil expenditures in fiscal year 2013, wealth factors, students foundation budgets, spending excess over requirement, and whether the community was a neighboring town or a District Analysis, Review, and Assistance Tools (DART)-comparable town.

The first communities for comparison suggested to the Committee were Dedham, Falmouth, Burlington, and Stoughton. Dedham was the most closely comparable town according to the parameters, followed by both Burlington and Falmouth.

Alan Slater debated whether comparisons to places like Burlington and Falmouth would mean anything to the residents of Norwood, who are likely more interested in comparisons with contiguous communities.

Some members also mentioned that this would be important when going to Town Meeting, which would ultimately make any financial or policy decisions, with the study.

Thornton also proposed a separate list of communities that would be good candidates for comparisons, which included three DART communities and three contiguous towns. These included Melrose, Milford, and Stoughton on the DART side and Dedham, Canton, and Walpole for contiguous towns.

"If the endgame is to go looking for more money, you want to be able to show people you studied apples and apples, or things they can relate to," said Thornton.

Some members thought that comparisons to similar towns might not yield useful information, as those towns could likely be dealing with the same issues. Instead, they should look to wealthier towns, such as "the W's" - Wellesley, Walpole, and others - and Lexington, these members suggested.

Hayden warned against getting caught up in the benchmarking process.

"Putting your faith in numbers is a good thing when you can trust the numbers," Hayden said, referring to Boston Magazine's retraction of its school rankings. "We're really getting caught up on the ranking of this and ranking of that...let's get back to what were trying to do. We're trying to show the people of Norwood that they can trust us."

Abrahams said that benchmarking often raises more questions than answers, but in comparing benchmarking results, Norwood could see "that which is similar," as well as which of these similar communities is outperforming it and why that is so.

BEH complaint *continued from page 1*

"All along, we've been moving forward trying to get this situation settled," Ryan said. "We've approved BEH's hangar, we've approved their fueling facility, we're looking forward to them being a productive partner down the airport."

BEH filed the Part 13 complaint on June 5 of this year against the airport and the Norwood Airport Commission. The complaint alleged that the Commission had violated federal grant obligations and discriminated against BEH in order to prevent it from becoming a Fixed Base Operator at Norwood Memorial Airport.

In its July 10 response, the Commission requested that the FAA take no action on the complaint because the allegations were "lacking in merit."

There is still another pending Part 13 Complaint against the airport that is yet to be resolved.

Airport Commissioner Oulton Hues Jr. filed a Part 13 complaint with the FAA on Sept. 30. The complaint also alleges violations on the part of the airport regarding grant obligations.

"Based upon all this obfuscation by the Norwood Airport Commission and Board of Selectmen, I have had no choice than to go back to the FAA in a formal fashion," Hues said in an interview after filing the complaint.

Ryan said that the Commission has not received anything on this latest complaint, from the FAA or from Hues. As such, the Commission cannot yet respond.

At this time, Ryan said, airport officials are more concerned with moving forward to resolve any issues with BEH.

"The most important one we were dealing with is BEH's (complaint). It's a great sign if they removed that complaint for now," Ryan said. "It's up to BEH and ourselves to get together and try to make this all work."

Despite the complaint withdrawal, BEH is engaged in yet another row at the airport.

BEH, through its attorney, also sent a series of public records requests to town and airport officials regarding emails about BEH, which were denied.

Town Counsel Brandon Moss responded in a letter dated Nov. 13 that many of these requests sent to personal residences were inappropriate and that the requests for documentary materials, including correspondence, were too broad at would be at substantial cost to the town.

"I am shocked at the reply of the Town, as ultimately each individual is the keeper of their own records and responsible to the law," said Donovan.

In the letter, Moss said that the requests were not limited by subject matter or time frame and were "tantamount to harassment and borderline misuse of the Public Records law."

"Accordingly, the Town denies your public records requests because you have not provided a reasonable description as required by (law) ... The Town therefore reserves its rights relative to the identification and assertion of any grounds for withholding 'documentary materials' in whole or in part, pending a reasonable description and subsequent search," the letter read.

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1.5 Percent Task Force ID's first potential properties

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The 1.5 Percent Task Force identified several potential properties in open session for the Town to consider acquiring during a meeting on Nov. 13.

Town Counsel Karas North pointed out the issue that the Task Force may not be able to legally go into executive session just to discuss properties.

Open meeting laws allow a public body to go into executive discussion to discuss land acquisition, but only if there is a direct negotiating position to protect.

This is because identifying specific properties and dollar amounts could have a detrimental effect on negotiations and the Town's bargaining position.

North said that the Committee must be involved in "active negotiations for this to apply." North also said that the properties must be mentioned in the agenda notice if they are to be discussed in executive session.

Halkiotis said there had been discussion with CARMAX on Route 1, which is located near some wetlands. He said they were working out whether part of the property - around 10 or 11 acres - could be donated or sold to the Town. Halkiotis said the owner's primary concern was whether the transaction would affect their compliance with land records and laws.

The property, if acquired, would likely go to the Conservation Commission and count towards the denominator side of the equation.

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Plasko said that the town had made many attempts to reach Comcast on the issue before, so he still had reservations about any further plans.

"I'm not likely to take your word that it's going to get done," Plasko said.

Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue said that the Board should give Comcast two months to fix the double pole problems, at which point they could come back to address the trenching issue, which she referred to as a "huge undertaking."

Selectman Tom Bishop said that there was no momentum to pass anything during the meeting, and motioned to table the issue for two weeks. At that point, Furtado could come back with a plan regarding taking care of the double poles in town.

Plasko suggested that Furtado also take advantage of the delay to look at other

Another landlocked wetlands property with an owner who could be willing to donate, consisting of an 11-acre parcel and a nine-acre parcel, was identified.

Bill Plasko said that the property was previously suggested by the Light Department to the Army Corps of Engineers in order to fulfill mitigation obligations, but was not selected.

Chairman David Hajjar also presented two properties on the market that could go to the numerator.

Plasko, seeing who the owners were, said, "They don't give anything away." He also said that they could end up paying top dollar for minimal square footage and an odd shaped lot.

The members reviewed a 1.5 percent report for Norwood compiled by Assistant Town Engineer and Task Force Member Andy Murphy, with the help of Town Counsel.

Murphy said that the purpose of the review was to make sure that the entire Task Force understood the formula by which the Town's 1.5 percent status was determined and what properties could or could not be included.

