



About 15 students spoke in support of the Norwood High School Latin program last week, but the School Committee members said they felt they had little choice but to cut the program.

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School Committee reluctantly recommends cutting Latin

Dozens of students protest

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood School Committee met on March 5 and voted 4-1, with member Joan Giblin opposed, to recommend the Tier 1 budget cuts already discussed at the previous meeting.

Norwood is facing a structural budget deficit, and the Norwood Budget Balancing Committee has asked both the Town Administration and the Public Schools District (NPS) – which govern how almost all municipal funds are allocated and spent – to reduce their budgets as much as they can. Both Town Manager Tony

Mazzucco and NPS Superintendent Timothy Luff have presented their harshest budget cuts, represented as Tier 1 budgets.

For the schools, Tier 1 represents about \$800,000 in cuts. The structural deficit is so large that even with these cuts and those proposed on the Town side the budget will still need about \$7 million of free cash to balance.

Free cash is basically money left over from the budget, either because of unforeseen revenues – in this case building permits from the FM Global and Moderna projects – or unexpected decreases in expenses. The Town currently has about

\$20 million in free cash. The \$7 million spent will not significantly reduce the deficit, and by the year after next, both the Town and schools will have to reduce services significantly or Norwood will need to propose a budget override.

School Committee members emphasized that they do not want a budget override.

The Tier 1 cuts included cutting teacher Moriah Holmes who teaches Latin 1 and 2. A crowd of students, parents and Holmes herself came to the meeting before the budget discussion to advocate

Latin Cut

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The site of Home Market Foods, which has been reducing its trucking impact on the area.

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Moderna halts Forbes renovation

Home Market truck plan approved

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Planning Board met and voted unanimously to accept both an expansion plan for Home Market Foods' trucks to park and a master plan for the Moderna Complex at 1 Moderna Way.

First, the Home Market Foods building, at 140 Morgan Dr., has been the subject of much controversy over the years with trucks parking, idling and creating traffic and congestion at the site. Many complaints have been filed against the company because of trucks parking along Morgan Drive and Astor Avenue.

That's also not mentioning the multiple alarm fires reported at the site and the hazardous material leak of ammonia that killed worker Richard Arguin in 2022 (<https://tinyurl.com/3w6uu6jx>). The Planning Board (<https://tinyurl.com/35k2wfe7>) at that time approved a plan from Home Market Foods for wastewater treatment, as well as four truck parking spots and a plan to park excess trucks waiting to pick up or drop off materials.

The Board approved those changes then, but now the plan asks for reduced car parking to accommodate additional truck

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20 Vernon Street construction could start next year

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Caritas Communities LLC stated this week that it is currently looking at a comfortable construction date for the 20 Vernon St. veterans' affordable housing building.

Town Meeting voted in October to appropriate \$800,000 in Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds to aid in the purchasing of the property, which was confirmed sold on Jan. 28 at \$1.6 million. Caritas Execu-

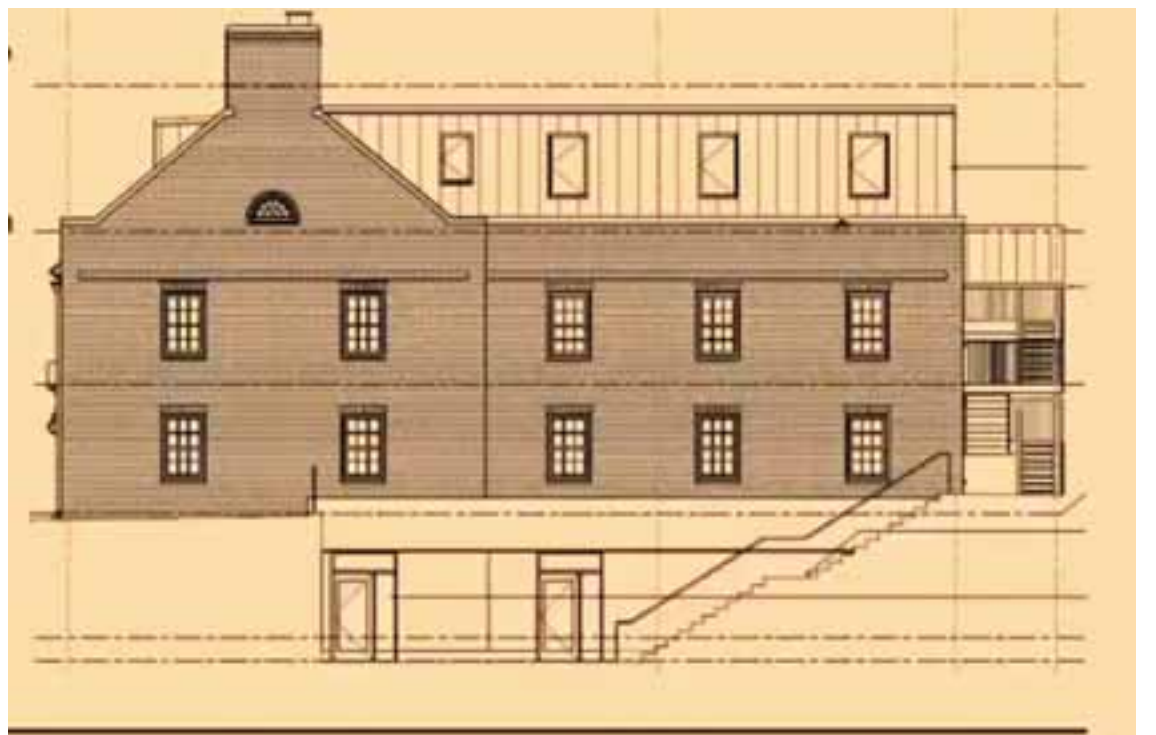
tive Director Frank Connell and Director of Real Estate Greg Rittchen said the company used bridge loans to purchase the property and would pay those off with the CPA money and state funding.

"The progress is moving along," Rittchen said. "We acquired it on Jan. 28, as planned, and we used a bridge loan to acquire it with our state funding in process. That's lined up."

Rittchen and Connell said

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Caritas representatives said they're hopeful for a 2026 construction start date.

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The NepRWA water quality report from 2024, which showed areas in the Neponset River safe for swimming in green and areas safe for boating in yellow.

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Neponset River water improvements tangible

Kwot Anwey
Staff Reporter

In a collaboration between the Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA) and the X-Cel Conservation Corps, the annual Neponset River water quality update was delivered on Thursday, March 6. The event was hybrid, drawing 40 people total in attendance.

NepRWA is a nonprofit orga-

nization founded in 1967 whose mission is to ensure that the Neponset River and its watersheds—which is an area of land where all the water flows to the same body—is “clean, healthy, accessible”, according to the 2024 report.

The water quality of a body of water is determined by E. Coli levels, serving as a gauge for the amount of fecal contamination. According to the 2024 report, con-

tamination may be a result of animal waste, leaky sewers, failure of septic systems and illegal discharge into storm drain systems. Water quality standards have three tiers: safe to swim (<235 CFU/100mL), safe to boat (<1260 CFU/100mL) and unsafe for human recreational use (>1260 CFU/100mL). Urban sites that are

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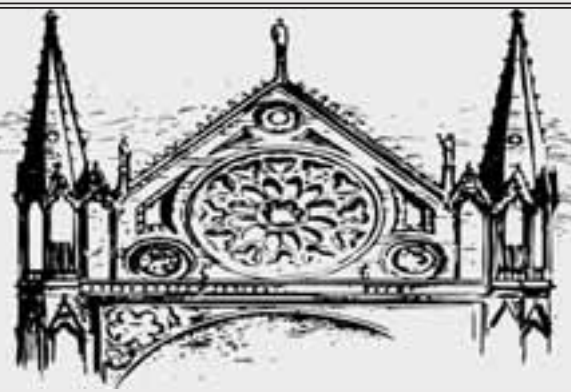
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BOS reviews hospital progress and Impact Norwood initiatives

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday and discussed the ongoing effort around finding an operator to take over the Norwood Hospital.

For those unaware, the Norwood Hospital closed due to unprecedented rainfall and flooding in June of 2020. Since then, the hospital's operator, Steward, has imploded and the landlord for the hospital site, Medical Properties Trust (MPT), has been finishing up the outside of the building – to protect from the elements that had previously been damaging it due to Steward's inability or unwillingness to pay its contractors. – MPT is looking for an operator.

