

Chief Hayes' contract extension still in limbo

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

A delegation of local leaders went to the State House on Thursday, Nov. 17 to push for passage of the bill that would allow Fire Chief David Hayes to retain his position past his 65th birthday in February.

The bill, H. 4287, would exempt Hayes from the mandatory retirement age for firefighters and allow him to continue as chief until age 70 if he so chooses. The article to that effect was approved at Special Town Meeting last fall, and the bill was sponsored by both state Sen. Mike Rush and state Rep. John Rogers, yet it has languished in the Senate's Committee on Bills in the Third Reading since June 30, according to the state's website. This year's legislative session ends on Jan. 3, so it must be passed within the next month and obtain the governor's signature to be enacted.

"Feb. 28 is my drop dead date," Hayes said in an interview on Nov. 4. "It's nerve-racking. I still want to stay. It will frustrate me greatly if this essentially becomes a pocket veto."

"We're going to fight for him until the last day," Town Manager Tony Mazzucco said in an interview with The Norwood Record on Nov. 19. He and Selectmen Helen Abdallah Donohue and Bob Donnelly went to the State House with Hayes to explain to



Norwood Fire Chief David Hayes may not have a long tenure as the bill to keep him in office languishes in the legislature.

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the legislators why they felt it was imperative to keep Hayes in this position at a critical time in the Town's growth.

"I'd say it was a productive meeting," he noted. "We certainly heard some of their concerns, and I think they heard ours. If we were the only town in the entire Commonwealth that had ever made this request, I could see this being a concern, but this happens fairly regularly."

In fact, seven similar bills have been approved by the Legislature and signed by Gov. Charlie Baker since 2021, including one sponsored by the governor himself in 2021 on behalf of Berlin Fire/EMS Chief P. Kenneth Clark, to waive the age limit for specific

public safety officials. This year, three such bills have been signed for Leominster Police Chief Kevin Lamb, Amherst Fire Chief Walter "Tim" Nelson, and Bernardston Deputy Chief Lloyd Grover. Mazzucco also noted that Norwood Police Chief William Brooks's bill to extend his service past the age of 65 was enacted three years ago.

One concern Rush and Rogers previously noted in a joint statement earlier this fall was that "this home-rule petition has become increasingly difficult, as it is looking to subvert a 1987 statewide law to protect public safety and public safety officials."

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Town Planner moving on to new assignment

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

It was announced recently at a meeting of the Norwood Planning Board that Town Planner Paul Halkiotis is leaving the Town of Norwood (reportedly to serve as Town Planner for the Town of Harwich, MA).

"As much as I wish him the best and I know he'll do great wherever he goes, I will personally, as will the Board, miss him," said Planning Board Chair Ernie Paciorkowski. "I've worked with Paul for about 10 years, at least. Paul, I just want to tell you, I think you are one of the sharpest guys. You know planning inside and out, your expertise, your leadership, your contribution, the way you deal with the Board, the way you deal with contractors, developers, attorneys, your knowledge is second-to-none. You will absolutely be missed by this Board, myself and the Town and I wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors."

Paciorkowski went over a short list of accomplishments during the proceeding that Halkiotis was a part of. "Now I'm going to miss him a lot, because there was a lot we did," he said.

Paciorkowski said Halkiotis was instrumental in helping the Town get through the Boston Providence Highway rezoning,



Paul Halkiotis

the Mixed-Use Overlay District in the Downtown, rapid recovery COVID-19 grants, the redevelopment of the Space Center, the Life Science Development District where Moderna is, the Hospital Overlay District and various other bylaws and grants.

Board of Selectmen Chair Bill Plasko said he wished Halkiotis well. "I wish him the best of luck in his new ventures," he said.

Planning Board member Debbie Holmwood said she will still reach out whenever she has a question. "Without your help the Community Preservation Act would have never gotten off the ground, and I appreciate that and you will be

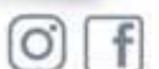
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Senior Housing zoning discussed at Planning Board

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Planning Board met on Nov. 21 and discussed a proposal from resident Susan Fitzgerald to create a zoning district, a zoning sub-district or an overlay district that would encourage age-restricted senior housing in Norwood.

“My vision would be free-standing homes, no children to tax the school system; there’s a need for a solution for Norwood seniors who want to maintain their independence and want manageable and ac-

cessible housing,” she said. “It should be one-floor housing, a ranch house, with everything on one floor with a washer and dryer. I actually live in an accessible house that I bought with my husband, who is disabled. We’ve been living in Norwood now for 18 years. His family’s been in Norwood since the 1800s, and I want to stay in Norwood, but right now my house is almost 2,400 square feet. We don’t need it.”

Fitzgerald said finding a suitable home in Norwood for them to move into has been extremely difficult and that they now feel stuck in a home that no longer suits them. Assistant

Town Planner Sarah Bouchard said this is a compounding problem, as many seniors living in homes they’re not exactly utilizing to the fullest extent cannot move out to smaller homes in Town because the capacity just isn’t there. This creates a backlog, so to speak, because young families can’t purchase those larger homes the seniors have.

“We talk often about the housing crisis, and often we think about how that impacts young people who are starting out and at the beginning of

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missed,” she said. “I will miss you, and I’m not saying I’m not going to still call you Paul. I appreciate your work, the trees appreciate it and thanks for your direction.”

Member Joseph Sheehan said Halkiotis had quite an impact. “Your fingerprints are on everything we do, as far as everything that comes across our desk,” he said. “You’ve been a great friend and a great planner for our Town.”

Development Attorney David Hern also spoke of Halkiotis and his work with the Planning Department. “Paul brought his experience and his professionalism and his experience in other towns to our work here in Norwood and he was always fair and reasonable and looked out for the interests

of this Town,” he said. “I’m going to miss him, because I deal with him in the office all the time. I’m going to miss his wisdom, his reasonableness and you’ve given us just an excerpt from a catalog of all the good things he’s done for us over the years and I have to say I also think of him as a friend and I wish you the best Paul in your new endeavors, whatever they may be. This Town owes you a lot.”

After discussing regular business, the Planning Board went into executive session for two items. One was concerning litigation at 596 Boston Providence Hwy., and the other was, “Discussion of complaint or charges brought against public officer, employee, staff member or individual,” which

Halkiotis said during the meeting was about himself.

Halkiotis’ resignation from the Town of Norwood comes after documents were left on windshields at the most recent Fall Town Meeting. These documents detailed an investigation undertaken by the Town into claims of misconduct against Halkiotis. For a full explanation of this, go to <https://bit.ly/3iiGS23>.

Norwood Police Chief William Brooks confirmed the department is not looking into the dispersal of documents at this time for any charges relating to them being left on Town Meeting members’ windshields during the proceedings.

“No it’s not even littering,” he said.



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Selectmen vote on taxes, approve Ryder dealership

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, Nov. 28 and voted to increase the tip/shift tax rate up favoring residential taxes at the expense of commercial property owners.

The Board reviewed a presentation from Town Assessor Tim McDonough, who said that growth in Town is down – mainly due to the absence of the Norwood Hospital – but property values are increasing.

The Board voted unanimously to support McDonough's recommendation that the tip/shift factor of the tax rate up 1.71 percent. The 1.71 increase means that the tax levy will keep rates between residential and commercial relatively similar.