The report concluded that Norwood was at 1.45 percent of its land dedicated to affordable housing.

Brian Hardiman pointed out that the total may be different, since more updated figures had been developed. He said it reflected the Town's status six months ago. Hardiman also pointed out several instances at certain properties where he felt

options using "other conduits" in order to bring power to the Central Street building without having to dig up the street.

Bishop's motion passed unanimously.

Plasko also directed Town General Manager John Carroll to reach out to the appropriate party at Comcast, Frank Foss, about using fiber instead of coax cable at the site to avoid digging up the street.

In addition, the Board also gave Donna Grant of Southside Pub and Grill a six-month deadline to work out a sale of a liquor license she still holds, despite her business having been closed since August 2013, a potential violation of state laws.

Grant said that she had four deals fall through, though she believed she had a buyer, a Norwood resident, who just needed to work out some finances.

there was more land that could be counted.

Murphy countered that the purpose of reviewing the study was to make sure that the entire task force understood how the figures were reached, not whether the number at that exact moment was correct.

"The 1.5 percent minimum the way I look at it is a snapshot of where the town is at any time," Murphy said. "The time we take that snapshot is when an applicant submits to the board a comprehensive permit."

The Task Force was convened by the Selectmen to make property recommendations so that Norwood can have grounds to deny comprehensive permits for 40B developments, which allow developers to work around zoning laws if they provide a certain number of affordable units.

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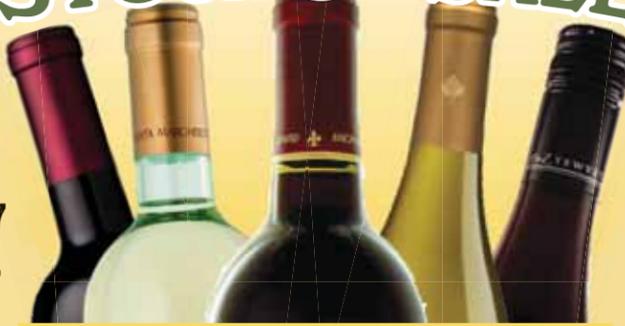


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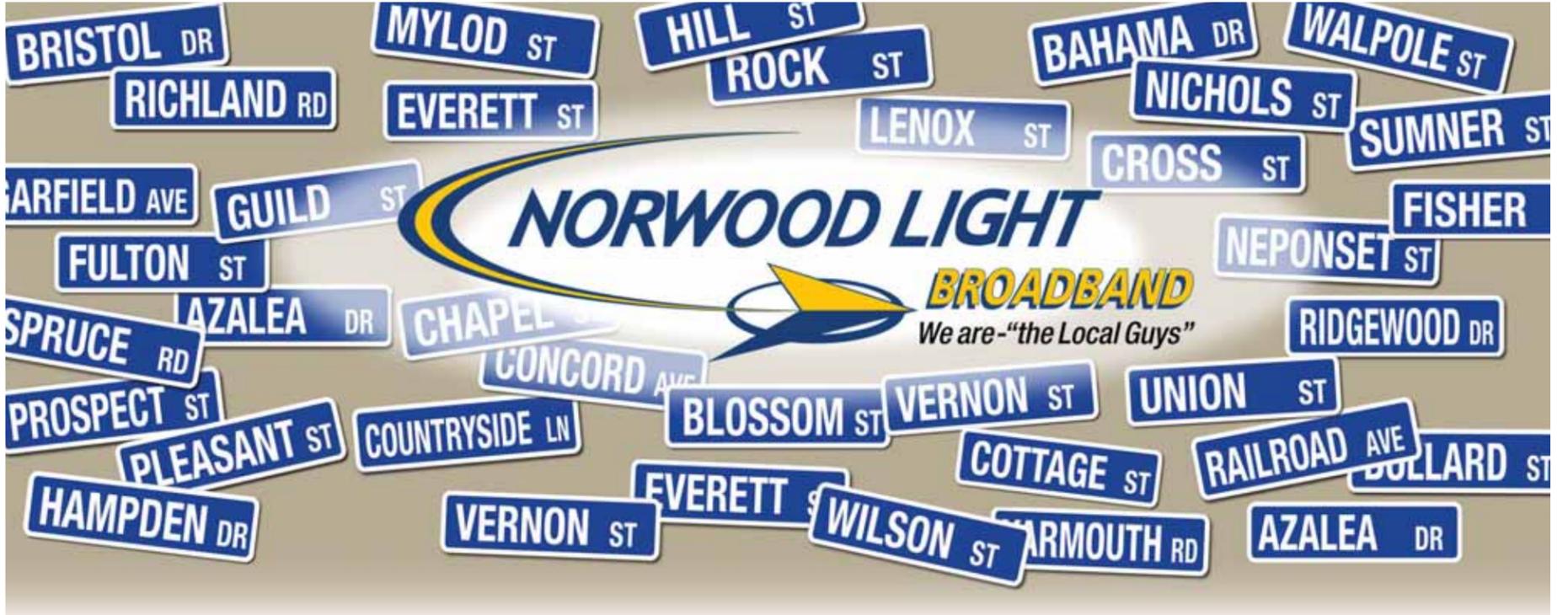
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Sports

Three-game winning streak over as Mustangs drop nail-biter to Milton, 10-7



The Mustangs improved play continued this weekend, but the squad ultimately fell short in a tightly contested game against the Milton Wildcats.

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

For the fourth straight game, the Norwood Mustangs football squadron put together an effort both they and their fans could be proud of.

But for the first time during said

stretch, the Mustangs (3-7) found themselves on the short end of the stick, losing 10-7 to the Milton Wildcats (5-5) on a 21-yard field goal with two seconds left in regulation. The chip shot kick was set up by a 59-yard hook-and-ladder play run by Milton on a third-and-10 from their own 37-yard line,

with less than 20 seconds to go in the game.

Turnovers on its first three possessions doomed Norwood. Despite losing the turnover battle 3-2 to the Wildcats, the Mustangs looked poised to at least get out of the game with a tie, and at certain points later in the game looked like

they were capable of winning outright. They outgained Milton 306-236 in total offense, and forced both Wildcat turnovers in the second half.

"I thought we played really well until we got inside the 15 or the 20," said head coach Jim Tighe after his team's three-game winning streak came to an end. "We couldn't finish."

It was the teams' second meeting this season, the first coming back on Sept. 27 at Milton. The Wildcats won that game as well, 21-6.