The Town has put together a task force of public officials, residents and other advocates to try to speed that process up. Norwood has started a website, FinishtheJobNorwood.com, as a hub for these efforts. Town Manager Tony Mazzucco said the website's letter-writing campaign has already seen a good uptick from residents, and the work to organize municipalities and residents from other municipalities affected by the closure continues.

"We need those numbers to go up," he said. "We're building out the community organizing piece, and so we have a group of folks who are looking forward to doing some organizing in towns across the region. I know a number of folks have reached out about volunteering; if we haven't gotten back to everybody at

some point we will. We're just trying to get started and put the right pieces in the right places. More to come, the banner is up and it's pretty prominently displayed."

Mazzucco said he is hosting a Coffee and Conversation event at the Norwood Senior Center on Thursday, March 13 at 10 a.m. Residents wishing to sign up can do so by calling 781-762-1201 ext. 5. He added any groups looking to host similar events should reach out to his office.

"It's been good; I've had two or three hospital-related calls just today so it feels like things are finally starting to move," he said.

In other news, Impact Norwood Prevention Coalition representatives came by the Board to update members on the group's activities and initiatives, which are focused on stopping youth substance abuse. Impact Program Director Conor Brosnan and Program Coordinator Robert Blood discussed upcoming events the group is holding, along with outreach programs with the youth.

Brosnan said the group has been operating for eight years now and has two years left on its Centers for Disease Control (CDC) grant. Selectman Matt Lane pointed out the grant runs out in 2027 and said the Town would look to continue the program. "It would be a shame to just have those (programs) suddenly cut off, which I don't think we would do, but anything we could do to keep this going, I think we should do," Lane said.

Brosnan said the group focuses on "meeting students

where they are," and that the group hosts slews of events all around Town and virtually to get the biggest participation. "The students really drive what we do and what we work on," he said. "They know a lot better about what's happening in the schools and what kids will react to. They're a lot cooler than Bob and I are, and so we really look to them to run a lot of the public service announcements and programs we do."

Grade 6-12 Wellness Coordinator at the Norwood Public Schools Ryan Quigley said Impact helps to fund the Metro West Adolescent Health Survey, which surveys youth in schools around the region. He said for Norwood, all metrics are down in their data, which he said is encouraging.

In the Coakley Middle School (CMS), lifetime alcohol use is reported down 4.9 percent from 2018 to 2023 and 19 percent down in the Norwood High School (NHS) over the same period. CMS lifetime cannabis use is down .8 percent in CMS and 14 percent in the High School, vaping use is down 9.3 percent in CMS and 26.6 percent in NHS, and binge drinking in the past 30 days is down .1 percent and 6.7 percent respectively. Current alcohol use in the last 30 days since taking the survey is down .3 percent at the middle school and 10 percent

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they believe a safe bet for commencing construction would be 2027, but added that they are hopeful Caritas can start building next year. Rittchen said the project is in a really good place. “As you may know, in real estate there is always something,” Rittchen said. “It’s never as straightforward as you want it to be, but thus far, we haven’t seen any big surprises.”

Rittchen said while he’s hopeful they can continue this trend, there is always a chance for something to go wrong. “The likelihood is that this could take a while, and not because of anything in our control, but really because a lot of the state funding is just over-subscribed right now, particularly for affordable housing projects,” he said. “If you look at a likely source of the deal, like tax-exempt bonds, they’re taking longer to get to closing than they ever have. Part of that is there were a lot of deals delayed by Covid, and it all came through at once as Covid subsided. But because it is a smaller project, I do think we’ll be able, based on feedback

from the state agencies, to close on construction in 2026 and ground break at some point in 2026.”

Rittchen said they feel the project is in good standing with the state and should move along quickly, just how quickly is the question. “Not all projects at the acquisition stage are as ready as this one is,” he said. “We already, obviously, are fully zoned and we’ve got Planning Board approvals. We’re already moving past design development and into construction drawings. The local match from Norwood, which we are incredibly grateful for, makes the project much more viable financially, as well as with the state funding. They like to see a healthy local match as well.”

Rittchen said he understands some folks may not feel a couple of years is a quick turnaround on this kind of project, but said the way regular folks measure time and the way a construction project measures time are two very different things.

“To most people, that sounds like a long timeline,” he said. “But for us that’s like a

sprint to the finish. Most of these projects take longer than that.”

Rittchen said, for example, they had a project in Quincy at 46-50 Winter St. that closed in 2023. “And I’m not expecting that to close and ground break until sometime next year,” he said. “If it’s 2027 for Norwood, I would still be satisfied, but we got feedback from the state that it could be as early as 2026. So fingers crossed. It’s not a done deal, and it’s not over until it’s over.”

Rittchen said they have a team set up already, with Curtis Construction drawing up the construction documents, Kelly Engineering for the civil engineering and Studio NDP heading up the architecture side of things.

“We have a really great team which I think is so important on a project like this,” he said.

Rittchen said Caritas wants to keep in touch with the Town as they move the project forward. “The goal is, obviously, to be completely transparent and communicate well with the Town, which has been really supportive and happy with how the project has been going,” he said.

The pair said they have not seen any negative changes from the current pruning on funds the federal government is going through now. “But from our perspective, I’m not concerned at this time,” Rittchen said.

“It was not very subtle in the sorts of things they were looking for,” said Connell. “It does not at this point seem like affordable housing is on the list. That coupled with the fact that there’s nothing we can really do about it, I think our best option is to continue to be cautiously optimistic and try to proceed as best as possible with the work we’re doing.”

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queuing lanes and improvements to vehicle circulation on the site, as requested by the Norwood Fire Department (NFD). Level Design Group’s Dan Campbell spoke during the proceedings representing Home Market Foods and said the team originally met with the Board in January, where he said then that they had submitted the parking plan and had received comments concerning public safety and congestion.

He said that Home Market was now planning to install additional connections for the fire department and additional safety measures to alleviate safety concerns from NFD, which included adding more roof access around the site (one fire started in the ventilation ducts of the building), moving the processed oil out of the building and to the rear of the site, and putting the boiler outside of the building.

Campbell said the original site approvals had less parking than what is usually required by the Zoning Bylaw, and this further reduction for trucks is mostly what needs the special permit approval. He said they are looking at three new tractor trailer spaces, and will be putting in a cable guardrail for those spaces to prevent trucks from going into the nearby wetland (as requested by the Conservation Department). Campbell said the cable guardrail would stop a truck going up to 60 miles per hour, which may be hard for one to envision in the small industrial/commercial park.

Campbell said they would also be looking to store snow onsite as they have done in the past, and if they get something like the 2015 or the Blizzard of '78, they would pay for snow removal. Campbell said they would have 219 vehicle parking spaces on the lot at the end of the day.

Board members were still wary of trucks backing up in the Vanderbilt Avenue Park, as that has been an ongoing concern for more than a decade. Campbell said they have not had one complaint in a full year. Planning Director Sarah Dixon said that kind of enforcement is up to the Norwood Police Department – which Campbell said they have paid for detail work to ensure truck drivers do what they’re supposed to do – however the Board could issue additional conditions of approval for the special permit to increase incentives for cooperation.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the proposal.

In other news, the Board voted to approve the Site Plan Review for the Moderna Complex at 1 Moderna Way.

Dixon said in this case, the plan was mostly an update that recognized what had already been accomplished. Moderna Associate Director of Environmental Health and Safety Josh Ames and Kelly Engineering’s Dave Mackwell reviewed what has been done and also what had been planned but has not come to fruition (at least not yet).

Mackwell said basically there were three projects and several modifications to the site that did not go through site plan review and Moderna wanted to correct that. Dixon said that these modifications had their own approvals and oversight and did not have the conditions to trigger any site plan review. She emphasized that this was not asking forgiveness for any zoning violations, more like crossing T’s and dotting I’s so that future plans will not run into any hiccups with a mix-and-match approach.

“Through dealing with the Planning Board and Town Meeting, I think that the planning staff and some people within the Town were expecting more developments that would encompass more developments to tie it all together,” said Mackwell. “Since that never happened, the planning staff rightly pointed out that Moderna’s been making several changes on the campus that required permits, but nobody’s come to see the Town in a comprehensive manner for the entire site.”

Mackwell said this site plan is the required update. These updates included several items already approved – like the fire access road originally set with permeable pavers that the Norwood Fire Department had them take out – but what might be more interesting are the things the plan no longer contains.