Selectman Bob Donnelly relayed what that would mean in terms of actual tax increases for residential and commercial property owners.

"I think one of the things that I really like about this factor is that it results in a residential increase of about 4.75 percent and for commercial it's 4.8 percent. I think as we move up the scale, when we get to 1.75, we're going to put too much of a burden on commercial—even though we'd be seeing a lower rate for residential—so I think what the assessors have positioned here is a balanced approach"

Selectmen Chair Bill Plasko said he's glad to see the tip factor balanced, as in the past Norwood has tended to go higher on commercial rates than residential.

"We don't want to chase industry out of Town, they're our bread and butter," he said. "They're paying 42 percent of our tax burden and yet their total of the valuation is only 25 or 27 percent. They do us good and we want to encourage and expand that tax base."

The Board also voted unanimously to approve a new used truck dealership for Ryder rental at 776 Boston Providence Hwy.

The proposal came from Michael Clemmey, who could not attend due to the recent death of Karl Clemmey, his father. Clemmey was represented by Attorney Christopher Alphen of Blatman, Bobrowski, Haverty & Silverstein Law Offices. Alphen said they were looking for a Class 2 License from the Board and had already been approved for a special permit for the lot and its site plan by the Planning Board.

"We believe that all the concerns related to the site were addressed in that decision," he said.

The lot will have 173 total spaces. Ryder's Vice President of Vehicle Sales Eugene Tangney said the site would be used for used trucks that had been leased and rented previously.

"We dispose of all the vehicles we rent and lease, about 20,000 vehicles every year in North America, and we're looking forward to opening a site here in Norwood." The trucks on offer ran the gamut from sprinter vans to tractor trailers but he said it would mostly be smaller box trucks and vans.

Planning Board member Debbie Holmwood said she wanted more buffering on the site to protect the neighborhood. "We had some pretty extensive plans for some berm in the back to give the neighbors some shelter and none of that is done yet, but I think the plan today is here," she said.

Selectman Helen Abdallah-Donohue pointed out that if the development does not comply with the Planning Board's requirements, then the project will lose its approval and not be able to move forward.

"And the building commissioner can shut us down," said Rangney.

Resident Nicole Santoro said she's the only direct abutter to this property and said Clemmey promised to do a lot of noise and visual mitigation on the site that had yet been done.

"There are supposed to be trees and fences towards the back of my property which has not been done," she said. "There are supposed to be humongous trees, as we talked about, and they are about one foot tall which is no sound deadening for me. It's very loud." She said about 30 percent of what was promised has been done.

"I personally don't believe they should get a license if all the requirements they said they would do in the Planning Board meeting weren't done," she said.

Alphen said they would be doing plantings in the spring and give the neighbors progress reports as it moves forward. "We certainly don't want neighbors upset with the construction we need to do and we would be happy to take their phone numbers and emails and make sure we

communicate with them about our progress, the construction and buffers we have to put in for compliance with the site plan approval," he said.

In other news, Town Manager Tony Mazzucco brought up a proposed ambulance rate increase from Norwood Fire Department Chief David Hayes. He said several years ago the Town assessed its ambulance costs versus other towns and found them to be somewhat lower. He said they actually started raising rates several years ago to spread out the financial impact, and that this was one of those increases.

"The Chief has looked at it again this year and is recommending a 3 percent rate increase as of Jan. 1, 2023," he said.

The Board approved the rate increase unanimously.

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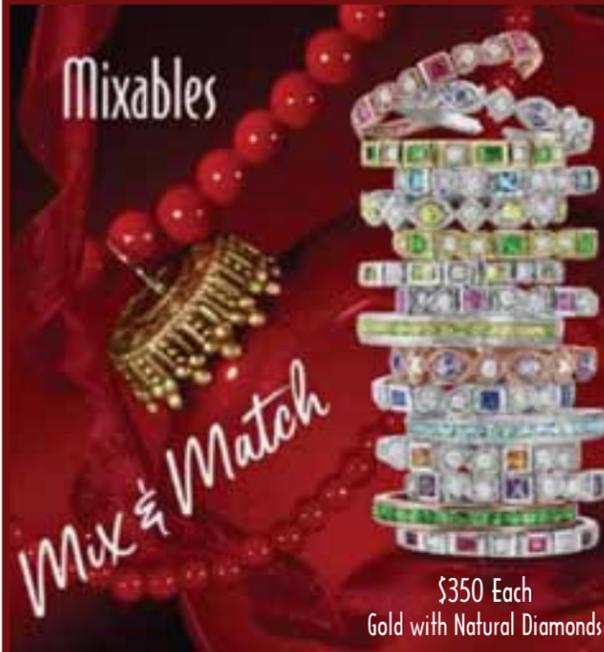
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their household budgets and looking for starter homes, but it's equally severe of an impact for people later in life," she said. "People who are living on fixed incomes, who are looking to downsize and looking for creative options to age in place or stay in the community they love are finding it extremely difficult. These are definitely important issues and I expect them to come up in discussion during the master planning process."

Boucharad also said that due to state discrimination laws, children cannot be excluded from housing.

"It's not permissible to restrict against children," she said. "You can have an age restriction that says a household member has to be 55 or older but you can't restrict against kids living in a home or community, but there is flexibility."

Boucharad said the mechanisms to do this may not be in zoning districts, and Planning Board Chair Ernie Paciorkowski agreed. He also said he thinks there are definitely ways to get there.

"It may not look exactly like you envision it, and the way you envision it is a utopia," he said. "I mean just go down to Florida, go to the Villages if you want to see that kind of stuff. I think you bring up some good points."

Development attorney David Hern, at the meeting for a proposed single-family development at 76 Prospect St. that was voted to be continued until Jan. 9, 2023 said there are a lot of ways to approach this particular issue of senior housing. He said one approach could be what is called additional dwelling units (ADUs) which are either attached or stand-alone dwelling units that increase density without needing additional lot size. These units, colloquially known as in-law units, have their zoning requirements reduced or eliminated to allow basements, attics or even stand-alone cottages to become full-fledged dwelling units on one's property, with certain restrictions as dictated by the municipality that allows them.

"Do we really need 15,000-square-foot lots with 125 feet of frontage in this day and age?" he asked. "Some people love it, and that's fine, but maybe we look at some areas where we give people and developers an option to say, 'I'm going to build smaller houses on smaller lots or clustered together,' and the builder doesn't necessarily lose out. Now, I'm not going to speak to the economics of it, but if you build two or three houses close to each other or connected to each other, it's cheaper than building three separate houses."

The Board agreed that it would be a discussion they would be interested in pursuing.

Extravaganza kicks off the Yuletide

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

While all most residents could talk about during the show was the Hallmark Holiday movie filmed at the gazebo and Norwood Theater, (A Playful Romance/ A Show-Stopping Christmas), hundreds braved the rainy weather on Sunday, Nov. 27 for the annual Norwood Holiday Extravaganza on the Norwood Town Common.

The afternoon's bad weather held off, at least for the first Reindeer Fun Run at the beginning of the event. Hundreds of children ran down Washington Street to find themselves in a winter wonderland, complete with horse rides, a petting zoo, S'mores stations, arts and crafts and live music performed by Norwood students.

While the rain did dampen the S'more campfires, spirits lifted when Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus arrived to kick off the season with photos, carols and the annual tree-lighting. Hundreds of residents – many with umbrellas – counted down loudly before the entire Common and Washington Street became awash in the festive lights of the season.