"I thought we played well up front on both sides of the ball," said Tighe, who said his team's effort on defense was close to its best of the season. "They couldn't do much after that first drive. We were in the right spots. [The end of the game], the trick play, kids get all hyped up and want to make a play and all of a sudden, they're running by you."

Norwood began the game with the ball and drove across midfield before quarterback Jake Vail threw an interception to linebacker Aiden Smith. Vail and Joe Leanos combined to complete nine of 25 passes for 183 yards for the Mustangs.

Starting at its own 35, the Wildcats moved downfield in just seven plays, capped off by a 30-yard TD pass from Mike Fallon to Ludwig Frederique. Fallon finished 6-13

for 132 yards passing with a touchdown and an interception. The PAT made in 7-0 with 3:57 to go in the first quarter.

Brian Wright fumbled on the Mustangs' next drive, followed by a Leanos interception on the next, but the Mustang defense stood strong each time. The 7-0 score held at the half.

It was clear from Milton's first offensive series of the second half that it was going to be a dogfight to get out of Norwood with a victory. Leanos and Eric Sullivan in particular rose to the occasion for the Mustangs, with Leanos blocking a 27-yard field goal attempt on that first drive and Sullivan ending Milton's next possession with an interception of Fallon.

A back-and-forth game of field position ensued for much of the second half until Norwood finally broke through with 6:01 left in the fourth quarter. Wright returned a punt to the Mustang 39-yard line, and two plays later Leanos connected with Joe Mazzotta for a 54-yard touchdown pass. The extra point was good, tying the game at 7-7.

"I was going to go for two at first, and then decided against it. There was a lot of time left. I think if it was closer to the end of the game, I might have gone for two.

Football

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Norwood Field Hockey reflects on sensational season

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

It's been over two weeks since the Norwood Mustangs field hockey team fell in the Division I south sectional semifinals, providing head coach Allison Doliner with plenty of time to reflect on her team's 16-2-2 campaign. And the initial devastation of the loss to Oliver Ames seems to have faded in favor of fonder memories from the season.

Norwood hadn't advanced this far in the tournament since 2002, Doliner's freshman year at Norwood High School. That year, the team won the south, as she recalls, before falling to Weston in the Eastern Massachusetts final.

Also in 2002 was the last time the Mustangs had tied the archrival Walpole Porkers. The last time, that is, until this season, when Norwood played to a 1-1 draw at Walpole High School on Sept.

23.

"Tying Walpole was a huge feat," said Doliner, who just completed her second year as head coach. "These girls had their eyes set on certain goals, and they did everything they could to achieve them."

Doliner spoke glowingly of many events from the season, including that Walpole game. Though this year's edition of the Porkers was upset in the first round of the playoffs, at the time they were still the defending-Division I state champions. She mentioned making the post-season, obviously, and advancing further than they did a year ago. It didn't take long for senior captain Kacie Smith's record-breaking season to come up in conversation either.

Smith tallied 34 goals and 13 assists for 47 points, both the goals and points totals establishing new Mustang records.

The previous record-holder, Kate Foley, was a member of the 1983 Norwood Mustangs.

That team was undefeated and un-scored upon during the regular season before being stunningly upset in the playoffs. Foley came and talked to this year's edition of the Mustangs after their regular season finale, a 3-1 loss in their second matchup against Walpole.

"She told them that the pressure was off, [and that] really helped the girls bounce back," said Doliner. The Mustangs would indeed win their first two tournament games following Foley's pep talk.

Rave reviews were given to the team's home night game by Doliner. This season also happened to be the first time a girl's athletic team in Norwood had played a night game under the lights at home. Receiving the honor, the field hockey team took advantage of the occasion by having a "pink out" game, wearing pink jerseys to raise breast cancer awareness.

"It was such an awesome night," said Doliner. "We were

able to donate a good amount [of money] to breast cancer research, something we held close to our hearts this season. We had all the fans there, and it was a really awesome event that we hope to continue in the future."

While the field hockey season is over, it's hardly the last hurrah for this group of girls in Norwood athletics. Nearly all of them play win-

Field Hockey

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Norwood may not have captured a state championship this season, but coaches and players are proud of their 16-2-2 record.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

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So I just figured we'd go for one, and deal with that when we needed to," said Tighe. Norwood's field goal unit has struggled at times this season, but has played better of late. Although in the last two games against North Quincy and Hingham, the

Mustangs went 3 for 4 on two-point conversions. They attempted just one PAT, making it, but that was while holding a 22-7 lead over NQ.

Norwood threatened again inside one minute remaining, moving the ball all the way to the Milton 24 before turning the ball over on



The versatile Brian Wright prepares for a kick during last week's showdown with Milton. In addition to punting, Wright is one of the Mustangs top rushers this season.

PHOTO BY JAKE LEVIN

downs with 0:43 to go.

It looked as though the game would end in a tie, with no overtime necessary, as is the case for what are essentially consolation bracket games this time of the season if you're not in the playoffs. But the Wildcats reached into their bag of tricks, running a play that would be recognizable on the big stage from the Oklahoma-Boise State Fiesta Bowl game back in 2007, on a similarly-designed hook-and-ladder play.

Though the play didn't result in a touchdown, it put Milton in position to kick what was eventually the game-winning field goal. The Wildcats survived, 10-7.

One game remains for the Mustangs, the annual Thanksgiving Day game vs. Dedham (2-8). The game returns to Norwood this season, following a 20-18 Marauders victory a year ago.

Like the Mustangs, Dedham got off to a slow start this season, losing their first eight contests before winning their previous two. The Marauders will be coming off a 14-6 at Coyle & Cassidy last Friday evening.

"They have the trophy; our aim is to get the trophy back. Their aim is to keep it," said Tighe. The game is set for a week from Thursday, Nov. 27, at 10 a.m. at Norwood High School.

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ter and spring sports, too.

This winter, look for Smith and Sammy Hayes as captains of the girls' ice hockey team. They'll be joined by another field hockey captain, Lisa Moynihan, in addition to Coley Hayes, Hannah Gillis, Shannon Gillis and Casey McDonald. Julia Copponi, Hannah Benson and Maura O'Neill are all captains of the girls' basketball team.

In the spring, the entire cast of ice hockey and basketball players are on the girls' lacrosse team, joined by Kelly Erker and Val Quinlan, too.