Mackwell said Moderna apparently had plans for two large buildings, a warehouse, a bridge to connect two buildings and more. “Over the last year or so those projects were halted,” he said. “In addition, the Forbes Mansion was targeted to become Moderna University with major additions and renovation. But as far as I know that project is also on hold. There were plans for another office building too but that never got off the ground.”

Mackwell said throughout the process they also inventoried and cataloged every bush and tree on the site. Ames pointed out that this is just the area occupied by Moderna, and did not include the protected and forested area just southeast of the site.

Mackwell also went through the recent projects that took place on the site since the pandemic that were not updated in the Site Plan Review permit, which included the security kiosks, the privatization of the area, the use of modular trailers as buildings for work or construction, the creation of a truck route, the creation of a biobank, roadway access, new landscaping, new electrical service and more.

The Planning Board voted unanimously to approve the new site plan.

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BY: Tony Mazzucco,
General Manager

Norwood Record: 03/13/25

Get your trees here in Norwood

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Town of Norwood is participating in a tree giveaway to any interested and/or qualifying resident this year as part of a state climate resiliency grant program.

Assistant Community Development Director Ilex Jones said the program is designed to help increase tree canopy in the Town and spread out the benefits such efforts provide. All you need is a yard, and renters and homeowners can apply. To sign up, go to <https://forms.gle/uj3gLZRkQHv6AtR6>

As of the date of publication, Jones said they have already given away almost 100 trees. "You don't have to be the owner of the property, you just need to have a yard and, of course, the owner's permission," Jones said. "And you need to commit to watering the tree for the first two years."

Jones said the tree giveaway is being funded through this year's round of the Massachusetts Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness grant program, and added that this year is centered on climate resiliency.

"It really is promoting climate resiliency every year, but this year there are three different initiatives we wrapped into the grant program," Jones said.

The tree program allows residents of Norwood to get one

free tree in a seven-to-ten-gallon bucket, which is something most folks are capable of planting.

"Having more trees planted is an immediate and ongoing environmental benefit to Norwood in a number of areas, including water quality," Jones said, adding trees will help reduce the amount of flooding in Town as well. "In the summertime, they also reduce how hot it gets on an individual property and on a neighborhood scale."

Jones said the trees are anywhere from four-to-six-foot tall and three-quarter-inch caliper, so most people would be able to handle them, and added the application asks if any resident is willing to help someone who cannot plant a tree themselves to volunteer.

"It's actually a pretty cool part of the program because part of our goal and part of climate resiliency and all community resiliency – whether it's a natural disaster or a pandemic – the resiliency of our community is all about our relationships with each other and how we're able to support each other," Jones said.

Jones said the program is working with wholesale nursery Cavicchio Greenhouses to prioritize fruit and food-bearing trees as part of a state initiative to make locally-grown food-stuffs more widely available.

"A state study that came out


about 18 months ago actually predicted that one of the impacts of Climate Change in our region is going to potentially be food insecurity," Jones said. "Like if supply chains are disrupted or agriculture is disrupted, that's something we're thinking about as an impact really. Just trying to bolster resilient supply chains for essential items. You can't really get a smaller supply chain than being able to pick apples from a tree in your yard."

Jones said the actual giveaway will be logistically intense, and said the biggest question from residents so far has been what species are available and which they should try to plant for the best results.

"We had a list of trees in the fall that looked like they would be appropriate, but we're going to have to follow up with each

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This Application requests a **Special Permit** pursuant to Zoning Bylaw **Section 5.4** to construct an addition to the rear of the existing residence that would increase the habitable floor area by more than 25%. The structure is pre-existing non-conforming in frontage and left side setback, and lot area.

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

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

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON TREE REMOVAL

In accordance with **Section 3 of Chapter 87 of the Massachusetts General Laws**, notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held on **Thursday, March 20th at 9:30 am in the Department of Public Works Conference Room located at 1 Lyman Place**, on the cutting and removal of a 30-foot maple tree located on the **southerly side of Day Street in front of House #99 Day St.** The purpose of this tree removal is for safety purposes.

All persons interested in the foregoing are hereby notified that they may be present and heard at said meeting, if they so desire.

Norwood Tree Warden

Norwood Record: 03/06/25, 03/13/25

Public Hearing Notice
Norwood Planning Board

In accordance with the requirements of **Mass. General Law Chapter 40A Section 5**, notice is hereby given that the Town of Norwood Planning Board will hold a **Public Hearing on April 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street** and remotely via Google Meet.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on the draft Zoning Bylaw amendment to **Section 3.16, Footnote 13 [Note to Table of Use Regulations]**. The proposed amendment would clarify that multifamily residential use is permitted only within the Mixed Use Overlay Districts located within the Boston Providence Highway zoning district.

The draft Zoning Bylaw amendment is on file in the Community Development Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours, by emailing comdev@norwoodma.gov, or viewed on the Planning Board's webpage located at: <http://www.norwoodma.gov/>

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The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on the draft **Zoning Bylaw amendments to Section 3 [Use Regulations], subsection F.9 [Service Establishments – Commercial and Personal Kennels]**. The proposed amendments would prohibit commercial and personal kennels in the MBTA Communities Multifamily Overlay District (MCMOD).

The draft Zoning Bylaw amendments are on file in the Community Development Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours, by emailing comdev@norwoodma.gov, or viewed on the Planning Board's webpage located at: <http://www.norwoodma.gov/>

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Norwood Record: 03/06/25, 03/13/25

NORWOOD HOUSING AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR ON-CALL PLUMBING AND HEATING SERVICES

Project Number: NHA-2025-P

The Norwood Housing Authority invites written quotes from Plumbing and Heating Companies that have been in the business for at least five years in Massachusetts to provide On Call, or as needed Plumbing and Heating Installation and Repair Services. The successful bidder will be required to sign a contract with the Authority for a period of one-year beginning April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026, with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year periods, for a maximum total of three years. The renewal of any consecutive year is at the sole discretion of the Authority. The contract price for each year is a fixed price equal to the pricing for recurring services established on the attached Form for Quote as well as an estimate for repairs based on the hourly pricing provided on the bid submitted. It is anticipated that the total year contract value will be approximately \$50,000.00. Heating work under this contract is not exclusive. Any single job estimated to cost \$10,000.00 or more will be bid separate from this contract.

The Contractor shall provide all tools and materials for plumbing and heating installation and repair services needed by the Authority in accordance with Massachusetts & Local Codes, and in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and recommendations, to carry out the work required under this request.

An electronic copy of the bid documents may be obtained on March 13, 2025 at 11:00 am at: www.norwoodha.org under news & announcements.

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

BIDS must be received before Thursday, March 27, 2025 at 2:00 P.M. The Norwood Housing Authority will not accept or review bids received after the designated submission deadline.

BIDS should be mailed, or delivered to Norwood Housing Authority, 40 William Shyne Circle, Norwood, Massachusetts 02062 and received no later than the date and time specified above in a sealed envelope marked "PLUMBING BID – 2025- 2026"

Site Visit: Sample Units may be seen if desired on Thursday March 20, 2025 at 1:00 P.M. starting at 40 William Shyne Circle, Norwood, MA 02062

Questions by email should be directed to Gary Kuphalat kguphal@norwoodha.org.

Norwood Record: 03/13/25

Latin Cut *continued from page 1*

for her position and all made impassioned speeches about what Latin has meant to them during their education. But unfortunately, committee members felt they had little choice.

"Of a terrible decision, this would be the least worst option potentially because of enrollment numbers," said member Kate Sibbing-Dunn.

Sibbing-Dunn offered an amendment that if there is any savings found later, they would keep the Latin course. Chair Anne Marie Mazzolla said unfortunately, despite the budget cuts they have to make, Latin was considered to be cut regardless because of the low enrollment.

Parents and students explained why there is low enrollment. Students did not take a lot of Latin during the COVID-19 pandemic as extra help was harder to get, and that the district doesn't offer it at the middle school level, which affects students' familiarity with the course.

"And while we're on the topic, I want to share that I don't take this lightly," Mazzolla said. "My own daughter had four years of Latin at Norwood High and had Ms. Holmes. She was in the Latin Club and did the National Latin Exam and was supposed to go to Italy in 2020."

Mazzolla emphasized that this was not an indictment of Holmes' work.

Member Joan Giblin decided to vote against the Tier 1 cuts and said instead they needed to look at cutting extracurricular activities before classes. Giblin suggested increasing fees, which she said were lower than those of surrounding municipalities.

Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations Sean Mannion said they would need a year to figure out fees due to the many formulas based on how many extracurriculars a student takes and their economic status. The committee seemed amenable to doing that next year.

Giblin and Mazzolla discussed the seeming incongruity that the district offers a great number of musical programs and is not looking at cutting music programs.

"As we're talking about cutting core academic functions, I'm wondering why we're not looking at cutting extracurriculars instead," Giblin said. "That's the philosophical bent I'm coming from."

Member Teresa Stewart said she felt the position the committee was in now was because they had not been properly informed by the previous administration.

"A School Committee is only as good as the data it's given by its administration. Our current administration centrally and at the high school have given us amazing data and transparency," she said. "Unfortunately, that is not always what we got in the past – from the central administration, not the high school, the high school has always been transparent – this issue should have been elevated to the School Committee level last year, and the year before. It didn't mean it didn't exist, it just meant it wasn't elevated in the budget process when it should have been."

Stewart said that either the data wasn't given to the super-

intendent in the last two years – that's around the budget and the Latin courses – or the administration didn't feel it should be shared.

"I don't want to cut anything, I never do; student voice and choice is so important to me and always has been at every level," she said. "Really, at a secondary level whether it's a career, trade, or college, there are so many pathways and I wish we could support every single choice for every single student. But public education is not set up that way. The funding doesn't allow it, and I will talk about legislative advocacy later, but I spent over an hour on Monday talking with State Rep. (John) Rogers and State Sen. (Michael) Rush trying to get more money. I know everybody at the high school... they have come before us consistently asking for our support to protect the pathways and protect fine arts, to protect activities, world languages and the sciences, so many things."

Stewart said she took Latin herself and understands how much it means to the students. "I am so blown away by the student advocacy tonight," she said. "No matter what the committee decides I don't want our students, staff or parents to feel that your events have gone unnoticed, because you are amazing."

"I think that due to federal decisions that are coming, we will be looking at needing to reduce an additional \$400,000 from our budget by the end of the year," she said. "I hope I am wrong, but that's where I think we are going. That's all of Tier 2, and increasing fees."

The committee voted 4-1 in favor of the Tier 1 cuts with Giblin opposed.

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**NORWOOD HOUSING AUTHORITY
REQUEST FOR QUOTES FOR ON - CALL ELECTRICAL SERVICES**

Project Number NHA – 2025 - E

The Norwood Housing Authority (the Awarding Authority) invites written quotes from qualified licensed electrical contractors to provide on-call electric services as specified in the enclosed documents. The successful bidder will be required to sign a contract with the Authority for a period of one-year beginning April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026, with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year periods, for a maximum total of three years. The renewal of any consecutive year is at the sole discretion of the Authority. The contract price for each year is a fixed price equal to the pricing for recurring services established on the attached Form for Quote as well as an estimate for repairs based on the hourly pricing provided on the bid submitted.

The Project consists of: Electrical services at property owned by the Authority in Norwood, Massachusetts. The work will include repair work and new installation for projects up to \$20,000.00. The Authority has 481 apartments spread over (5) five locations all in the Norwood, Massachusetts. Based on previous years invoices the total contract value is anticipated to be less than \$20,000.00.

The Contractor shall provide Massachusetts licensed electricians, electrician's helper(s), materials tools, and supplies (except as noted in these documents) to properly, and in accordance with the Massachusetts Electrical Code, and satisfactory to the Norwood Electrical Inspector necessary to carry on the work under this request.

Quotes are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A(2)(B) & to state prevailing wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 §§26 to 27H inclusive.

An electronic copy of the bid documents may be obtained on March 13, 2025 at 11:00 am at: www.norwoodha.org under news & announcements.

Quotes must be received before Thursday, March 27, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. The Norwood Housing Authority will not accept or review bids received after the designated submission deadline.

Quotes should be mailed, or delivered to **Norwood Housing Authority, 40 William Shyne Circle, Norwood, Massachusetts 02062** and received no later than the date and time specified above in a sealed envelope marked "Norwood Housing Electrical BID – 2025- 2025."

Site Visit: Sample Units may be seen if desired on Thursday, March 20th 2025 at 10:00 A.M. starting at 40 William Shyne Circle, Norwood, MA 02062.

Norwood Record: 03/13/25

Neponset Water *continued from page 2*

nearby roads or other impervious surfaces are more affected by stormwater runoff, according to the report.

NepRWA uses a community water monitoring network of over 50 volunteers once a month from May to October across the 41 sites on the watershed to track the river's health. The data is then used both internally by NepRWA and also sent to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

The results of the 2024 season revealed that the percentage of sites that met E Coli swimming standards had a general upward trend, increasing from roughly 45 percent in May to about 65 percent in October. The vast majority of sites met the boating standards through the season, and the amount of failures to meet either the boating or swimming standards saw fluctuations through the five-month period.

While two sites had a seasonal average of failure, MEB001 and UNB002, 13 sites had a seasonal average of being safe for swimming and 26 sites were on average safe for boating throughout the season.

NepRWA also monitors for phosphorus and dissolved oxygen. Phosphorous is evaluated based on the type of waterbody; according to the report, flowing waters like rivers and streams need to be <0.1mg/L for safety while still waters like lakes and ponds, which are more likely to experience algal blooms due to water stagnation, nutrient availability and sunlight exposure,

need to be <0.025mg/L.

Algal blooms block sunlight which stops photosynthesis for underwater plants, depletes oxygen which then leads to fish dying and increases cyanotoxins—toxic substances that may lead to allergy-like and flu-like symptoms in humans. Blooms may be a result of bank erosion, decomposition of debris like leaves and fertilizer within stormwater runoff.

While the amount of flowing sites that met the phosphorus standard slightly decreased throughout the season, starting at 95 percent and ending around 80 percent in October, the vast majority of still sites consistently failed. In May, roughly 50 percent of still sites met the standard, which quickly fell to 25 percent through June to September, and ended at zero percent in October.

X-Cel Conservation Corps (XCC), which is a branch of the charitable organization X-Cel Education, seeks to give young people the opportunity to work in water management and conservation. The 10-week program includes a work experience component, requiring a full-day work project once a week, an academic component, including classes, practice questions and a cumulative test once a week and a \$300 paid stipend per week. At the end of the program, students are registered for the Massachusetts Grade 3 Municipal Wastewater Operator exam and will pass a final exam mimicking the state test with 80 percent or higher. XCC provides driver's license support to students, aids students in the job

search process after the state exam and also offers Grade 5 and Grade 6 wastewater operator classes.

"For most of these guys, it changes their lives, and I've been around long enough where I've actually seen people's lives changing," said Lisa Holden. "Most of our people that we work with, at least 62 percent of them, when they come into our program, are not even working at all, and so they don't have any job, or they're working security jobs or driving for Uber or Lyft. At least 38 percent of those were making less than \$31,000 a year. Once they get the wastewater license, now they're making an average income of \$52,000 a year with full benefits."

According to Holden, 30 percent of wastewater operators are retiring, fueling the need for younger people in the field. The organization has had 53 successful placements since 2019, with students going on to earn \$24 an hour or more with full benefits. The program has now begun to expand to other cities throughout the state like Springfield and Worcester. XCC, in cooperation with NepRWA since 2019, samples at 5 sites during their work project days in Readville, Milton, Walpole and Sharon, testing E Coli, dissolved oxygen, temperature and pH.

NPRA's next event is an upcoming spring cleanup on Saturday, April 26 from 9am-12pm, scouring different sites along the watershed. For more information and to sign up, visit neponset.org.

Public Hearing Notice Norwood Planning Board

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The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on the draft **Zoning Bylaw amendments to Section 3.1.5.J.2 [Accessory Uses] and Section 11 [Definitions]**. The proposed amendments would allow and define accessory dwelling units as a special residential use as required by state law.

The draft Zoning Bylaw amendments are on file in the Community Development Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours, by emailing comdev@norwoodma.gov, or viewed on the Planning Board's webpage located at: <http://www.norwoodma.gov/>

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The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on the draft **Zoning Bylaw amendments to Section 9.1 [Flood Plain Overlay District]**. The proposed amendments would adopt FEMA's new Flood Insurance Rate Maps and Flood Insurance Study to define the Overlay District boundaries, and update local standards for permitting development in the Floodplain Overlay District (FPOD) to comply with recent changes in regulatory requirements, both state (MA DCR Flood Hazard Management Program) and federal (FEMA National Flood Insurance Program). The proposed amendments are required for Norwood to maintain eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program.