Resident Steve Barrows and his friends and family said they came out to have a good time with their kids.

"I wanted to meet some

friends, check out what's going on and bring my daughters, who are running around somewhere right now," Barrows said. "The kids got me here essentially. We love to do anything free, and Norwood has a lot of free activities. Free is for me, and you can quote me on that."

Barrows said the music and community make the day for him and his family.

Resident Sandy Browne said she feels the event could have more for the kids to do and could be more inclusive. "I like it, but I think a little more activities would be good," she said, adding that she couldn't have one of the S'mores on offer. "I'm vegan, and would definitely like more vegan options here. I've got vegan marshmallows going to waste at home!"

Residents Kelly Clark and Angela Nocerino said they've been coming for years. "I moved here in 2011 and I've been going ever since," Clark said. "It just kicks off the holiday season in Norwood."

"We've been coming for about four or five years now, and I just love getting together with the community, seeing all our friends and, like Kelly said, kick off the holiday season," Nocerino said. "It's a nice day for it too and it gets us out."

It should be noted that

SO, DID TOWN OFFICIALS TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY?

To the Editor:

Regarding your article of improper conduct by the Town Planner substantiated in last week's paper, I resigned in March of 2021 over this and as of last week remain in the dark as to what happened with Ms. Morgan's complaint against the Town Planner. Now we have the results via a letter drop on my vehicle and to many others at the Special Town Meeting.

Are we going to hear from anyone from the Selectmen/ Planning Board or Manager's office now that this has been made public? Can we have some evidence that the "Remedies" of what the Town Planner was found responsible for were actually followed thru with via the Sensitivity Training, Apology and Supervisory Enhancement by Mr. Mazzucco? Does the above mentioned group approve or did they approve of Mr. Halkiotis' treatment of the only African Ameri-

can employee of the Town? I have a feeling again, as I did in March of 21, that we will hear nothing but crickets and that's just flat out wrong!

If you see something, say something so this does not happen again and open our Town up to utter embarrassment and possible litigation! Speak up Selectmen and Planning Board!

Patrick J. Mulvehill
Former member of both
Planning and Zoning Board
of Appeals



Hundreds came out to kick off the season, despite the rain and less than perfect conditions. The S'mores fires held, however, and residents stuck it out to see Santa, Mrs. Claus and the lighting of the tree on the Common.

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Nocerino said that before the rain really hit.

Residents Brian and Courtney Sandorn and their daughter Brooke said they came out to see Brooke perform in the Holiday Parade that led Santa into the Town Common.

"This is our first time," Brian said. "Yes I'm excited and I haven't done anything like it before," Brooke said. "I'm just a little bit nervous."

Residents Cheryl and Adam Danitschea came to watch their

daughter perform in the choir singing at the gazebo.

"They're doing really good; I don't know if you want commentary at all, but if they could change the horse ride line to outside the gazebo so we could actually hear the singers, that would be amazing," said Cheryl.

The line for the horses started at Central Street at about the entrance to the Norwood Theater and snaked up west towards the gazebo, around the gazebo and ended almost exactly at the

Washington Street/Cottage Street MBTA Bus Stop. It was definitely the most popular attraction, and had two horse-drawn wagons giving rides throughout the day.

"I feel bad, they worked really hard and practice really hard twice a week at the middle school," she said. "They work very hard for it and it would be nice to show more enthusiasm for the kids in the music program. But it's nice watching the school kids find their friends and run around."

Sports parking in peril during Coakley construction

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Middle School Building Committee (MSBC) met on Nov. 21 and discussed the construction parking plan with WT Rich CEO Jon Rich.

Rich laid out the seven parking configurations throughout the building process from years 2023 to 2025 which would see the number of spaces available to the public and school staff fluctuate from 249 during June 2023's start of construction to a low of 129 during the summer of 2024 construction period and 202 during the start of the 2025 school year. He said there would be designated areas for contractors to park during their work hours. When the project is completed, 287 parking spaces will be available.

"WT Rich did ask during the proposal phase what your parking needs were and these were the answers, but I get the sense hearing from people that these are actually a bit lower than what you might have wanted," Rich said. "We were told during the school year to keep 115 spaces, and during the summer 60 spaces for the public and school use. We're well above that, but if you're going to need more than that we'd like to continue to explore that and talk about it.

MSBC member and Facili-

ties Director Paul Riccardi said he had a bit of an issue with the specific start dates of the schedule and how the construction will affect youth sports.

"In the fall when youth soccer and youth football start up, there's over 300 cars up there, easy, definitely on the weekends and probably a little fewer than that during the week at night," he said. "But during the weekends, the place is jammed."

Rich pointed out that is more than the capacity that's there now.

"No question, they park everywhere," Riccardi said. "On the grass, on the lot, they park everywhere."

Rich said during the school year, there will be 279 spaces available, except for the final configuration phase, 202 spaces, when they are demolishing the old school before the project is fully completed.

"That might be the most problematic," he said.

Rich also pointed out that on the weekends, they would not really be at the site, and said there could be a way to share spaces between the contractors and residents.

"For the most part we wouldn't be mobilized, however if it's a tight schedule we could be there a bunch of Saturdays," he said. "But generally speaking I know a lot of the youth sports are after 3 p.m. and

we're usually going to be off the site. But I don't know if there's a way we could create some of our spaces, contractor parking, that open up when we leave to relieve the athletics situation. We can definitely look at that."

Riccardi and School Committee member Teresa Stewart pointed out another serious issue with the plan. Basically, they were under the impression that construction and parking impacts would start in July of 2023 when the school year ends. But Rich said they had planned – and put that plan in their submissions to the Town and committee – to start in June.

The issue is that the rear field behind the current school is where several youth sports are slated to play, and they then wouldn't have access to that field during construction.

Rich said they have thought about waiting until July 1, but said that would not be desirable.

"We could do that, we would lose one full month off the back end of the schedule," he said. "The idea of just choosing to lose a month right away at the back of the schedule is not the preferred option."

Stewart said this has serious impacts on Norwood youth sports.

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“Age should never be a limiting factor in someone’s ability to do the job,” Mazzucco said, calling the 1987 law “fundamentally flawed and discriminatory in nature.” He also noted that Hayes has “incredible institutional knowledge” from serving in virtually every capacity in the Norwood Fire Department over the past three decades.

Hayes added that he believes the Legislature might be worried that waivers such as his are an effort to change the mandatory retirement age to 70.

“Sen. Rush told me that the reason they were there was because of me,” Donohue said in a Nov. 20 interview with The Norwood Record, noting she has advocated on behalf of Hayes for months. “Both he and Rep. Rogers said they appreciated the additional information about Chief Hayes. They didn’t say yes, but they didn’t say no either. They made no promises. But both sides like him and know of his accomplishments.”

Mazzucco noted that both legislators have seniority in the Legislature. Rush is the Senate majority whip, and Rogers has been in the House for nearly three decades. Rogers had served as the House majority leader from 2005 to 2009.

“I would think that, with their seniority, they would be able to get a simple local petition through,” Mazzucco said, adding that Rush and Hayes are both veterans.

During his first year as chief, Hayes “has passed with flying colors” by winning hun-

dreds of thousands of dollars in grant funding for the department, Mazzucco said. Hayes pushed for the Town’s second ALS ambulance, which has proven to be critical in transporting people to medical facilities because of the shutdown of Norwood Hospital.

