

Stoughton Town Crier

TOWN OF STOUGHTON UPDATED APRIL 29, 2024 ROBERTA HARBACK



All information taken from various Town of Stoughton pages

Stoughton you should be so proud!



We had 250 volunteers
out there on this
beautiful day.

Thank you to all who came out.

Thank you to all our
sponsors as well.
This was a very successful
Beautification of Stoughton

Clean Up Day.

Stoughton Recreation Department
Walnut Tree Maltby and Company

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Riley Brothers

Hersee Excavation

CW Welch Memorial Fish & Game

Stoughton Co-op

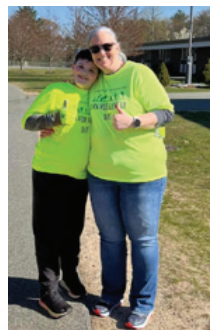
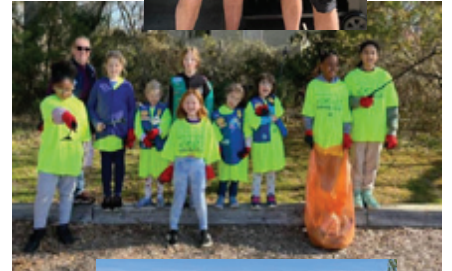
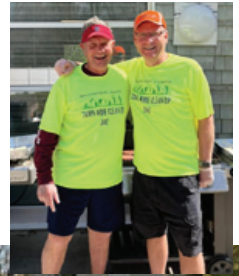
Abington Bank

Sam's Getty

Dana Barros Basketball

Polillio's Garden Center

Bossard



TOWN-WIDE CLEAN UP DAY

MSBA APPROVES NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT



Stoughton Public Schools

April 25, 2024

We are excited to share that the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Board of Directors voted to approve the project scope and budget for the new elementary school building project at its meeting on April 24.

This vote included approval of the plan to build a new elementary school to accommodate a larger enrollment, allowing us to go from the current number of five elementary schools to four elementary schools (the new building along with the Dawe, Gibbons, and Hansen). This vote also makes the town eligible for more than \$47 million in funding from the state.

Obtaining MSBA Board approval is a significant milestone in the project timeline. The next steps are to get approval of the project from Town Meeting members in May and from Stoughton voters in June.

“This is a step forward for the students of SPS as we provide the opportunity to build our first 21st century elementary school. This has the potential to provide long term gains for students and the community. We, the Stoughton Elementary School Building Committee, are thankful for the positive vote of the MSBA Board of Directors and Treasurer Goldberg,” Superintendent of Schools Dr. Joseph Baeta said.

There will also be a public forum sharing the latest
updates about this project on
Monday, April 29 at 6:30pm
at the current South Elementary School, 171 Ash St.
All SPS families, Stoughton residents, and Town Meeting members are invited to attend.

**STOUGHTON COMMUNITY
PRESERVATION COMMITTEE &
HEBREW SENIORLIFE**

**Invite you to a public information
session to learn about
Hebrew SeniorLife's proposed
development on
Canton & Simpson Streets**

**MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024
7:00PM-9:00PM**

**GREAT HALL- 3RD FLOOR
STOUGHTON TOWN HALL
10 PEARL STREET**

Light refreshments will be provided
For more information
stoughton@hsl.harvard.edu | 617.363.8316
hebrewseniorlife.org/Stoughton

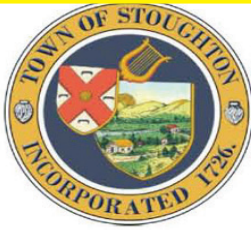
The Power to Redefine Aging.



**Hebrew
SeniorLife**



**HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL
AFFILIATE**



Taxes Due *Wednesday May 1st* **Town of Stoughton**

OFFICE OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

10 Pearl Street • Stoughton, MA 02072 • (781) 341-1300 • FAX (781) 341-1032

The Treasurer/Collector, Paula Nute, has announced the 4th quarter Fiscal Year 2024 REAL ESTATE and PERSONAL PROPERTY tax bills are due May 1, 2024, and must be received in the Collectors' office or at the PO Box in Medford on or before this date.