The draft Zoning Bylaw amendments are on file in the Community Development Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours, by emailing comdev@norwoodma.gov, or viewed on the Planning Board's webpage located at: <http://www.norwoodma.gov/>

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department

NORFOLK Division Docket No. NO25P0448PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §5-405

In the matter of: **David K. Cosby** RESPONDENT
Of: **Braintree, MA** (Person to be Protected/Minor)

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **John Scott House Rehab & Nursing Center of Braintree, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **David K. Cosby** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that **Jonathan Davey, Esq. of Quincy, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **With Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that the protective order or appointment of Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **04/02/2025**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, **Hon. Lee M. Peterson, First Justice of this Court**

Date: March 05, 2025
Colleen M. Brierley, Register of Probate

Norwood Record: 03/13/2025

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department

NORFOLK Division Docket No. NO25P0450GD

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the matter of: **David K. Cosby** RESPONDENT
Of: **Braintree, MA** Alleged Incapacitated Person

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **John Scott House Rehab & Nursing of Braintree, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **David K. Cosby** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Jonathan J. Davey, Esq. of Quincy, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed a Guardian to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **04/02/2025**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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Witness, **Hon. Lee M. Peterson, First Justice of this Court.**

Date: February 27, 2025
Colleen M. Brierley, Register of Probate

Norwood Record: 03/13/2025

HOW TO VOTE BY MAIL

Anyone who wishes to vote by mail must complete an application. There are applications available around town: Library, Senior Center, Civic Center, Town Hall, and Light Department. The application is also available on the Town website or residents can call the Town Clerk's office and an application can be mailed to them.

Deadline to apply for a Vote By Mail ballot is Monday, March 31, 2025. No application will be accepted after that date. All ballots must be returned to Town hall on or before Monday, April 7, 2025, by 8:00 PM. Ballots can be dropped off in drop boxes at Town Hall – brown box in front of town hall and blue box in back parking lot. Deadline for Voter Registration: Friday, March 28, 2025 – 5:00 PM.

Any questions, call the Town Clerk's office.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA COMES TO NORWOOD

St. Catherine of Siena Church, 547 Washington St., Norwood will host the International Pilgrim Virgin Statue on Friday, April 4th at 3 pm through Saturday, April 5th, until 9 am. The world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima has visited more than 100 countries bringing Mary's powerful message of salvation and hope to millions of people. You are invited to come and experience the blessings of Our Lady of Fatima during this special statue visitation, sponsored and

coordinated by World Apostolate of Fatima, Boston. www.wafboston.org.

MONTHLY BALLROOM DANCE

Please join the Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging on March 21st from 7-10 p.m. at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood for our monthly Ballroom dance. Music will be provided by Play It Again South Shore and the cost is \$12.00 per person for your dancing pleasure. Coffee, tea, desserts & water are served & there are also door prizes. We look forward to welcoming newcomers of all ages. There is a Facebook page so you can check the status of events offered by the Friends: Friends Of The Norwood Council On Aging | Facebook

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP TO MEET

The South Norfolk Mental Illness Family and Friends Support Group will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 18, at The Grange, 28 Rockwood Road (Route 115) in Norfolk, MA from 7-9 pm. Mask if you will. 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. If the Norwood Public Schools close because of weather, we will also cancel our meeting. For further information call Ray at 508-668-2941.

VFW MEAT RAFFLE IS BACK!

The Norwood V.F.W. Post 2452 on Dean Street in Norwood hosts a Meat Raffle every Saturday from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. The Meat Raffle is open to the Public and everyone is welcome. The price for each Drawing is only \$2.00. Ten Drawings are conducted each Saturday. A Pre-Buy for \$20.00 is available during the week at the Post. This Pre-Buy allows for entrance in all Ten Drawings conducted on Saturday. The winners of the Pre-Buys need not be present to win. The prizes are delectable, delicious, and generous portions of meat and chicken. The Drawings also include a 50/50 Money Raffle. A separate Winner Takes All Raffle is conducted at the end for an additional \$5.00.

The Norwood VFW is located at 193 Dean Street in Norwood. The Meat Raffle will continue every Saturday thru May. The Norwood VFW is looking for new members. Veterans of the Gulf War, and personnel who have served overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan are welcome to visit the post at any time or come to one of the Monthly Meetings which are held on the Fourth Wednesday of each Month from September thru May (Except December).

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 the Norwood Bylaw XXV**, including any amendments thereto on **Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at 7:30 pm**. The meeting will be conducted in-person at the Senior Center at 275 Prospect St. and digitally using Google Meet. Public participation may be accessed through your computer, tablet or smartphone at the following link:

<https://meet.google.com/qxr-awkv-kuj>

or dial: (US) +1 402-627-0114 PIN: 610 701 599 #

The Commission will hear an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation from John Rockwood, Ph. D., SPWS, of EcoTec, Inc., on behalf of Matthew Smith of E. Smith Realty Trust concerning the delineation of Bordering Vegetated Wetland and Intermittent Stream.

Project Location:

Lot 9, Sumner St., Norwood, MA.
Assessors Map 15,
Parcel/Lot Number 01-29.

Carly Rocklen
Conservation Planner

Norwood Record:
03/13/2025

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The Commission will hear a Request for Determination of Applicability from Andrea Coates of the MassDOT Highway Division District 5, on behalf of MassDOT Highway Division District 5, concerning work to locate, by hand-digging, existing stormwater drainage pipes within the MassDOT State Highway Layout by the intersection of Morse St. and Route 1, to survey pipe elevations, in Buffer Zone and wetland.

Project Location:

Intersection of Morse St. and Route 1.

Carly Rocklen
Conservation Planner

Norwood Record:
03/13/2025

Public Hearing Notice Norwood Planning Board

In accordance with the requirements of **Mass. General Law Chapter 40A Section 5**, notice is hereby given that the Town of Norwood Planning Board will hold a **Public Hearing on March 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street and remotely via Google Meet.**

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to accept public comments on the draft **Zoning Bylaw amendments to Section 9.1 [Flood Plain Overlay District]**. The proposed amendments would adopt FEMA's new Flood Insurance Rate Maps and Flood Insurance Study to define the Overlay District boundaries, and update local standards for permitting development in the Floodplain Overlay District (FPOD) to comply with recent changes in regulatory requirements, both state (MA DCR Flood Hazard Management Program) and federal (FEMA National Flood Insurance Program). The proposed amendments are required for Norwood to maintain eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program.

The draft Zoning Bylaw amendments are on file in the Community Development Department at Town Hall and may be reviewed during normal business hours, by emailing comdev@norwoodma.gov, or viewed on the Planning Board's webpage located at: <http://www.norwoodma.gov/>

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You can also dial in using your phone: 1 401-646-2388

PIN: 517 092 088#

Norwood Record:
03/06/25, 03/13/25

Morrill Library Events

MOVIE MATINEE MONDAYS

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to continue our Monday Movie Matinee. The series will run from through April. The films will be shown on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Showtime at 1PM.

If you love movies and want to immerse yourself in unforgettable cinematic experiences, Morrill Memorial Library is the place to be! Join us on the 2nd and 4th Monday afternoons through April to enjoy an eclectic mix of movies. Movie dates are: 3/24, 4/14, 4/28. March movies are: American Fiction (116 mins)-rated R. Thelma (97 mins) - rated PG 13

DIY DRIP IRRIGATION EXPLAINED

Learn how to water your garden smarter, not make it harder, with the New England Rose Society on Saturday, March 15 at 11 a.m. at the Morrill Memorial Library. Let's get ready for gardening season! After installing an intense drip system for her home garden, New England Rose Society president Lauren Gisel knew she had tips and strategies to share with fellow gardeners. Find out what Lauren learned in the process of installing a drip irrigation system in a home garden. We'll even get a hands-on feel for the process by exploring some of the materials Lauren used - how to punch into the lines, add emitters, set a drip timer, etc.

LEGO CLUB FOR ADULTS

Morrill Memorial Library is excited to partner with the L.E.A.D. program affiliated with Norwood High School to host a Sensory-friendly Lego Club for Adults. Our March Lego club meeting will be held in-person at the library on Thursday March 20, from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm. Please join the L.E.A.D. students in this creative adventure. Just bring your imagination - we will provide the Legos. The Club is free, inclusive,

and open to anyone ages 18+. It is specially designed for adults with different levels of abilities.