Looking towards the future, Norwood set the bar high with its performance this season. Smith signed her letter of intent last week to play at Stonehill College in Easton next fall, while Sammy Hayes is also weighing options to play collegiately next fall. Those won't be easy shoes to fill for the Mustangs next fall, nor will



Coach Allison Doliner

any void left by the other seniors be. But Doliner seems to be okay with that.

"We want to progress forward. We want to win and want to be competitive, and be in the running. We know where we can be now, and expectations are that we do everything we can to reach, if not exceed, that expectation."

SENIOR NEWS

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BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC: Hellenic Health Care will be available for blood pressure screening on the first Wednesday of each month. Ellis Nursing Home will offer blood pressure screening on the second Wednesday of each month. The Walpole VNA will provide blood pressure screening on the third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

BOOK CLUB: Our next Book Club will be meeting on Nov. 17, 10 a.m.

BRIDGE: Our Bridge Club meets on Thursdays at 9:15 a.m. in the Library. The Tuesday group has been cancelled.

COMPUTER CLUB: The Computer Club meets each Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Library/Computer Room. Computer users at all skill levels are welcome to attend.

CRIBBAGE: Our seniors meet every Monday at 12:45 p.m. to play cribbage.

DIABETES WORKSHOP: The Diabetes Workshop will meet on Thurs. Nov. 27, at 11 a.m.

EXCEL CLASSES: Excel classes have resumed. Please sign up.

FOOTDOCTOR: Dr. Cormier is scheduled for Nov. 25 from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$25. Please call for appointment.

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

HANDCRAFTS: Senior Handcrafters meet every Monday from 1 to 3 p.m.

HISTORY TALK: Classes will be held on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 1 p.m. The topic will be Findings & Techniques used in Archeology.

MASSAGE THERAPIST: Karen Tracy is here on the first Mon-

day of each month. Please sign up at front desk. Massages are \$30 for half an hour.

NORWOOD RETIRED MEN'S CLUB: The Board of Directors meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Center (Except July and August). The Club Membership meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Norwood Elks Lodge, at 10 a.m.

OIL PAINTING: Oil Painting class is offered Thursday, Nov. 20 at 9:30 a.m.

PROPOPE: Is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m.

SCRABBLE: Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. Come and join us for a game.

SHINE: Our SHINE Counselor, Carol, is here to help you with your medical insurance needs on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please call 781-762-1201 for an appointment.

SQUARE DANCE: Please join our Square Dance Class every Tuesday at 9 a.m.

WAXING: Cancelled until further notice.

WHIST: Whist players meet on Tuesdays at 12:45 p.m. in the library.

WHIST PARTY: Whist parties will be held on the fourth Friday of each month 1 to 3 p.m.

FRIENDS DANCE: Friday, Nov. 21, at 7 p.m.

Trips: Dec. 2: A 50s & 60s Holiday Show, Luncheon and Show, White's of Westport the cost is \$64. Dec. 3: Sicilian Tenors, Luncheon and Show Demetri's Foxboro, the cost is \$59. Mini-Bus Trips Tuesday, Nov. 25: Target/Home Goods

THE COMPUTER CLUB AT THE NORWOOD SENIOR CENTER:

On Wednesdays from 1 to 2 p.m. Located at the Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood. The Computer Club at the Norwood Senior Center was created in January 2010 to facilitate mutual help and information exchange among Norwood computer users and local area seniors who are interested in personal computing. The club is for everyday users as well as those who have more advanced computer knowledge and experience.

Seniors from local area towns are welcome to attend on a space-available basis. There is no cost to belong to the Computer Club. Weekly meetings are led by a panel (a.k.a. "Resource Panel") of three members who are computer literate in personal computers, and computer applications, using Microsoft Operating Systems. A question and answer format is used, followed by the introduction of a new computer topic as time allows. If a member has a question/problem concerning their computer, another member may have the solution. If not, the Resource Panel will attempt to provide a solution. If a solution is not forthcoming the question/problem may be deferred to the following week for discussion after the Resource Panel has had time to research the answer. The meeting room is configured as in a classroom setting with a laptop, projector and screen used by a Resource Panel member to facilitate, as needed, the proposed solution to the problem being discussed. Members are encouraged not to bring their own laptops. An Internet access point is available. The club is pleased to have had Norwood Broadband, Norwood Computer Department, Norwood Police/crime lab personnel and the Norwood Technology Librarian visit club meetings on occasion to provide instructions on a given subject, describe their operations and enter into a dialogue with club members. The Norwood Technology Librarian will return to the club on Dec. 3 for an hour of Facebook instruction. After almost five years of working on the Resource panel, one of our panel members has decided to "retire." The club has one vacancy on the panel for someone who is computer literate, likes to teach and can make a commitment to attend meetings on a regular basis. Meetings are held each Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the library/computer room. Any Norwood senior who would like to serve on the three-member panel should contact Kerri McCarthy, Director, 781-762-1201, Frank McDermott, 781-769-1581, or Ken Washburn, 781-769-2571 as soon as possible.

Library Events

THE STITCH DOCTOR IS IN AT THE LIBRARY

Fellow knitters and crocheters: are you swamped by swatches? Incensed by increases? Peeved at patterns? In knots over SL1 K2TOG PSSO? Oh, and do you have a gift deadline? We can help! From now through the holidays, the knitters and crocheters of the Morrill Memorial Library will be available by appointment to help with knitting and crochet quandaries. Please bring all of the materials for your project, including needles and patterns. Also, please let us know ahead of time what sort of project you'd like help with, in case we need to look up a new technique. A second pair of eyes can't hurt! Please contact Adult Services Librarian Liz Reed to schedule all appointments and to answer any questions about this service. Liz can be reached at 781-769-0200 x110 or lreed@minlib.net.

AN EVENING OF HARP MUSIC

On Wednesday, Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. the Morrill Memorial Library will host an evening of harp music. Dr. Lizary Rodríguez Ríos and six of her students will perform classical and modern musical pieces from the United States and around the world. This special evening concert will be held in the Cushing Reading Room on the library's second floor. Ms. Rodríguez Ríos, who holds a Doctorate in Musical Arts, has been described as an "elegant artist...a delight for the mind, heart, and spirit." She has performed in Puerto Rico, Europe, and the U.S. and has toured with the Grammy-nominated harp ensemble, "Harp Fusion." CDs of Lizary's music will be available for sale at the show. Sign up for this lively concert at the Reference or Information Desk or call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222. You can also sign up by emailing us at norprograms@minlib.net. This concert is supported by the Library Endowment Fund. The library is accessible to the physically challenged

NYRA BOOK CLUB

Fourth and fifth grade students are invited to join the NYRA book discussion on Monday, Nov. 24 at 7 p.m. The Great Unexpected is our title this month. Registration is required. Lucy the R.E.A.D. is coming to visit on Nov. 25 at 4 p.m. Registration required. The Lego Movie. There will be a showing of the Lego Movie on Friday, Nov. 28 at 11 a.m. (day after Thanksgiving) Registration required.