A postmark date is not acceptable as payment made if payment is not received in the Collectors' office or at the PO Box in Medford by May 1, 2024.

The 3rd and 4th quarter tax remittances were mailed in the same envelope on December 30, 2023.

When sending payment(s) to the Lockbox address in Medford, checks AND tax remittances MUST BE SENT. PLEASE do not send checks only to the Medford address. If there are no remittances with the check(s), the payment cannot be processed and will be returned to Town Hall for processing. This will delay the payment(s) from being applied to your tax bill(s).

When processing a payment online through your bank, you MUST include the bill number, year, and type in the Memo field (for example, Bill #25, 2024 real estate or personal property) so your payment will be properly applied.

When paying multiple bills through your bank, you must include each bill number. If this information is not included on your check, your check may be returned to you, and interest may accrue due to a late payment.

Online bank payment checks must be mailed to Town of Stoughton PO Box 9108 Stoughton MA 02072.

There is a secured payment drop box outside Town Hall on Pearl St. The payment drop box is emptied two to three times a day, once in the morning and once in the afternoon, and if needed, once before leaving the office.

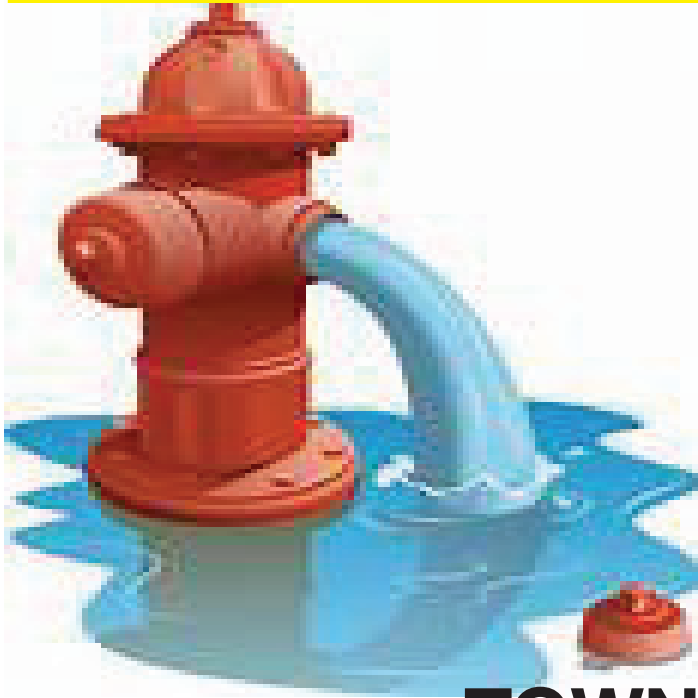
Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills may be paid online at:

<https://www.stoughton.org/home/pages/pay-bills-online>

The Collector's Office is now accepting payments by credit and debit cards in the Collector's Office for all tax and water, sewer, trash bills. There is a 3% fee if a card is used to process a payment.

All Fiscal Year 2024 Real Estate and Personal Property taxes remaining unpaid after their respective due dates are subject to 14% per annum interest.

Please call 781-341-1300 X 9222 if you need your bill number(s) and or amount(s) due. The Collector staff are available by phone and in person Monday through Wednesday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Thursday from 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM, and Friday from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM.



Town of Stoughton Hydrant Flushing

TOWN WIDE

Water Main Flushing Program starting on Monday April 29, 2024 continuing through June 7, 2024

This will be going on during the work week only.

The times will vary depending on the location.

The majority of the work will be done in the evening between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m. and during the day between 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

This activity will cause discolored water in varying degrees in sections of the town. Persons who experience water discoloration should flush their systems by opening the cold water faucet for a few minutes and then waiting for about an hour. If the water is still not clear, they should repeat the flushing procedure.

The Water Department regrets that it cannot be responsible for any damages incurred as a result of the flushing activity, which is a necessary and normal maintenance function of the Water Department.