ART IN BLOOM

Usher in springtime with the Norwood Evening Garden Club's 19th annual Art in Bloom! Art in Bloom is a community event that displays artwork generated by Norwood and Walpole High School students coupled with interpretative floral designs composed by members of the Norwood Evening Garden Club. Twenty pieces of artwork will be displayed in the Morrill Memorial Library on Saturday, March 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday March 23 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free and the public is welcome and encouraged to attend to support the student artists.

SUSTAINABLE GARDENING TECHNIQUES

Norwood Seed Library is excited to announce Sustainable Gardening Techniques, a presentation covering best practices for sustainable gardening at the Morrill Memorial Library's Simoni Room on Monday March 24th at 6PM. Please join Nancy and David as they recount their decade-long efforts in transforming a 100 square foot, single rain barrel garden into an expansive whole-property sustainable gardening lifestyle. With video clips and a PowerPoint presentation, they will share the lessons they've learned and the resources they've collected to demonstrate how rainwater, leaves, kitchen scraps, yard waste and a lot of Yankee ingenuity were used to build 1,200 square feet of vegetable and flower gardens, a 660-gallon rainwater catchment system, and a 250 cubic foot, 3-bin composting system that they now enjoy.

ACUPUNCTURE FOR MODERN HEALING

Have you been curious about how acupuncture could fit into

your health care goals? Licensed practitioners from AcuBoston will join the Morrill Memorial Library on Tuesday, March 25 at 6:30pm to discuss how Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine integrate with traditional Western medical treatments. AcuBoston's licensed Acupuncturists and Herbalists will offer an educational presentation including a general introduction to acupuncture, the history of acupuncture and what it's used to treat, what to expect in an acupuncture treatment session, and how and if insurance will cover acupuncture treatments. There will even be a demonstration of acupuncture in practice.

SCAMS ARE EVERYWHERE!

Scams are everywhere and cost governments and individuals millions of dollars. To fight this rising threat of scams and to empower Norwood residents to spot and report scams, join Norwood Anti-Scam Task Force for an informational session called Scams 101: Spot, Report and Stop! The session will take place at the library on Thursday March 27, at 7PM in the Simoni Room. The presentation will include Information about the mission and vision of NASTF, scam trends, safe banking, learn how law enforcement handles scams and hear stories of scams that happened right here in Norwood. The presentation will be followed by a Q&A. For more information on the NASTF, please visit the NASTF https://www.norwoodma.gov/government/norwood_anti-scam_task_force.php

TOWN OF NORWOOD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on **April 1, 2025, at 7:00 PM** on the request of **Bruno Colantuoni (Case #25-7)** with respect to property located at **163 Dean Street, Norwood, MA 02062 [Map 15 Block 18 Lot 3], in the General Residence and Manufacturing Zoning District.** The hearing will be held at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062 and will also be available for remote participation via Google Meet:

Video call link:
<https://meet.google.com/xsu-pnjz-wua>

Or dial: (US) +1 941-254-1160 PIN: 402 158 920 #

This Application requests a **Variance** pursuant to Zoning Bylaw Section **10.2.2** and **MGL c.40A, s.10** to construct a two-family dwelling.

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

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

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN ON THE APPLICATION OF

Jared Price/Koma Toast LLC
of 61 Endicott Street, Norwood, MA

TO BE A THEATRICAL BOOKING AGENT WITHIN AND FOR THE
(County of) Norfolk of (City/town) of Norwood

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING A
THEATRICAL BOOKING AGENCY BUSINESS AS
PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 140 OF THE
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS

Norwood Record: 03/13/25

FY2026 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

The Norwood School Committee will hold a Public Budget Hearing on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 7:05 P.M. at the James R. Savage Education Center, 275 Prospect Street, Norwood, MA 02062.

Public can access the hearing in person at the Savage Center or live via NCM on cable and online as it is live-streamed. For the cable channel guide and online link, please visit: <https://norwoodcommunitymedia.org/>.

Public participation for the public hearing can be accessed in two ways: (1) In person at the hearing (sign up in advance through Superintendent's Office by noon the day of the hearing to pre-register, or sign in at the hearing); and (2) Call the Superintendent's Office at **781.762.6804** by **noon** on the day of the hearing to register and receive a hearing link that will be accessible for public hearing only.

A copy of the proposed FY2026 budget will be available for the public to review no later than 48hrs prior to the hearing on the Norwood Public School website at www.norwood.k12.ma.us as prescribed in **Chapter 71, §38N of the Massachusetts General Laws.**

The public is invited to participate.

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in the high school, and current cannabis use is down .8 percent and 10.4 percent respectively.

Brosan said they are encouraged by the results. "The data kind of speaks for itself; there has been a pretty impressive, I think, decline in use among students in Norwood," he said. "The main message is our youth is doing the work. They're really trying to promote substance-free living and there is a lot of data showing that if you can delay that first use, whether it's alcohol, marijuana, nicotine, you're more likely to not have addiction issues later in life. We really want to delay that first use as much as possible."

Quigley said last fall they had an extremely successful Wellness Fair in Town and he said they would be looking to make a permanent annual event.

For more information, check out ImpactNorwood.org for all events and programs.

Lastly, Mazzucco brought up an initiative to dissolve the Norwood Talent Bank in favor of a more outreach-based approach. Mazzucco said the bank was established to keep a list of residents who would be willing to volunteer on boards and committees in Town, and for a while it worked, but he said it had just become inefficient and outdated.

People move and their situations change, making a talent bank keeping names for more than a year somewhat unwieldy, Mazzucco said. So he said they would basically start putting out job listings for open seats when they become available. He said that would eliminate the lag between someone saying they want to volunteer and when the position opens up. Selectman Michael Saad liked the idea.

"When I got elected as a Selectman, my manager called me when I was on the 17th hole and said, 'we have a meeting with Moderna,' and I didn't know I was a Light Commissioner," he said, referring to the fact that the Board of Selectmen are also the Light Commissioners of Norwood Light and Broadband.

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resident individually to work with them to pick the right species for both what they want and their location,” Jones said. “For instance, if they need to plant under a power line then they should be picking a shorter tree; if it’s near their house making sure it’s not one that’s going to try to get into their water line or foundation, those kinds of consideration.”

Jones said they will be surveying residents who sign up because the department wants to track the impact of the giveaway. “We want to know if we’re actually reaching people in areas of Town with fewer trees, for instance, and one of the questions is, ‘Do you have street trees on your block?’” Jones said. “So everyone is eligible for a tree, but we are trying to do extra outreach in parts of Town where there are increased heat island effects, fewer trees and where we know that in general there might be challenges to getting communication from Town Hall.”

Jones added the survey is optional and not tied to obtaining the trees. They have hired Julie Ngo to help with this, as well as conducting a different survey for residents to isolate the largest issues around Climate Change in Town.

“We can think about the answers as we try to come up with creative ways to help mitigate and maybe recover from some of these changes we are seeing and expect to continue to see,” Jones said, adding that Ngo has been going to many events in Town to connect with residents and will continue to do so until the end of June. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/2m8t8t7u> for more information on the survey.

Jones said the other parts of the grant include updating stormwater and wetland stormwater regulations so that all projects permitted by the Town are meeting state and federal requirements, which can range from the Town’s federal MS4 permit to the specific regulations around pollution in the Neponset River.

Most of this work will be undertaken by Beta Engineering and will update the permitting process and the Town’s website so new projects will have an easier time navigating the new system.

SECTION A - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID TOWN OF NORWOOD, MA

Sealed bids will be received up until **11:00 A.M. March 27, 2025**, on **Projectdog.com** project code: **867150** for the following public project:

**"The Work includes furnishing and installing of;
500 MCM and 750 MCM 15 kV EPR cable, 4/0 neutral cable,
#6 solid bonding cable, Raychem splices, fireproofing of new cables,
splicing of paper-insulated lead-covered (PILC) cables, and
any other miscellaneous work for the successful installation of
new feeder cables in Norwood, MA."**

Bidders must be qualified to perform the work described in these specifications in accordance with Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 30, Section 39M.

The complete bid package may be obtained digitally on Projectdog.com using the project code **867150**. The bid must be filled out and signed as directed herein, endorsed with the name and address of the bidder, and marked, **"NLD-25-03 Paper in Lead Cabling Installation"**.