FALL STORYTIME

The Children's Department at the Morrill Memorial Library is happy to announce its Fall Story Time Schedule. Story times run through Dec. 12. Weekly story times include Babes n' Books Wednesdays at 10:30 to 11 a.m. for infants to 17 months old; On My Own Story time Thursdays at 10 to 10:30 a.m. for ages 3 & 4; Toddler Time Fridays at 10:30 to 11 a.m. for children under 3 and their caregivers. Special Story times are PJ Story time Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. for all ages; Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 4 p.m. for beginning reader and up; For further information visit our website norwoodlibrary.org, under the Kids and Teens tab, click on Children's Story times.

HANDWRITTEN LETTERS FROM SANTA

The Willett Early Childhood Center has agreed to help Santa with his mail this year! "Operation Santa" has been formed to help Santa receive his mail faster. This will ensure Santa has enough time to answer your child's letter with a hand-written response straight from the North Pole! For a \$5 donation, Operation Santa will express mail your child's letter to the North Pole. Your child will receive a hand-written response from the jolly old man himself. All proceeds from your donation will be given to Norwood's own Circle of Hope Foundation, which directly supports Norwood families facing financial hardships while dealing with serious illness. Forms are available at the Willett Early Childhood Center, Norwood Recreation Department, or by e-mail at kfredericks@norwood.k12.ma.us and

should be returned to the Willett Early Childhood Center by Dec. 3. We cannot guarantee Santa will have time to respond after this date. Checks can be made out to the Circle of Hope.

BIBLE STUDY AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

Will begin on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 8:15 a.m. and will meet all four Sundays of Advent. This year we will be looking at different accounts of the Nativity, including some from the non-canonical Gospels. We meet in the church parlor and begin each class with a time of fellowship, including coffee, muffins, and bagels. Each session will

end around 9:30 a.m., allowing for a short break before the morning worship service begins at 10 a.m. First Congregational Church (United Church of Christ) is an Open & Affirming congregation welcoming all. We are located at the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood. The 10 a.m. Sunday morning worship service is followed by a fellowship hour in Pingree Hall. Church school classes and nursery care are provided during the service. Our pastor Reverend Dr. John Hamilton is glad to extend pastoral support. For more information, please call the church office at (781)762-3320.

CHRISTMAS TREE CORRAL IS SET UP AT GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Christmas is quickly approaching which means the Christmas tree corral is set up on the front lawn of Grace Episcopal Church! Join a Norwood Christmas tree-buying tradition which has endured for almost 30 years. The Nova Scotia balsams range from \$20 (table top) to \$50 with many beautiful trees available in the \$25-\$35 range. Decorated wreaths are available for \$15 and undecorated for \$10. Come early for wreaths - they sell out quickly. Hours are (weather permitting) weekdays 3-9 p.m., Saturdays 9 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sundays noon-9 p.m. The church is located at 150 Chapel St.

GIFTS FOR KIDS SEEKS SPONSORS TO BRIGHTEN SEASON FOR CHILDREN

For more than 20 years, the Gifts for Kids Program has helped ease the financial burden for less fortunate families during the holiday season. This year, the organization has been asked to provide gifts for more than 1,000 (1,020 to be exact) children identified by human service providers in South Norfolk County (including Foxboro) and surrounding towns. As the holidays near, the organizers are asking for the public's renewed support so they may continue to bring joy to these families. To sponsor a child, starting Nov. 18, email or call one of the following people between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.: Teri Gorsky - terigfk@gmail.com - 617-267-1441, Katherine Dowd - katherinedowd121@gmail.com 781-784-4405, Karen Gordon - kgordongfk@gmail.com - 508-384-7616. Sponsors will be given information about a child along with packaging instructions. Drop off is at the VFW on Robbins Road in Walpole on Dec. 16 and at Our Lady of Sorrows in Sharon on Dec. 18 between 4 and 6 p.m. To make a cash donation, make a check payable to Gifts for Kids and send to Gifts for Kids, Inc, PO Box 464, Sharon, MA 02067. Gifts for Kids is a local, all-volunteer, 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Check out the website at www.giftsforkidsinfo.com and <http://www.facebook.com/giftsforkids>.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BLOOD DRIVE

St. Timothy's Parish is hosting a Blood Drive to benefit Boston Children's Hospital on Saturday, Nov. 22. The Bloodmobile will be at the church parking lot, 650 Nichols St., Norwood, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. To schedule an appointment to donate go to www.halfpints.childrenshospital.org, sponsor code is STC NORW or call the Parish Nurse Office, 781-769-2522, ext. 34. For specific questions about donating blood or eligibility, call the Blood Donor Center @ 617-355-6677. Each donation can help up to four young patients!

NORWOOD BOY SCOUT TROOP 42 PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Boy Scout Troop 42 of Norwood is hosting a PANCAKE BREAKFAST on Saturday, Nov. 22, at 8 to 11:30 a.m. at the First Congregational Church, 100 Winter St., Norwood (corner of Rte 1A). Please join us for a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausages, (fresh fruit cup for vegetarians) home fries, juice and coffee! And don't forget to stop by our BAKE SALE and bring home some cakes, pies, cookies, and home-baked goods. Perfect for Thanksgiving! Discounts available to Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts in uniform, and seniors as well. Troop 42, one of the oldest chartered Boy Scout troops in America, will be celebrating our 105th anniversary in 2015! Fall is here and we're gearing up for some

fabulous adventures, including camping, biking and hiking trips to Cape Cod, Blue Hills, snow tubing, and in the spring, whitewater rafting at Zoar Gap, and summer camp at Camp Squanto in Plymouth (to name just a few)! If you're a boy between the ages of 11 and 18 and are interested in more information about joining our troop, please stop by our Pancake Breakfast or check out our website at www.troop42norwood.com. No previous experience necessary, just an interest in growing and having fun!