Stoughton Water Department

Philip A. McNulty, P.E., Superintendent

TURN SPOILS TO SOIL WITH CURBSIDE COMPOST



Pre-register to start a compost route in Stoughton

The first 90
signups will get a
**FREE
STARTER KIT**
courtesy of
the town



Reduce Your Waste by 30%

PRE-REGISTER AT [BLACKEARTHCOMPOST.COM](https://blackearthcompost.com)



COMPOST ALL FOOD SCRAPS



FREE BAG OF COMPOST

WEEKLY PICK UP PLANS

\$20.99 / MONTH OR

\$114.99 / 6 MONTHS

THE PRICE LOWERS FOR ALL
WHEN 400 HOUSEHOLDS ENROLL

Veteran & Spouses Coffee Hour

FRIDAY 5/3
10-11:30 AM

RECREATION DEPARTMENT, 15 PLEASANT ST

All are welcome!

Connect with other Veteran's
in town, their families, and
learn how Stoughton's
Veteran's Services can
best serve you



Stoughton Veterans' Services
can assist Veterans and their
families as they navigate
services and support



www.stoughton.org/veterans-services

STOUGHTON PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS:

A SOUTH SHORE CAMERA CLUB PHOTOTOUR

The ultimate staycation. Tour the world from the comfort of your own library!

ALASKA

with
Carol Smith



THURSDAY, MAY 9th
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Registration recommended

Click on the date above or visit
<https://www.stoughton.org/55/Attend>
to sign up.



STOUGHTON PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS:

JACK NICHOLSON:

with Stoughton film historian Frank Mandosa.

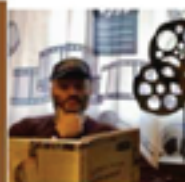
A look at the film career of one of the most iconic actors of his generation.



THURSDAY, MAY 16th
6:30 PM - 8:15 PM ON ZOOM

Please visit <https://www.stoughton.org/596/Attend> to sign up.

A Zoom link will be sent 1 day prior to the program.



High school English & Film teacher Frank Mandosa gives talks on a wide variety of film-related topics & has 2 movie podcasts, Silver Screeners (host) & Moves Across the Pod (co-host). Facebook movie group: "Silver Screeners" Twitter: @Minbu11974 Email: silverscreenerspod@gmail.com www.frankmandosa.weebly.com

May 2nd, 2024
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
7:00 p.m.
AT O'DONNELL MIDDLE SCHOOL
211 CUSHING STREET
ALL TOWN MEETING REPS

Any member who attends and has not been sworn will be sworn in at that time.

CAUCUS FOR **PRECINCTS 1,2, & 7** WILL BE HELD AT THIS ORGANIZATIONAL TOWN MEETING. ANYONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN BEING A REPRESENTATIVE FROM **PRECINCTS 1,2, & 7** SHOULD SUBMIT LETTERS OF INTEREST TO THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE FOR CONSIDERATION. ATTENDANCE IS **MANDATORY** FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO BE CAUCUSED IN.

Precinct 1 has 6 seats open

Precinct 2 has 1 seat open

Precinct 7 has 4 seats open

ALL OTHER PRECINCTS ARE FILLED.

Letters of interest should be received by the Clerk's Office by 12:00 noon on Wednesday May 1st, 2024. Letters can be mailed or emailed to the attention of the Town Clerk's Office.

10 Pearl Street, Stoughton MA 02072

srego@stoughton-ma.gov

Any questions, please contact the Town Clerks Office at 781-341-1300
x9214, x9215 or 9224

Samantha Rego, Acting Town Clerk

MUSEUM & PARK PASSES

FREE
WITH YOUR
LIBRARY CARD!



Passes for free or discounted museum and park admission are available to adult OCLN card holders in good standing.

Reserve Online or Call
Stoughton.org/library
781-344-2711

Stoughton Council on Aging

110 Rockland Street, Stoughton, MA



Wednesday, May 15th
10AM-1PM



It's time to register!

Dog Licenses

The deadline to
register/re-register
your dogs is
May 1st by 4:30 p.m.