“We’ve made some of the biggest investments in the Fire Department in the last 20 or 30 years – if not ever – with the chief advocating for equipment and the ability to leverage grant funding,” Mazzucco added.

While Mazzucco said he recognized concerns previously expressed by both the local and state firefighters unions that keeping a chief on for additional years would hinder promotional opportunities, he noted there are additional opportunities for professional advancement.

“Over the past five years, our command structure in the fire department has changed quite a bit,” Mazzucco said, noting the addition of a second deputy chief as well as a second inspections officer.

In February, Norwood will become a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Communications Center (SEMRECC) in an effort to modernize and enhance the Town’s emergency dispatch system. This shift will allow a couple of current department positions to be elevated to lieutenant roles, he added.

Hayes also has spearheaded the effort to create a regional training center that would potentially be based in Norwood and would include partnerships with at least nine other towns.

“If [Hayes] goes in February, he is going to have to pass that baton,” Mazzucco explained. “That’s a cash investment the state has made in the region that might fall by the wayside if we’re not able to leverage continuing that project.”

Since the Nov. 17 meeting, Mazzucco said the Board of Selectmen sent a follow-up letter dated Nov. 21 to Senate President Karen Spilka and Sen. Sal DiDomenico, the chair of the Senate’s Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, “urgently requesting a meeting.” No response was received by them to a letter dated Oct. 11 signed by Board of Selectmen Chair Bill Plasko on behalf of the board.

In a copy of the Nov. 21 letter obtained by The Norwood Record, Plasko echoed many of the points Mazzucco discussed.

“Chief Hayes is critical to

the public safety of the residents of this community,” the letter stated. “[O]ur legislative body has voted affirmatively for this home rule petition, and our Chief is a veteran. Norwood needs him. The Chief deserves the opportunity to continue to serve and Norwood will benefit greatly from his continued service to our community.”

The Norwood Record reached out to DiDomenico’s office four times via phone and email since October and did not receive a response by press time as to whether the bill would be considered.

Both Hayes and Mazzucco noted that Hayes’s pension will not increase if he were approved to serve past age 65.

“He’s thinking about the future of the department,” Mazzucco said, “knowing that it’s not one he’ll be around to see.”

Another current fire chief in a similar position is Fire Chief William Spillane in Dedham, a town Rush also represents. Spillane will turn 65 on April 8, shortly after Dedham’s newly-constructed Dedham Public Safety Building goes online, he said in an interview with The Norwood Record on Nov. 18.

Spillane said the two chiefs share similar goals of seeing the initiatives they started come to fruition. He was part of the planning process for the new public safety building that will replace the antiquated police and fire stations in Dedham Square. He noted that his article had unanimous Dedham Town Meeting support as well as “100 percent backing from the local union.”

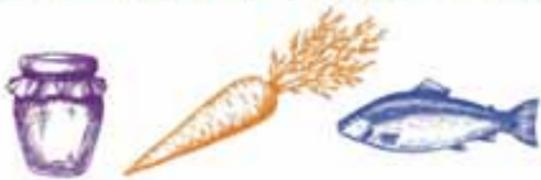
“Sixty-five is a different 65 now from way back when,” he said. “Back in the 1980s, a firefighter at age 65 was fat, smoked and was a high cancer risk. They also served on the front lines. Now it’s more of an administrative position.”

Spillane said he is currently working on PowerPoint presentations for his potential successor, not knowing the fate of his bill. Searching for a new chief would take about six months, according to Spillane, including having candidates take a town-specific exam for competency.

“At this time there is no additional update on the legislation you are inquiring about related to Chief Hayes’ retirement,” said Ashley Powers, Rush’s chief of staff, in an email on Nov. 28. “Senator Rush and Rep. Rogers will continue to follow this legislation as the legislative process continues.”

The Norwood Record also reached out to Rogers’s office twice. No response was received at press time.

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the corner and we're impacting youth soccer and spring lacrosse with the season they're currently registering for, and I don't think those programs have any idea that their next season will be impacted," she said. "Registration for those programs ends on Jan. 8. I just worry about that people don't know the impact is less than six months away."

Riccardi said he agreed. "I think they all believe that when school gets out, this construction starts," he said. "That's what I thought too, so this is a bit of a change that you guys worked on independently from the group, because I've been telling the lacrosse team that nothing's really going to start until school's out. So they just lost 24 days."

Riccardi said he felt the Town representatives were not consulted enough on the scheduling with Compass Project Management and WT Rich and that this was the result.

Rich said the June 1 start date was published in the original Request for Proposal for the construction project.

"That was always our marching orders, that on June 1 we were supposed to start construction," he said. "We didn't intend to change anything; we were aligning with what we thought was the Town's intention. We can be flexible on these things but there are consequences on the back end if we do."

Riccardi said he originally thought the June start date would just be WT Rich taking down the

field lighting, which the youth sports could play around. Compass Project Management Project Manager Chase Terrio said they had discussed it with WT Rich without MSBC representatives, and looked at it from a different angle than someone in the Town might have.

"My point is we are going to stress the hell out of community sports here for the better part of three years, and so we ought to try to minimize the stress we're going to put them under," Riccardi said. "They're all going to be still practicing here - I don't believe they're going anywhere

else - they're just going to have to squeeze in and change their practice schedules."

MSBC member and Finance Commission Member Alan Slater said they will speak with the Norwood Recreation Department about getting a better handle on their flexibility to see what can be done to ameliorate the situation. All present at the MSBC meeting agreed that they would work out the schedule as much as possible to have as little impact as possible on youth sports.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, ss SUPERIOR COURT
C.A. No. 2282CV00225

JOSEPH MOSCA,
Plaintiff

v.

ResCap Liquidating Trust, successor in interest to Residential Capital, LLC and its subsidiary, GMAC MORTGAGE LLC s/b/m to GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, its successors, assigns and/or any persons claiming by, through or under any of it,
Defendant

A hearing on assessment of damages on the Plaintiff's Motion for Default Judgment will be held in the above-captioned matter on **December 20, 2022 at 10 a.m.** The Hearing will be held via Zoom: Meeting ID: 1610672682 at www.zoomgov.com or via phone at 833-568-8864 or join by SIP at 1610672682@sip.zoomgov.com. Pursuant to the Verified Complaint, the Plaintiff is not seeking any monetary damages. The Plaintiff is solely seeking the equitable relief pursuant to the proposed judgment as follows: **ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECLARED** the mortgage recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds (the "Registry") dated January 29, 2001 in Book 14940, Page 340 given by Christopher Padden and Colleen Padden to GMAC Mortgage Corporation ("GMAC") covering the real estate located at 79-81 Walnut Avenue, Norwood, Massachusetts (the "Property") (hereinafter the "2001 Mortgage"), is hereby discharged of record at the Registry; it is further **ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECLARED**, that Joseph Mosca is vested with good, clear, record and marketable title free of any claim by the Defendant or anyone claiming by or through the Defendant by virtue of the 2001 Mortgage recorded at the Registry in Book 14940, Page 340 and that the Defendant was the last record holder of the Mortgage as evidenced by the records filed with said Registry.