Bid documents can be located on Projectdog.com using the project code 867150. Bid submissions are to occur digitally on Projectdog.com. No physical copies will be accepted.

A certified check or bid bond, with acceptable surety in favor of the Town of Norwood and equal to at least five percent (5%) of the bid, must be submitted with the bid. The successful bidder shall, within ten (10) days of notification of award furnish the Town a payment bond and labor and materials bond in an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the bid price.

Bids shall be prepared, considered, and the contract awarded in accordance with all statutes governing such contracts (MGL Chapter 164, Chapter 30, and Chapter 149 as amended). Every General Bid shall be on forms furnished by the Town. Bids submitted on other forms may be rejected. The award of the contract shall be made within 30 working days after the opening of General Bids, Saturdays, Sundays, and Legal Holidays excluded.

An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not properly equipped to undertake and complete the work. The right is reserved to waive any informality and to reject any or all bids in accordance with the provisions of MGL as amended.

The Town of Norwood notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, creed, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The successful bidder shall be required to submit documentation that all employees to be employed in the work subject to this bid have successfully completed a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration.

Wages are subject to minimum wage rates under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 to 27D inclusive, as most recently amended.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to accept any part of a bid or the one deemed best for the Town.

BY: Tony Mazzucco,
General Manager

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Monday, March 3

1136 Walk-In - PD-Assist Public Spoke To Location/Address: Neponset St Walk in reports people keep coming to his house knocking on his door for no specific reason. Party is requesting an officer speak with staff. Spoke to staff at Riverside House. They state there is only so much they can do. Waiting for that party to leave the facility.

Tuesday, March 4

0209 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Spoke With Location/Address: - Wickham Way Caller on the business line reporting she is working with the FBI and the Detectives on this hacking case. States she’s being hacked by someone in her building. Spoke with party and she was advised of her options for electronic devices and Riverside and she declined.

1037 Phone - PD-Motor Vehicle Collision Report Follows Location/Address: ROJO - Bos-Prov Hwy Called in by Westwood PD, vehicle vs. pedestrian in the car wash bay. MA REG: 2MXZ83. AC requested and assigned over the air. Party transported to the hospital, the other was sent on way, report to be filed. Clear.

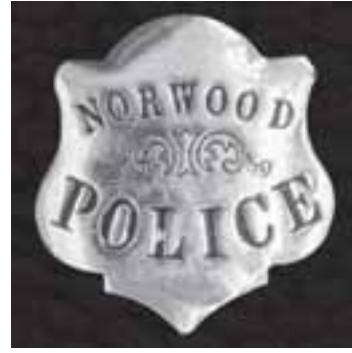
Wednesday, March 5

1044 Phone - PD-Assist Public Spoke With Location/Address: Boston Mobile Tire - Autumn St Owner of business is suspicious about an arrangement set up to pick up tires and is concerned the he will receive a charge back. Looking for advice. The transaction was found to be fraudulent. He was advised to cancel the order and call the police directly should anyone arrive for the pick-up.

1103 Phone - PD-Larceny/Forgery/Fraud Services Rendered Location/Address: Hickory Rd Business line caller reports that her husband is on the phone with someone that they believe is scamming them out of money. As of right now they believe the scammer got \$1800 through Paypal. Attempting to keep caller on phone until police arrive. Wife is going to the bank to see if they are in fact missing the money. Officer will meet her there. No money appears to be missing. Bank account was frozen. Scam was attempted, not successful.

1228 Phone - PD-Unwanted Party Report Follows Location/Address: Broadway Package Store - Broadway Staff at store witnessed an older gentleman consume what

Police Logs



he purchased, throw it on the ground, and remain on the property. He was asked to leave and will not. He was witnessed stumbling to the side of the building several times. One in protective custody. Returning to the station.

1230 Initiated - PD-General Info Spoke With Location/Address: St Catherine of Siena School - Nahatan St Officer spoke to principal about having an extra detail at dismissal today as an extra precaution for an ongoing custody situation.

1558 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Report Follows Location/Address: Bubbles-Up Laundromat - Central St Caller on the business line reporting that his clothes were stolen out of the dryer. Officer to second listed location to attempt to speak to the resident about the taken items. Party was not home. Spoke to her over the phone. Will follow-up later, and report to follow.

1626 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Report Follows Location/Address: Jake N Joes Sports Grille - Bos-Prov Hwy HQ received call from a female party who would like to report that she believes she saw a camera in the women’s bathroom at Jake and Joe’s a couple nights ago. Officer to return her call. Spoke to caller and went to Jake N Joes. Report to follow.

1842 Phone - PD-Suspicious Activity Arrest(s) Made Location/Address: - William Shyne Cir Report of two parties that entered the locked building that you put applications in. Unknown to the calling party. Transporting one adult female back to station in custody. Arrest: Leca, Nastarcia Teresa Arli Address: 226 Pine Grove Dr Brockton, Ma Age: 24 Charges: Default Warrant

Thursday, March 6

1214 Radio - Health & Welfare Check Services Rendered Location/Address: Wickham Way Per HQ HWC on male party Per health worker, just came home from ER highly intoxicated. Did tell health care worker. FD requested AR requested & assigned to 667. FD to transport to BI Needham, cleared

1613 Phone - PD-Disturbance Services Rendered Location/Address: McDonalds - Broadway E911 caller states that there are 3 parties causing a disturbance inside of the restaurant. Female green hoodie with braids, Male in all black with braids, Male with

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braids wearing grey. Caller report the parties were fighting in the drive through. Caller states that they then came into the building and were yelling at the customers. No weapons reported. Group of juveniles left prior to arrival. Spoke to employees stated the parties are not allowed back. Will canvass the area. 669 is off with parties at CVS Spoke with the parties, advised not allowed back to McDonald’s. Cleared.

1707 Phone - PD-Unwanted Party Gone on arrival Location/Address: Shaw’s Supermarket - Nahatan St Caller stating a group of juveniles have been asked to leave the property. RP reporting they are blocking the entry way and not listening to staff. One of the juveniles was a female wearing grey sweatpants, black sweatshirt with black hair. Unsure if the parties are still in the store at this time. Juveniles have left the store, but are somewhere in the Plaza. Officers are going to search the area and try to speak to the individuals. Area search negative, juveniles are not in the area. Both units clear.

Friday, March 7

1922 Phone - PD-Larceny/Forgery/Fraud Services Rendered Location/Address: Village Rd W Dominos manager called into report the order that was delivered to the above location resulted in the customer taking the food, not paying and slamming the door on the driver. Described to be two male parties approx 17-18 y/o. 1 B/M w/ an afro wearing all black. 1 H/M wearing all black. The order total was \$46.97. Units off in the area, unit 2609 does not exist. On call back with the delivery driver he stated he never actually went to their unit number. They met him at the front. Both units clear. Spoke w/ the dominos manager and he was advised. Units will be following up with the manager. Clear.

1957 Phone - PD-Unwanted Party Services Rendered Location/Address: Limey’s Pub - Washington St Employee reporting they have an unwanted customer. Intoxicated and verbally abusive. Described to be a B/F wearing a black coat and beanie. Last known location was in the bathroom. The party left w/o incident. Party was uncooperative to give name. Limey’s pub bartenders were advised to call back if the party returns. Clear.

Saturday, March 8

2002 911 - PD-Animal Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Harrow Rd 911- Caller reports his dog is outside, had a seizure and appears to have passed. They need assistance for navigating next steps. They were advised to contact the animal hospital. Unit clear.

Sunday, March 9

0020 Phone - PD-Assist Fire Department Transported to Hospital Vicinity of: McDonalds - Broadway Assist FD with a male party vomiting blood, possibly intoxicated. FD on scene and will transport.