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE

The Women's Community Committee Thrift Shop, located at 1091 Washington St., Norwood, will hold its annual Christmas sale on Saturday, Nov. 29, 2014 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. New gift items, clothes, ornaments, decorations, games and toys are featured at great prices. The WCC, is an all-volunteer non-profit organization, and hopes that this Christmas Sale is one of the first stops for holiday gift buying. All proceeds are used to support local organizations.

NORWOOD COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Norwood Masons to Host American Red Cross Massachusetts Blood Services Region. The Red Cross will hold its Norwood Community Blood Drive, sponsored by the Norwood Masons, on Saturday, Nov. 29. Presenting donors may come to the Norwood Masonic Building at 76 Day St. in Norwood from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Presenting donors will be offered a free breakfast. Walk-ins are welcome and appointments are encouraged. To make an appointment, simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit <http://tiny.cc/471wox> to register. A blood donor card or driver's license, or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental permission in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain additional height and weight requirements. Follow the American Red Cross Massachusetts Blood Services Region @RedCrossBloodMA, or visit www.redcrossblood.org for more information. Follow Orient Lodge @OrientNorwood, or visit www.orientlodge.org for more information.

ANNUAL EVERGREEN FAIRE

Come to the annual Evergreen Faire at the First Congregational Church in Norwood (United Church of Christ) on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.! This year's Faire will include handmade cards and jewelry, intricately carved wooden ornaments by local craftsman Ron Wiik, a large selection of glassware and collectibles at the Unique Boutique, handmade American Girl doll clothes, and a marvelous Silent Auction. As a special treat this year, violinist Anna Magee from the Parkway Orchestra will put everyone in the holiday mood as she serenades Faire-goers with Christmas music in Pingree Hall. We're pleased to report that this year's Silent Auction will once again feature gorgeous hand-carved wooden bowls made by local craftsman Ken Lindgren, as well as decorative glassware, lots of popular games and puzzles for the kids, and gift cards for local stores and restaurants including The Chateau and The Common Café and Patisserie. A catalog listing all the items in the Silent Auction can be picked up at the church office two weeks prior to the Faire. Bidding on auction items will close at 2 p.m. There will also be a Treasure Room full of great finds for everyone in the family; photos and cards by Bill St. Laurent; a wonderful selection of handmade quilts, crafts, and sweaters; a Country

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Store well stocked with our famous homemade apple pies, Finnish coffee bread, fudge, and other baked goodies, and new this year, healthy frozen meals-to-go. A luncheon featuring pizza, chili and hot dogs will be served from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. So come and enjoy the Evergreen Faire at the First Congregational Church, located at the corner of Route 1A and Winter Street in Norwood. For more information, please call (781) 762-3320.

NORWOOD HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1974

Will hold its 40th class reunion, on Friday, Nov. 28, from 7 p.m. to midnight. Olde Colonial Cafe, 171 Nahatan St., Norwood. Buffet, Tickets \$35 per person. Contact Dan Donovan at (781)-769-6344 for additional information. Mail checks to Dan Donovan, 47 Heather Drive, Norwood, MA 02062. Make checks out to Dan Donovan, Class of 1974. RSVP by 11/20/14. Please spread the word to our classmates.

HELPLIGHT UP THE CIRCLE OF HOPE

The Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation invites you to help light up the Circle of Hope by purchasing a luminary to be lit on Saturday evening, Dec. 6 on the Town Common. Continuing a Norwood tradition begun 14 years ago, the members of the Circle of Hope Foundation call the luminaries a symbol of Life, Hope, the Season, and Remembrance of others. Last year more than 1,800 luminaries were lit on the town common. Luminaries can be purchased for \$5 each from any Foundation board member, by calling 781.762.3549, or by mailing your check and messages to The Circle

of Hope Foundation, 24 Myrtle St., Norwood MA 02062. The purchaser can designate a short message of life, hope, the season or remembrance to be written on their luminary. The candles will be lit beginning at 5 p.m. and the Foundation members hope that residents and friends will come out and be a part of the evening's events, which include the luminaries, music, entertainment and refreshments. Again this year the Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation is teaming with the Norwood Theatre to bring the original holiday classic, Miracle on 34th Street, on the big screen at the beautiful Norwood Theatre on Saturday, Dec. 6, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. Starring Natalie Wood, this movie tells the story of a young girl who doesn't believe in Santa Claus but has her beliefs and those of her mother challenged when a stranger named Kris fills in for a misbehaving Santa at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Kris quickly becomes a favorite with nearly everyone he meets helping to restore the Christmas spirit to believers and non-believers alike. The movie will let out just as the luminaries are lit on the common welcoming theatergoers to a sparkling site on the town common. All proceeds from the 3:30 showing of this classic will be generously donated to the Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation by the Norwood Theatre. Tickets are \$7 students and seniors, \$10 adults and are available at the Norwood Theatre box office. Encore showings will take place at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. 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. Last year the foundation gave more than \$100,000 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 Norwood Circle of Hope Foundation plans to continue. For more information or to purchase luminary please call (781) 762 - 3549.

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Tickets: A limited number of seats are still available. Tickets are \$40 per seat and \$400 per table (10 seats per table). For tickets, please send a check, payable to Friends of St. Nick, to the address below. Requests will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Tickets will be mailed upon full receipt of monies. For more information, please call 781-762-0042.

*Please join us immediately following the luncheon
at Napper Tandy's, Day Street in Norwood.*

Proceeds from the event are donated to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

Friends of St. Nick . P.O. Box 814 . Norwood, MA 02062

Tuesday Nov. 11

0019 phone - Animal complaint services rendered Location/address: Day St + Beech St Upon arrival all was quiet.
 0215 initiated - Repossession Location/address: Norwest Dr Revoked for insurance. N664 removed plates.
 0459 911 - Breaking and entering Location/address: Dollar Tree - Walpole St Employee reports when they arrived this morning they found the safe had been broken into. N667, n664 and Det. Brown responded.
 0610 phone - Assist citizen assisted party Location/address: 47 Chapel St - Chapel St Caller states she believes someone was in her apartment last night. N669 and 663 responding. Officers checked the home and found no

Police Logs

signs of entry.
 0717 911 - Report of fight spoken to Location/address: Walpole St Caller reports men who pulled up in a box truck were beating on a male party in front of building. N665, n663 responded and spoke with men unloading truck. They stated they had a minor altercation with a party that since left and do not wish to pursue it any further.
 1152 cellular - Well being chk spoken to Location/address: Washington St + Day St Report w/m, grey hair, glasses, tan jacket, jeans, walking in middle of street, yelling, last seen passing Cottage St. N677 spoke to him

at MBTA bus stop, he is ok, party known to PD.
 1619 911 - Drunk person area search negative Location/address: Phillips Ave + Walpole St Caller reported intoxicated males in the area. Officers searched area, nothing found.
 1956 phone - Found syringe services rendered Location/address: Papa Gino's Nahatan - Nahatan St Officer disposed of found syringe.