Norwood Record: 12/01/2022

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE NO22P2874EA

Estate of: Jean A. Poce Norfolk Division
Also known as: Jean Anne Poce

Date of Death: November 5, 2021

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of **Petitioner Anne E. Watson of Center Barnstead, NH** a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Anne E. Watson of Center Barnstead, NH has been informally appointed as the **Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.**

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

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FLAHIVE



Thomas Joseph Sr. of Norwood, passed away on November 20, 2022, at the age of 87. Beloved husband of Carole A. (Cahoon) Flahive. Devoted father of Claire-Marie Mulrey and her husband Gary of Walpole, Virginia "Ginny"

Spry and her husband David of Reading, Thomas J. Flahive Jr. and his wife Ellen of Norwood, Michael Flahive and his wife Laurie of Foxboro, Ed Flahive and his wife Jean of Norwood and the late Frank A. Flahive. Brother of the late Ad Flahive. Cherished grandfather of 15 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren. Thomas was a graduate of Boston College and was an avid New England sports fan. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St. Norwood. Interment at Blue Hill's Cemetery, Braintree, MA.

DEATHS

FOLAN



Matthew M., a lifelong resident of Norwood passed away suddenly on November 24, 2022 at the age of 58. Beloved son of the late John and Ann P. (Flaherty) Folan. Loving brother of Mary A. Wise of RI, John A. Folan and his wife Nadine of Dartmouth, Catherine J. Folan of Norwood, Diana M. Folan of Norwood and the late Martin Folan. Cherished uncle of Christine A. Folan, Heather A. Wise, Daniel Wise and Mercy A. Folan. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2022 from 9am-11am at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, MA. A funeral home service will be held on Thursday December 8, 2022 at 11am followed by a burial at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his memory to the Norwood Food Pantry 150 Chapel St. Norwood, MA 02062. www.norwoodpantry.org



McCARTHY-BEADES



Kathleen A. of Norwood, November 25, 2022. Beloved wife of James Beades. Loving mother of Cole J. and Maura C. both of Norwood. Cherished daughter of Johanna K. (Sheehan) of Norwood and the late Daniel J. McCarthy, Jr. Sister of Mary Hennigan and her husband Thomas of Norwood, Joni Petrozelli and her husband Michael of Wrentham, John McCarthy and his wife Denise of Mansfield, and Noreen Guilfoyle and her husband Dennis of Dedham. Sister-in-law of William, John, Edmond and Michael. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St. West Roxbury In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to the Leukemia Research Foundation at leukemiarf.org.

MESSINA

Paolo of Norwood, formerly of Brighton, November 24, 2022. Formerly of Palermo, Italy. Beloved husband of the late Francesca (Mansueto) Messina. Devoted father of Lisa Stapleton and her husband Michael of Norwood. Nonno to Sgt. Michael A. Stapleton, U.S. Army, and his wife Jaritza of Savannah, GA and Joseph P. Stapleton of Norwood. Great-grandfather of Luca M. Stapleton. Brother of the late Domenico Messina, Maria Messina, Rosa Messina. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Funeral from the P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre Street, West Roxbury. Interment in St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Paolo's memory to American Heart Association, PO Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284.

MITCHELL



PHYLLIS, M. (Helvitz) of Norwood, formerly of Dedham and W. Roxbury, passed away surrounded by her loving family on November 27, 2022 at the age of 83. Beloved and adoring wife

of Donald F. Mitchell. Loving mother of 2, Dennis P. Mitchell and his wife Nadine of Canton and Pamela F. Willis and her husband Jon of Norwood. Sister of Gerard "Gerry" Helvitz of Dedham, Susan Peluso of Walpole, Johnny Helvitz of NV and the late Marianne Buckley. Cherished grandmother of Sean, Brianna, Evan, Brendan and Kyle. Daughter of the late Francis and Alice (Winston) Helvitz. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Phyllis grew up in West Roxbury and graduated from Hyde Park High School in 1957. She went on to earn a degree later in life from Boston College in 2000. Phyllis was also a member of the Crusaders Drum and Bugle Corp of Boston. Phyllis met her husband of 61 years in 1955. Their marriage was a true love story. They began their adventure in Los Angeles then eventually ended up in Dedham to start a family and moved to Norwood where they have been for the past 40 years. Phyllis and Donny enjoyed many years of traveling to Hawaii, being their special place together. Phyllis is much loved by many family and friends and took great pride in being a Mother and a Nana. We know we can't have you forever but are happy knowing that the angels finally have you back. Goodbye to a wonderful woman and beautiful wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood, Friday December 2, 2022 at 9am followed by a funeral mass at 10am at St. Oscar Romero Parish, Canton, MA. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, December 1, 2022 from 4-6pm. Burial will be at Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton, MA.

PHELAN



Elizabeth E. (Doyle), of Walpole, passed away on November 20, 2022 at the age of 81. Beloved wife of the late John "Jack" V. Phelan. Devoted mother of John V. Phelan Jr. and his wife Marilyn of Walpole, Deborah A. Roche and her husband Steven of East Walpole, Karen M. Purpura and her partner James Stella of

Deaths

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Director of Maintenance and Modernization

The Norwood Housing Authority is seeking an energetic and dependable candidate to assume the lead role in our Maintenance Department as The Director of Maintenance and Modernization. This is a highly responsible position in which the incumbent is expected to oversee the Norwood Housing Authority's entire housing portfolio of 481 units. The portfolio consists of 238 State Elderly/Disabled Housing, 75 State Family Housing, 96 Federal Elderly Housing, and 72 Section 8 New Construction/Substantial Rehab Housing. This position has management responsibilities covering a wide range of duties including the supervision of 9 permanent maintenance employees in their performance of their duties.

The ability to lift items up to 75lbs is required. A valid Massachusetts driver's license is also required. Incumbent will be required to obtain a MCPPO (Massachusetts Certified Public Purchasing Official) designation within one year of hire. A full job description is available on the NHA website. (www.norwoodha.org) This is a 40-hour position with benefits. The starting salary for this position is \$102,814.40 which is set by the Mass. Executive Office of Workforce Development.

Resume and Cover Letter should be submitted before 4:00pm on Friday December 9, 2022 via email at sbarnicle@norwoodha.org or by mail to:

Norwood Housing Authority
Attn: Sean Barnicle – Executive Director
40 William Shyne Circle
Norwood, MA 02062

Satisfactory Criminal Offender Record Information report, (CORI), and preemployment physical are conditions of employment. EEO/AA



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

St. Jude's Novena

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

Miracle Prayer

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

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MANY PRAYER CHOICES AVAILABLE

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Walpole and Michael P. Phelan and his wife Donna of Foxboro. Daughter of the late Marie (Giampa) Doyle. Sister of John Doyle of Canton, Francis Doyle of West Hyannis Port and the late Sister Marie (Bobby) Luetcher. Cherished grandmother of 8 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home 1248 Washington St. Norwood. Interment at St. Francis Cemetery, Walpole, MA. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105-9959.