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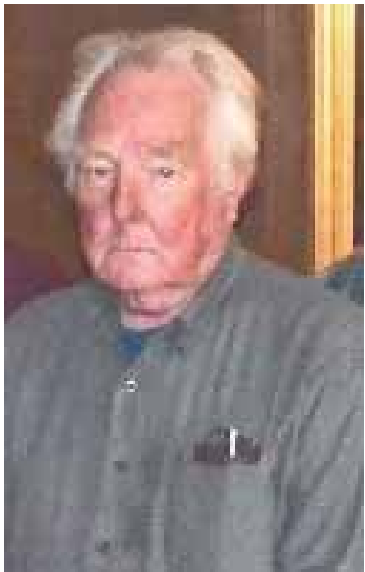


Leslie A. (Murley) of Norwood, formerly of Roslindale, passed away on March 5, 2025. Beloved wife of Francis X. Feeney. Devoted mother of Senator Paul R. Feeney and his wife, Laura of Foxborough and Kevin Feeney and his wife, Amanda of Haverhill. Dear sister of Jill Silvestro and her husband, Joseph of Whitman, Jerilyn Porter of Whitman, Jeffrey Murley of Norwood and Wendy Schmidt and her husband,

Michael of Dedham. Loving grandmother of Conor and Declan Feeney. Daughter of the late Gerald and Joyce Murley. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews that cherished their aunt Leslie. She leaves behind many friends that she loved dearly. Truly one of a kind, Leslie was known to all as a caring, compassionate and loving person that was always there, would always listen and would always know just what to say when you needed her. She devoted every minute of every day, every thought, every beat of her heart to her kids and her family. The lights of her life were her young grandsons, Conor and Declan, who could always count on nana for a hug, a smile, a story and to sneak them countless pieces of chocolate. A true love story, as a young single mom, she met Franny and her world changed, they forged more than a relationship, they built a family. Whether you met her while she was working as a waitress at Doyle's years ago or only had

WHITTIER

Winslow Everett Jr. "Red", 86, of Norwood, MA passed away early morning on Friday, March 7th, 2025. He was born in Norwood on October 29th, 1938, son of late Florence Williams and Winslow E. Whittier Sr. who grew up in East Walpole. He was the loving father of Gary Whittier of N. Attleborough, Cheryl Graham of Walpole, Jeanette White of Duxbury, Kimberly Intrieri of Wrentham, Michael Whittier of Idaho,



Jennifer Whittier of Walpole and Winslow Whittier of Attleboro. He was a dear brother of Eunice Hildebrandt of SC, Paul Whittier of Walpole, Diane Stewart of ME, Richard Whittier of ME, and Deborah Bartlett of FL. He was a beloved grandfather to Benjamin and Alyssa White, Paul and Abbey Graham, Kayli, Alexandria, Winslow Jr., and Jaxson Whittier. Winslow graduated from Walpole High School in 1956 and then enlisted in the United States Navy where he served honorably for three years. He also attended Newbury College and received a degree in Business Administration. He entered the workforce as a printer, working for companies such as Color Pictures in Jamaica Plain, The Christian Science in Boston and Regal Press in Norwood. After his retirement from Regal Press in 2009, Winslow continued to keep busy throughout retirement and worked part time jobs including a photo lab and Home Depot. Winslow enjoyed multiple daily walks at Bird Park in East Walpole with his dogs. He enjoyed outdoor activities including gardening, camping, hunting & fishing. He was a member of the Anglers Fishing Club in Wrentham and climbed Mount Washington in 2008. He also loved riding motorcycles & snowmobiling. He traveled to multiple locations across the United States & Canada where he visited with family & friends. Winslow loved to share humorous stories to family including that on a whim, he bought a horse and rode it around Walpole including riding it inside a local bar. Visitation will be held on Friday, March 14, 2025 from 4-7 PM at the Folsom & May Funeral Home, 85 Nichols St. in Norwood. A funeral service will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, March 15, 2025, at the Union Congregational Church, 55 Rhoades Ave, East Walpole. Interment to follow at the Charles Sumner Bird Memorial Cemetery with military honors. In honor of Winslow, flower donations may be sent to Folsom & May Funeral Home. For obituary and guestbook, please visit website. Folsom & May Funeral Home. www.folsomfuneral.com

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the pleasure of crossing her path for just a moment, you were blessed to be around this gentle soul, with an infectious laugh and caring demeanor. She will be deeply missed. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. Interment in New Calvary Cemetery, Mattapan. For directions and guestbook, please visit gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

McDERMOTT



Richard passed away peacefully after a long battle with cancer. Rick was born in Mattapan and the family moved first to Milton and then to Westwood when he was eight years old. Rick attended Westwood schools and gradu-

ated in the first class at Xaverian Brothers High School in Westwood in 1967. He graduated from Holy Cross College and later earned his MBA from Babson College. Rick worked in the consumer product industry in sales and sales administration over the course of his career, including time with Proctor & Gamble, McNeil Labs, Underwood, and Ocean Spray Cranberries. Rick was most passionate about three things: his love for his wife Janet, his family, and golf. Rick met Janet on a blind date while he was at Holy Cross and Janet was at Regis College. He married the love of his life, Janet Sullivan, in 1974 and they lived a life of devotion for over 50 years. They resided in Norwood throughout their marriage. Janet was a 42-year English teacher in Medfield and passed away in 2023 after a short illness. Rick is also predeceased by his parents, Richard and Frances, and his brother Mark. Rick was part of a close-knit and growing family, and he cherished family time. He not only loved being an uncle, but he was also a great-uncle. He leaves behind: brother Scott McDermott and his wife Kelly of Medfield, their children Courtney and Matt Gill, Dillon McDermott and Jack McDermott, and his great nephew Pearce Gill and great nieces Lila and Harper Gill; Sister Nancy McDermott and her husband Bob O'Keefe (de-

ceased) of Duxbury, her children Matt O'Keefe and Connor O'Keefe; and Paul McDermott and his wife Laura of Duxbury, their children Marley McDermott and her husband Bennett Skaggs; Jay McDermott and Max McDermott and his great niece Ellis Skaggs. Rick learned golf as an 11-year-old with his father. They shared a passion for the game. Rick became a dedicated student and champion of the sport. He was the golf captain at Xaverian and Holy Cross and a 40-year member of Woodland Golf Club, where he won numerous Club Championships. In recent years Rick greatly enjoyed being a member of Sharon Country Club. Immediate family gathered for a private Burial Ceremony where Rick was laid to rest beside Janet at Highland Cemetery in Norwood. Arrangements were made with Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street, Norwood. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Rick's memory to the Norwood Circle of Hope, PO Box 421, Norwood, MA 02062.

TURNER



WILLIAM R. SR. of Norwood passed away on March 9, 2025 at the age of 98. Beloved husband of 70 years to the late Marion L. (McCall) Turner. Devoted father of William R. Turner Jr. and his wife Janet of Walpole, Julie Shea and her husband James of Salem, James Turner and his wife Danita of Chelmsford, Carol Camile and her significant other Mark Mollo of Cumberland, RI and David Turner and his wife Kim of Medway. Brother of Kitty Clancy of Millis and the late Arthur and John Turner. Cherished grandfather of 10 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. Son of the Late Arthur and Catherine (Hayes) Turner. William was a retired Deputy Fire Chief of the Norwood Fire Dept. working as a Firefighter for 30 years from 1954-1984. He was also a WWII US Navy Veteran with 100% disability. All services will be private. Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home Norwood, MA.

WALSH

Mary E. "Dede" Walsh, age 66, of Norwood, formerly of Westwood, passed away peacefully on March 3, 2025. Mary was the daughter of the late Joseph P. and Mary E Walsh of Westwood and stepdaughter of the late Natalie S. Walsh. Mary is survived by her brothers William J. and Lauren of Mashpee, John N. and Jaynellen of Walpole, and Michael C.



and Meg of Milton as well as stepsister Natalie Woodward of Norwood. Mary was predeceased by her brother, Joseph K. "Jay" and Kathy formerly of Franklin and her stepsister and best friend Laura E. Schmatzler of Norwood. She was the loving Aunt to 16 nieces and nephews who she termed them all as Buddy, as well as 9 grand nieces and nephews. Mary was quite involved in activities through Lifeworks and The Arc including a daily workshop, bowling, softball, and dances. The past 20 plus years Mary enjoyed her life at the Chatham Road group home. It was here where she lived with both childhood and new friends enjoying each other's companionship. She also enjoyed summers at The Cape and especially family gatherings. She was always happy to participate in a conversation, often offering her thoughts and opinions, no matter the topic. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Funeral from the Holden, Dunn and Lawler Funeral Home, 55 High Rock St., Westwood. Interment at Old Westwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Mary's memory to Lifeworks, Inc. c/o Development at 789 Clapboardtree St., Westwood, MA 02090. The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to the wonderful and caring staff of Lifeworks, both at the administration level and the staff level at Chatham Road. The love and support provided to Mary was tremendous, always kind and compassionate.