Wednesday Nov. 12

0303 initiated - Drunk person protective custody Location/address: Central St + E Vernon St N664 reports an intoxicated male. N667 responded. As a result, no one answering door at his residence. N664 Returned with party in protective custody.
 0346 initiated - B & E of motor vehicle arrest(s) made Location/address: Buckminster Dr N667 spots suspicious party around a vehicle. N664 responded. As a result of speaking with male party, n667 returns with same under arrest for B&E to vehicle. (MA. Reg# 961hc7) Arrest: Zablocki, Brenden S Address: 58 Churchill Dr Norwood Dob: 05/15/1994 Charges: b&e vehicle/boat nighttime felony
 0441 phone - Susp vehicle gone on arrival Location/address: Pams Market - Pleasant St Caller reports there is a car running in lot next to Pam's Market for past half hour. N669, n665 responded and checked the area. Unable to locate.

0543 phone - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: Lyman Pl Caller reports noise coming from construction at the DPW
 0845 phone - Susp person Location/address: Nichols St Caller reports MA pc 474es8 in driveway. Male at door claiming to be Constable.
 0846 radio - Fuel spill/leak State DPW/Norwood DPW Location/address: Walpole St + Bond St NFD requests police for a diesel spill. Units close Bond St. From Walpole to Parkway. DPW handled same.

1055 phone - Larceny Location/address: Walpole St Report jewelry missing.
 1116 initiated - Assaults complaint/summons Location/address: Norwood High School - Nichols St N679, as S.R.O, receives information about an assault. As a result n679 to file a complaint application and report. Juvenile arrest Age: 15 Charges: A&B

1136 phone - Susp vehicle spoken to Location/address: Cypress St + Lincoln St Report MApc 5fyd40 parked here for two hours, and has also been seen here the last two days. N669 reports it is a P.I.
 1208 other - Warrant of apprehension arrest(s) made Location/address: Forrest Ave N669 places subject under arrest and transports directly to Dedham District Court.

1226 phone - Threats Location/address: Velocity Sports Performance - Morgan Dr Threats made via voice mail.
 1325 911 - Pedestrian accident Location/address: Valvoline Instant Oil Change - Everett St N443, on private detail, received a report of a woman lying in the road. NFD sent. N678, responds while on another assignment,

and reports it as a pedestrian accident.

1500 phone - Larceny Location/address: Kennedy Public House - Bos-Prov Hwy Report employee theft.

1848 initiated - Susp person spoken to Location/address: Town Hall - Washington St Officer out with a suspicious party. Subject checked ok.

2131 initiated - Warrant service services rendered Location/address: Orleans Rd Officer attempted to serve warrant. No one home.

2156 phone - Noise complaint spoken to Location/address: St John Ave Caller reported loud car work. Officer spoke with party, advised.

Thursday Nov.13

0504 phone - Susp activity building checked/secured Location/address: Stiles (Water Works) - Pleasant St Delivery driver reports upon arrival he found the locked gate open and the overhead doors wide open. n669, n677 responded and n669 stoodby for keyholder who was notified and responding. The company owner arrived and walked threw the building with the officer. Everything was in order and the owner was satisfied.

0804 911 - Well being chk spoken to Location/address: Washington St Report male sleeping in the hallway, not a resident. N663 reports subject left, known to pd.

1307 phone - Lost and found Location/address: McDonalds - Broadway St Manager reports bicycle in the rear of the lot for past week. N665 confiscates same.

1456 phone - Susp activity gone on arrival Location/address: Allied Auto Parts Co - Washington St Report that a w/m, tall, short hair, black shirt, black 3/4 length pants, talking on cell phone, tried the door handle on an infinity parked in the lot, left towards Dean Street.

1525 phone - Well being chk spoken to Location/address: Nahatan St Bus driver for the Oldham School reports no one home, brings children back to school. Wellbeing check requested by the Oldham. Upon officers arrival, principal reports mother is on the way to pick up children at the Oldham. Officer confirms with the principal who has already been in contact with D.C.F.

1535 phone - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: Prospect St + Pine St Report yesterday between 1450-1510 hrs, MA. pc 14gf94 was parked here, male operator claiming he was taking pictures of airplanes but caller did not observe any in area. N667 Spoke to caller and confirmed that the he was taking pictures of airplanes.

1837 phone - Kids gathering no violation Location/address: VFW 2452 - Dean St Caller reports a large group of teenagers gathering behind building. Units spoke with the subjects, there is a function going on. No violation.

2229 phone - Unwanted party services rendered Location/address: Hillside Ave Owner who was not on scene requests that three subjects be removed from

his apartment while he is away. He reports that one of his friends is allowed to stay, but the others must Leave. N665 spoke every-one at this address, they will leave the apartment.

Friday Nov. 14

0028 phone - Disturbance Location/address: Norwest Dr Caller reported possible fight in progress. N663, n662, N669, n664 responded. 1 female under arrest and transported to station via n662 starting milage 4557 ending 4558. 1 male placed into protective custody transported to station via N669. 14-799-ar & 14-800-ar. 1 vehicle towed by Center Auto, Ma reg 1gk396. Arrest: R Ruiz, Eliset L Address: 285 Dean St Norwood Dob: 10/19/1972 Charges: A&B on police officer Resist arrest Disorderly conduct

1644 walk-in - Malicious damage Location/address: Norwood Police Dept. - Nahatan St Walk in party reports that her vehicle was keyed in the train station parking lot last night.

1753 initiated - Warrant service arrest(s) made Location/address: Washington St + St James Ave One male juvenile arrested on a default warrant. N677 Transports to station s/m 6625 em 6626. N677 and b457 Transport prisoner to Brockton alternate juvenile lockup. Juvenile arrest Age: 18 Charges: warrant arrest

2022 phone - B & E of motor vehicle area search negative Location/address: Friendly Restaurant - Bos-Prov Hwy Manager reports that someone was trying to B&E vehicles in the parking lot. Units searched the area, but could not locate.