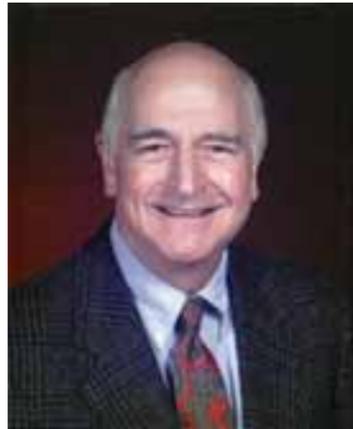
TWOMEY



Florence T. (Sullivan) of Norwood, formerly of Chelsea and Revere, passed away on November 19, 2022 at the age of 94. Beloved wife of the late Matthew J. Twomey, Sr. Devoted mother of Daniel J. Twomey and his wife Ginny of Norwood, Michael G. Twomey and his wife Lynne of Marshfield, Matthew J. Twomey, Jr. and his wife Debbie of Norwood, Lynne E. Dixon and her husband Mark of Wrentham and the late Mary S. Marshall and her late husband Richard. Sister of Edna McCauley of Melrose and the late Claire McKenna, Carol Mendez, Ellen Thornton, Mar-

garet Nickerson, Elizabeth Petony, Leonard Sullivan, Raymond Sullivan, Larry Sullivan, John Sullivan, Edward Sullivan, William Sullivan, Leo Sullivan, James Sullivan and Martin Sullivan. Cherished grandmother of Mark, Kevin, Lee, Jenna, Jonathan, Patrick, and Jeffrey. Adoring Gigi of Daniel, Allison and Shea. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Florence was a graduate of Immaculate Conception High School in Revere and was an active member at the Norwood Senior Center. Funeral from Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., Norwood, MA 02062. Interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett, MA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Florence's name to the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood, MA 02062.

WILLIAMSON



Robert Russell "Russ" II, of Norwood, passed away peacefully on November 22, 2022, at the age of 85, surrounded by his loving family. Born June 23, 1937 to Margaret (Colby) and Robert W. Williamson, Russ was proud to be a lifelong resident of Norwood. He is survived by his beloved wife of 61 years, Lee (Chamberlin), and his three sons. Mark and his wife Mary of Norfolk and their

The Norwood Record children Kevin, Sam and Paul; Scott of Newton; and Todd and his wife Liz of Westwood and their children Holden, Avery and Graham. He was predeceased by his sisters, Margie Kinnard and Molly Crawley. Russ is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Russ graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and The Wharton School of Business, class of 1960. After graduation, Russ returned to Norwood and joined his father in the family printing business, T.O. Metcalf of Boston. He spent his entire career in the printing industry and was beloved by co-workers, customers, and vendors alike. Russ also followed in the footsteps of his father and grandfather, serving on the Board of Directors at the Norwood Bank for 34 years. He proudly served his country in the Massachusetts Air National Guard. He was very involved in his community. He held a variety of roles at his church, the First Congregational of Norwood, where he made lifelong friends and enjoyed singing in the choir. He also sang in a barbershop chorus for many years, traveling to competitions around the country. Russ loved nothing more than spending time with his family, working in the yard, playing tennis, traveling, and sailing. Russ and Lee loved spending time at a family cottage on Lake Sunapee, NH, and in their later years, they enjoyed time at their vacation home in Mashpee. Funeral Services will be private. A Memorial Service will be held at the First Congregational Church, 100 Winter Street, Norwood on Saturday, January 21, 2023 at 11:00 AM. The family wishes to thank the dedicated staff at New Pond Village, especially at Aldridge Memory Care. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association at ALZ.org.

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BIG END-OF-YEAR EVENT OF NORWOOD 150 CONCERT!

On Thursday, December 8, at 7:30 pm, Norwood 150 will present a Winter Holiday Concert at Norwood Theatre. Tickets are \$10 and are on sale at the Senior Center and the Morrill Memorial Library.

Featured performers include the following: Gainsborough Brass Ensemble, Amici Cantores and Norwood Community Chorale, both directed by Catherine Connor-Moen with Accompanist Robert McDonough, and Grace Allendorff, Soprano (who had been scheduled for the Norwood 150 events at the beginning of the year but had to cancel for COVID safety).

FRIENDS DECEMBER MONTHLY BALLROOM DANCE

The Friends of the Norwood Council on Aging will be sponsoring their December monthly dance, on Friday, December 16th, at 7 p.m. at the Norwood Senior Center, 275 Prospect St., Norwood. Music will be provided by Dave Valerio and the cost is \$10.00 per person for your Ballroom Dancing pleasure. Coffee, tea & desserts are served & there are also door prizes. We look forward to welcoming newcomers.

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

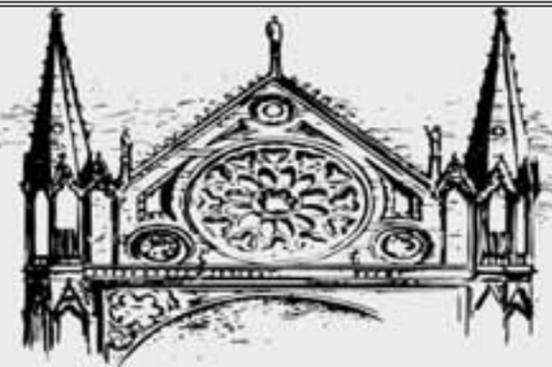
TOYS FOR TOTS PARTY!

The party is scheduled for Saturday, December 10th, 2022 from 7 pm to Midnight at the Norwood V.F.W. Post #2452 at 193 Dean Street, Norwood, MA. We ask people to bring an unwrapped, non-violent, new toy, for a deserving tot. Tickets are \$5/person at the door with a gift, and \$10/person without a gift.

Music is generously being provided by the bands East of Yonder and a collaboration of Round House and Tumblin Dice. We will also have a 50/50 Cash Raffle, Cash Bar, light snacks on each table, and a door prize.

All proceeds will be donated to the Toys for Tots Boston Chapter Organization. If you would like more information, have questions, etc., please contact me @ 617-510-5360.

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Ask The Doctor

Junior Damato began servicing vehicles in 1969. He owns an 8-bay center in Middleboro, MA. Junior is an ASE-certified Master Technician, ASE-certified L-1 and ASE-certified Natural Gas.

Hyundai Elantra

Hyundai has been building cars for many years and at the beginning we all know they were less than good. That's changed big time over the last few years. I spent the week in a 2022 Elantra model N M/T. This is a 4 door, real performance sports car. Body style is sleek. Cyber Gray paint is a perfect color, at no extra cost with red outline on body trim, and large dual exhaust tips. The interior seats 4. Front seats are sport seats that you would find in high price import cars. This model also has large dash and touch screen Bose audio system, multi mode electronic suspension, and performance exhaust mode that when opened is loud and that I never got tired of. Rev matching when down shifting. Power comes from a 2.0 liter twin scroll turbo charger pumping out 276 usable Horsepower at any RPM no turbo lag. The clutch pedal is easy to push down and grabs smoothly. The shifter has short throws and very smooth. There are 14 inch front brakes, 12 inch rear, 19 inch summer tires, LED lights, heated front seats, steering hub controls and much more. This is a car that you would have to drive to appreciate, I enjoyed my week in it. The power train would make a great rear drive sports car like a Miata. One last note the Summer Michelin Pilot sport 4S Summer tires are Not for winter driving. Priced at only \$32,945 all in. it's a great car. 10 year, 100,000 power train warranty.

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

Monday, November 21

1134 Initiated - Susp Person Spoken To Location/Address: Cleveland School - George Willet Pkwy N661 to speak to a male party that is walking outside the school. N661 spoke to that party he was just cutting through. He refused to ID himself and was advised.