ENJOY TIME AWAY AT THE BRIGHT DAY CAFÉ

BRIGHT DAY CAFÉ
Second Thursday| 1:00-2:30PM
Stoughton Council on Aging
110 Rockland St, Stoughton

BRIGHTVIEW
SENIOR LIVING
CANTON

Brightview Canton, in partnership with The Stoughton Council on Aging and the Old Colony YMCA, brings to Stoughton and the surrounding area the Bright Day Café. This is a welcoming space for people living with dementia or memory loss and their care partners. The Bright Day Café is designed to engage and entertain all who attend in a safe and welcoming atmosphere where we focus on strengths and forget about limitations. Join us on the second Thursday of each month for refreshments, conversation, and fun.



Thursday, May 9, 2024 1:00 - 2:30pm
Live music performed by Howie Newman
Contact Theresa to RSVP.
781.298.3407





Chippable Brush Days

every Saturday in the month of May from 8am to 3pm

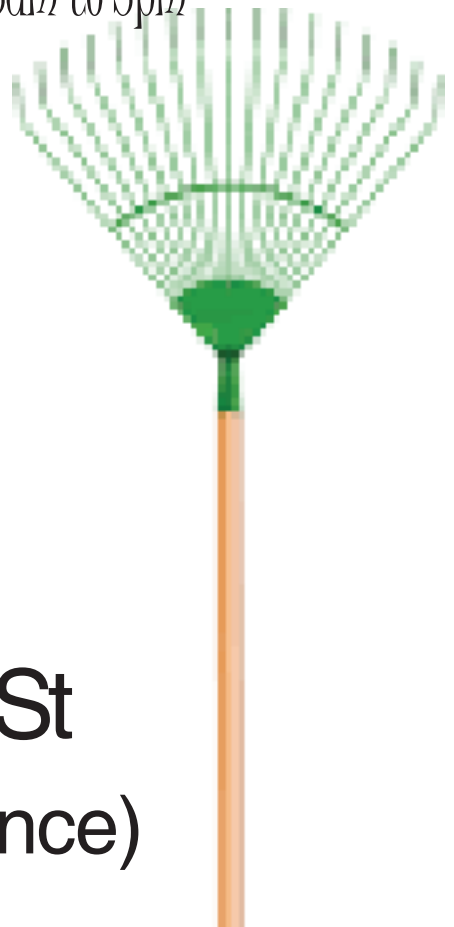
Saturday May 4th • 8-3

Saturday May 11th • 8-3

Saturday May 18th • 8-3

Saturday May 25th • 8-3

1240 Washington St
(across from Canton Fence)



2024 Annual Town Meeting Session Calendar

All 2024 Annual Town Meeting sessions will be held in person in the
Stoughton High School auditorium located at 232 Pearl Street

Sign-in starts at 6:30 p.m. ~ Opening Gavel 7:00 p.m.

Open Meeting Law prohibit Town Boards meeting while Town Meeting is in session.

FACE MASKS ARE OPTIONAL

May				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6 ATM 1 ST Session		8 ATM 2 ND Session		
13 ATM 3 RD Session		15 ATM 4 TH Session		
20 ATM 5 TH Session (If Needed)		22 ATM 6 TH Session (If Needed)		
		29 ATM 7 TH Session (If Needed)		

**NOTE: A Special Town Meeting Will Be Held Within the
Annual Town Meeting**

ORGANIZATIONAL TOWN MEETING WILL BE ON
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 202 AT 7:00 PM
O'DONNELL MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
211 CUSHING STREET



On Tuesday, April 30th at 7 P.M. the Selectboard is hosting an Information Session

in the Great Hall **regarding the use of debt** and it's impact on the budget, taxes and the Capital Plan. Our keynote speaker is Cinder McNerney, Managing Director Hilltop Securities. Hilltop has served as the Financial Advisor to the Town of Stoughton for several years. Cinder's financial knowledge and insight on Stoughton's financial condition makes her an authority on our debt strategy. We have always valued her Counsel.

Please contact Gilda at
781-341-1300 ext 9212 or
gpereira@stoughton-ma.gov
if you plan to attend, so that we can plan
for seating and refreshments.

Thank You,
Tom Calter