2232 phone - Malicious damage gone on arrival Location/address: Tremont St Caller reports that a group of teenagers came onto her property and smashed her pumpkins. Calling party spoken and area searched.

2334 phone - Kids gathering gone on arrival Location/address: Nichols St + Harrow Rd Caller reports a loud group of teenagers in the street.

Saturday Nov.15

0044 phone - Missing person Location/address: Norwood Group Home - Winter St Missing female from group home. N665 responded. Report filed and entered into leaps.

0226 phone - Suicide / or threat Location/address: Norwest Dr 0904 phone - Power outage electric/light dpt notifi Location/address: 63 - Garfield Ave Transformer exploded. NFD, ELD handled same.

1304 radio - Motor vehicle accident arrest(s) made Location/address: Washington St + E Hoyle St N665 discovers an accident on Washington @ E. Hoyle. As a Result one placed under arrest transported to the station by N662. Center Auto to tow ma reg ne28dl. Arrest: Hooper, Douglas R Jr Address: 34 Queensboro Ct Norwood Dob: 06/11/1971 Charges: oui liquor or .08% Marked lanes violation

1816 phone - Susp activity spoken to Location/address: Marlboro St

2053 phone - Susp vehicle spoken to Location/address: Robinwood Rd Teens parked in front of the house. Officer reports one teen pulled over to

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** in **ROOM 12** of the **Municipal Office Building** on **December 2, 2014 at 7:15 PM** on the request of **Kim E. Brooks (Cases #14-27)** with respect to property located on **60 Bellevue Avenue**, in a **S2-Single Residential District**.

The application requests:
 This Application requests a Special Permit under Sections 5.4 and 5.4.4 of the Zoning Bylaw to allow construction of a two-story addition, approximately 13' x 30' to a pre-existing, non conforming single family home having less lot area, frontage, front setback, lot width and side yard setback than currently required. The two-story addition will be located in the rear, replacing an existing 13' x 15' deck and continue the second level above the current structure, staying within the existing footprint, allowing a 9.3' side yard setback.
 And, any other relief that the Board may deem necessary.
 Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeal and may be viewed during normal working hours Monday - Thursday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM.
 BOARD OF APPEAL
 Philip W. Riley , Chairman; Patrick J. Mulvehill, Harry T. Spence, Barbara A. Kinter, John R. Perry
 Norwood Record, 11/13/2014, 11/20/2014

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 REQUEST FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES**

The Norwood Housing Authority is seeking qualifications from qualified Mechanical Engineers to provide investigation, preparation of plans and specifications, bidding and construction administration for the replacement of six gas fired boilers for the six two story apartment buildings each with sixteen apartments at the Authority's Kevin F. Maguire Federal Elderly development. The selected designer will be required to be currently registered in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and shall have a minimum of three years proven experience in public bid construction work. The estimated construction cost is \$300,000.00. The fee is too be negotiated not to exceed \$18,000.00. Application material may be obtained on or after November 19, 2014 from the Norwood Housing Authority located at 40 William Shyne Circle, Norwood, MA 02062. Copies may be picked-up between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday thru Friday. Four (4) copies of the Designer Selection Board Application and four (4) company brochures must be submitted by 10:00 AM on December 5, 2014 at the above address. In a sealed envelope marked "Proposal for Design Services for Boiler Replacement - Contract NHA-109-01-14. The Authority shall have the right to reject any and all proposals or parts thereof, or items therein, and to waive any defect of irregularities as to form, therein in accordance with MGL.
 Stephen W. Merritt, Executive Director
 Norwood Record, 11/20/14

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make a call.
2310 phone - Report of fight arrest(s) made
Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Patient fighting with staff and security outside of the elevator unit 31 3 rd floor. Subject restrained and charges filed.

Sunday Nov.16

0738 phone - Noise complaint services rendered
Location/address: Walpole St Caller reported loud contractors. Officer reported no bylaw violation.
0816 phone - Disturbance Location/address:

Norwood Hospital - Washington St Report combative patient and family members.
0829 walk-in - Susp person spoken to Location/address: Neponset St Party in lobby reports she feels that the male in MA pc 68hg61 is following her around. N678 spoke to all parties.
0842 911 - Disturbance transported to hospital Location/address: Respite House - Beacon Ave Staff reports combative client. NFD transported to hospital. N679 reports no assault.
0847 walk-in - Assist citizen services rendered Location/address: Brewster Dr Mother in

lobby reports she has sole custody of children and person minding them will not let her take them back. N662 spoke to all parties, children will be allowed to go with the mother, if not, she will recall the police.
1450 phone - Violation of town bylaw spoken to Location/address: David Ter Report resident blew leaves onto street. N662 spoke to him, he will pick up same.
1530 phone - Drug law violation Location/address: Norwood Hospital - Washington St Report visitor tried to give illegal drugs to patient.

Monday Nov.17

0852 phone - Report of gas leak fire dept noti-

fied/respo Location/address: Professional Flooring - Carnegie Row Report odor of natural gas inside building.
1321 phone - Citizens complaint Location/address: St Catherine of Sienna School - Nahatan St Report incident on the bus this morning.
1448 phone - Harassment Location/address: Hampden Dr + Worcester Dr Party reports being yelled at by the bus stop.
1606 phone - Serve summons legal service made Location/address: Plymouth Dr Successful service.
1607 phone - Susp activity no violation Location/address: Pellana Rd Caller reports back door open. No side of forced entry.

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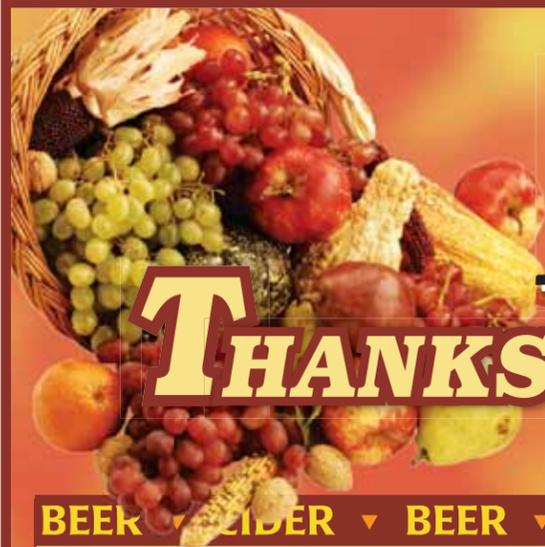
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