1612 Phone - Assist Citizen Assisted Party Location/Address: Engamore Ln Party retrieving property from apartment.

1649 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Ridgewood Dr Party unable to reach his friend. Officer spoke with that party's daughter. He is currently in the hospital.

2126 Radio - Unwanted Party Services Rendered Vicinity of: St Joseph Ave + Washington St N664 flagged down by MBTA driver reporting they have a passenger who is refusing to get off the bus. N664 provided male party a courtesy transport to 585 Nichols St. No further incident.

2235 Initiated - Motor Vehicle Stop *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Big Y Foods, Inc. - Walpole St Ma Reg 4RAA69 Arrest: Pego, Udson Address: 45 Bennet Dr Apt. #9 Stoughton, Ma Age: 52 Charges: Warrant Arrest Unlicensed Operation Of MV

Tuesday, November 22

0714 911 - Disturbance *Report Filed Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Caller reports she got into an argument with a friend who then started to damage her prop-

erty. Party left in MA PC 3PR882, N674 stops same by Moderna entrance.

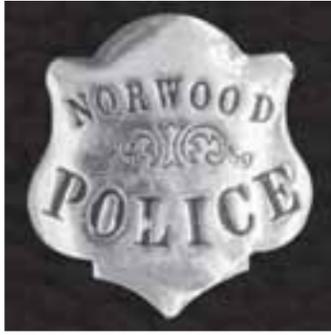
1338 911 - Report Of Fight Services Rendered Location/Address: Coakley Middle School Washington St School called requesting police to respond for a child that is causing a disturbance. N435, as S.R.O., and shift units N664, N663 sent. N435, with principal on board, transports 1 child to their Norwest Woods home. N664, N663 stood by at school for mother to come for the other student. N435 reports it was a fight, parties separated, school will handle.

1619 Phone - Elder Abuse *Report Filed Location/Address: Norwood Healthcare - Washington St Administrator reports allegation of abuse between staff and patient.

1720 Initiated - Motor Vehicle Stop *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: E Cottage St + Broadway St MA PC 62CM78. As a result, N499 places 1 party under arrest. N669 transported party to station. Don & Wally's towed MA PC 62CM78. Arrest: Igoe, Sean Thomas Address: 27 French St Westwood, Ma Age: 51 Charges: Stop/Yield, Fail To * C89 S9 Unlicensed Operation Of MV C90 S10 Warrant Arrest

1949 Phone - Susp Activity *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Norwest Dr Report of a white female in a black sedan using a lighter inside, rocking back and forth. As a result, N499 placed occupant of MA PC 711PX3 under arrest. N661 transported her to the station S/M 36616 at 2011,

Police Logs



E/M 36617.5 at 2017. Arrest: McCormack, Kelly F Address: 1316 Norwest Dr Apt. #1316 Norwood, Ma Age: 46 Charges: Drug, Possess Class B, SUBSQ.OFF.

2105 Other - Susp Person Spoken To Location/Address: Broadway Package Store - Broadway Suspicious individual at liquor store. Spoken to and checks out; moved along.

Wednesday, November 23

0539 911 - Assist Citizen *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: Pleasant St Caller reports male party did not pay for his ride share. Male placed under arrest on warrants. Units then learn he took pills. NFD notified. As a result, male party was transported to Faulkner Hospital with N661 on board and N674 following. 1051 Hrs- N674, with N661 on board, transports to Dedham District Court. Arrest: Decosta, Anthony F Address: 120 Pleasant St Norwood, Ma Age: 35 Charges: Warrant Arrest

1652 Phone - Pedestrian Accident *Report Filed Location/Address: Washington St Multiple reports of a pedestrian struck by a vehicle. NFD notified and responded. Walpole PD notified and assisted with road closure. NFD escorted to Norwood Airport to transfer patient to Medflight to go to Tufts Medical Center. ACO responded to scene for pedestrian's dog. DPW responded with traffic cones. MBTA busses re-routed. MSP, BCI responded.

2012 Walk-In - Assaults *Report Filed Location/Address: Nahatan St Party in the lobby reports her boyfriend is in her car, in the visitor's lot, bleeding from the leg. NFD notified and responded. Party transported to Beth Israel Hospital in Needham. N661 states injury is a result of a confrontation that occurred in the vicinity of CVS.

2338 Phone - Harassment Spoken To Location/Address: Liberty Ln Caller reports her daughter is being harassed, caller believes party is driving a small white sedan. N669 spoke to that party and she was advised.

Thursday, November 24

0101 Walk-In - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Avalon Apartments - Lenox St Party in lobby states sister will not let him back into his apartment. N669 escorted party back to residence and spoke to both parties who agreed to stay away from each other for the night. 0106 911 - Larceny Services Rendered Location/Address: ROJO Co Inc DBA Cravings On The Go - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller reports black male took a bottle of alcohol and left the

store. B/M wearing grey sweat pants and sweatshirt left in a grey vehicle southbound on Rt 1. N667 states no theft, party left correct amount of money, town by-law violation. N667 and N663 will check area. 1006 Initiated - Motor Vehicle Stop Verbal Warning Location/Address: Municipal Lot - Nahatan St + Broadway Operator spun tires on E Cottage then parks in Municipal Lot. Operator spoken to and discovered he is suspended. He will have owner come pick up the vehicle.

22-31141 1215 Phone - Well Being Chk Area Search Negative Location/Address: Jr High North/ Savage Center - Prospect St Caller reports a female in white pushing a carriage and yelling she has no place to go.

Friday, November 25

0902 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Nahatan St Caller requests check of mother whom he has not been able to contact since last night. N663 reports party is OK, phone was shut off.

1230 Phone - Assist Citizen Spoken To Location/Address: Ocean State Job Lot - Bos-Prov Hwy Caller seeking advice on employee who may have been intoxicated. 1823 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Wickham Way Caller reports her son left the apartment on foot with her cell phone and is not acting himself. Upon arrival that party has returned to the apartment. N661 reports that party checks out fine parents are satisfied.

Saturday, November 26

0101 Initiated - Motor Vehicle Stop *Arrest(S)Made Location/Address: South - Bos-Prov Hwy MA PC TCJ671. As a result N669 returns to the station with one male party under arrest. Don and Wallys tow's that vehicle. Arrest: Stapleton, Donald M Address: 26 Bond St Reading, Ma Age: 53 Charges: OUI-Liquor OR .08% Marked Lanes Violation 0415 911 - Motor Vehicle Accident Police & Fire Notified/Respond Location/Address: Morse St Caller reports he struck the bridge with his TT unit. CSX notified and will send someone out to check the bridge. Truck did make it under the bridge some items on the bed of the truck did hit the bridge but stayed on the bed of the truck.

0729 Phone - Well Being Chk *Protective Custody Location/Address: River Ridge Dr Caller reports a male party is unsteady on his feet. FD notified to check this party out he was possibly out all night.

0853 Walk-In - Harassment Spoken To Location/Address: Howard St Walk in reports harassing text messages as well as seeking to return property and receive her own. Party advised, property to be exchanged at NPD.

1003 Phone - Well Being Chk Services Rendered Location/Address: Norwest Dr ELMO reports missed scam test at 0700 hours. Officers respond to check well being. Girlfriend reports she has not seen party in a couple of days.

1525 911 - Threats Transported To Hospital Location/Address: Wickham Way Caller reports suspicious male approached his vehicle and made hostile remarks. Party

involved voluntarily transported to hospital for mental health evaluation.

Sunday, November 27

0246 Walk-In - Susp Activity Could Not Locate Location/Address: Avalon Apartments - Guild St + Lenox St Walk-in reports that in the lobby area to Avalon Apts. across from Riverside, there is a Fed-ex package on floor with holes poked in it. N677 responded, checked the lobby and the mail area. Nothing was found fitting that description of pkg.

0330 Phone - Susp Activity Spoken To Location/Address: Mcdonalds - Everett/Rte1 - Bos-Prov Hwy Uber driver reports there is an out of state vehicle about 3 car lengths before the ordering mike and may possibly is in distress or asleep as cars are honking horns and he is not moving. N663 responded and located driver who stated he was tired and just got out of work. He stated he was fine and moved along.

0338 Phone - Prisoner Transport *Arrest(S)Made Location: Boston P.D. N665, N661 responded to Boston P.D. to pick-up a prisoner under arrest and transport back to the station. (ref: 1338-of) Arrest: Hamway, John D Address: 15 Father Jacobbe Rd Apt. #636 East Boston, Ma Age: 32 Charges: Warrant Arrest 0953 Phone - Well Being Chk Spoken To Location/Address: Nichols St Report party did not take his required breath test at 0800 Hrs., and is not answering phone. N665 reports he was asleep and will now take the test.

1058 911 - Neighbor Disturbance Taken/Referred To Other Agency Location/Address: Olde Derby Rd Report neighbor is yelling and she thinks it is directed at her. N665 reports cannot substantiate the allegation, information passed on to Riverside Clinician assigned to the Dept.

1112 Phone - Citizens Complaint Services Rendered Location/Address: Cottage St Report sounds of gun shots from town dump area. N661 sent. N665 reports he heard same and probably from gun club in Walpole. Walpole has no reports of gun shots. N661 informed caller.

1200 911 - Harassment Spoken To Location/Address: Lansdowne Way Report resident in Apt. 102 keeps making banging noises and comes to their door and yells at them through the door. N661 spoke to all parties, advised of their options. 1419 911 - Disturbance Spoken To Location/Address: Nahatan St Report female crying and male yelling about pie. N669 reports they both left before officer's arrival. 1433 Hrs N664 locates them on Nahatan/Monroe. N664 reports both claim they were just speaking loudly.

1534 911 - Fire Alarm Fire Dept Notified/Responded Location/Address: Winslow Ave Report domestic and assault in progress. N665 spoke to all parties, verbal only.

1808 Phone - Assist Citizen Services Rendered Location/Address: Upland Woods Cir Caller reports an elderly male wandered into his apartment, that party is unsure what apartment is his. N669 reports a family member did arrive and he is safely in his apartment.

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Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) shall be submitted electronically at www.Projectdog.com, project code 850272. Hard copies will not be accepted by Projectdog Inc. or by the Awarding Authority. Tutorials and instructions are available online at www.Projectdog.com.

Estimated Cost: **\$119.5 Million**

Qualification: **DCAM Certificate**

Contact Information:

Name: Anissa Ellis, Compass Project Management

Phone: 781-223-2659, Fax 508-589-6171

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Project:

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Plans/Specifications:

TRADE Contractor Request for Qualifications will be available **Wednesday, 12/7/22** via **www.Projectdog.com, project code 850272.**

Submission Deadline: 1/10/23 Time 1:00pm

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REGISTER O'DONNELL ANNOUNCES TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

Believing that the true spirit of the holidays is based on giving, Norfolk County Register of Deeds William P. O'Donnell announced today that the Registry will be sponsoring its 15th Annual U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots drive. "The registry is proud to partner with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve to help deliver a happy Christmas to children this holiday season," said Register O'Donnell. "Also, we thank the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve and all our Military personnel for their service."

Donations of new toys and games for toddlers and children up to age ten can be brought directly to the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds building located at 649 High St. in Dedham from Monday, November 21, 2022, until noon on Wednesday, December 7, 2022. A marked donation bin will be set up in the lobby, which is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH TO HOLD LUCIA FEST

This December, as part of Norwood's 150th celebration, we will be holding a Lucia Fest. It is a Swedish Festival that celebrates St Lucia who is the bringer of light. We are doing it as part of the town's celebration in recognition of Emmanuel's Swedish ancestry and the Swedes who first came to that section of town and formed Swedesville.

Our event will be Sunday, December 11th at 4pm and will include a small play/pageant in our sanctuary followed by some treats in our fellowship hall.

FREE LEGAL CLINIC

The Bar Association of Norfolk County's next Free Legal Clinic will be in person on Tuesday, December 6, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Quincy District Court, 1 Dennis Ryan Pkwy, MA for those in need of legal assistance. Attorneys experienced in all areas of the law will be available for a free one on one confidential consultation, to those who have questions or concerns regarding a legal issue.

HELP LIGHT 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, Decem-

ber 3, on the Town Common from 4 - 6pm. Continuing a Norwood tradition begun 21 years ago, the members of the Circle of Hope Foundation say the luminaries are a symbol of Life, Hope, the Season, and Remembrance of others. Last year more than 2000 luminaries were lit on the town common.

Luminaries can be purchased for \$5.00 each by sending your payment to COH, PO BOX 421, Norwood, MA 02062 or by stopping by Murph's Place Restaurant at 58 Broadway, Norwood. You may include a brief message of life, hope, the season or remembrance to be written on the luminary. The candles will be lit beginning at 4:00 pm and the Foundation members welcome residents and friends to come out and see this beautiful site.

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

Library Notes

SENSORY-FRIENDLY MOVIE ON 16TH

The Morrill Memorial Library is offering an in-person sensory-friendly movie on the 4th Friday of the month for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Due to December holidays, the movie will be held on the 3rd Friday in December. Join us for our Sensory-friendly Friday Movie at the Library, a program specially designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This program will be held in-person in the Simoni Room on Friday December 16, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Our December movie in the Sensory-friendly Friday series is the holiday classic 'Elf', rated PG. The Morrill Memorial Library and Lifeworks Inc of Norwood are excited to bring this program series to the Norwood community. We will be showing a movie in a sensory-friendly and inclusive environment on the last Friday of the month for adults with developmental disabilities. Registration is required. This event is recommended for attendees aged 18 and up.

CREATIVE ARTS WORKSHOP: ETHEREAL FABRIC FLOWERS

The Morrill Memorial Library is excited to host an in-person unique program called Ethereal Fabric Flowers on Tuesday December 6th, from 6 pm to 7.30 pm. Dazzle your friends and family by learning how to create artificial flowers out of stocking (nylon) material. In this workshop, you will learn the art and techniques of stretching the stockings to create petals of different shapes. With the help of leaves and stems, you can arrange the petals to create a beautiful flower that you will take home. At the end of the event, you will feel confident to create your own flowers to adorn your home during the holidays. The instructor, Arati Paranjpe, is a Norwood resident, an interior designer, blogger, and a computer engineer. She is also an active member of the Norwood Cultural Council. Visit her website <https://dhimahi.info/> for more information. This program is free of charge and open to everyone aged 18 and older. All materials will be provided. This program is being generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Registration is required, and starts on November 7th at 9 am. Please visit the Morrill Memorial Library events calendar at norwoodlibrary.org/morrillcalendar, or call the Reference desk at 781-769-0200 x2.

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