

Stoughton Town Crier

TOWN OF STOUGHTON UPDATED NOVEMBER 28, 2022 ROBERTA HARBACK



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Town Meeting • Tonight

Hello Town Meeting Member,

We have a

Special Town Meeting

that has been scheduled for

Monday, November 28, 2022.

The meeting will start at 7:00PM in-person at the
Stoughton High School Auditorium.

We should be able to complete the meeting in one night if at all possible.

As a backup plan, Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 7:00PM has also been reserved at the High School Auditorium in case there is a second night of Town Meeting.

As we get closer to the actual start of the Special Town Meeting, please continue to check the Town of Stoughton Website for any updates on the Special Town Meeting. As we did the last several Town Meetings, we will use a Virtual Table for Special Town Meeting documents. The Virtual Table will be created and made available on the Town's website.

If this is not the email address that you want us to use for Town Meeting information, please let me know. As always, any changes to your email address or other relevant information, please keep the Town Clerk (scarrara@stoughton-ma.gov) and the Town Moderator (bmullen@stoughton-ma.gov) informed.

Thank you.

Bob Mullen, Town Moderator



Have you seen flooding in Stoughton?

Você já viu inundações em Stoughton?

Flooding from rainstorms is a growing concern for residents and businesses in Stoughton and nearby communities.

Inundações causadas por chuvas são uma preocupação crescente para os moradores e negócios em Stoughton e comunidades próximas.



Stoughton is studying ways to reduce flooding and needs your help!
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Take the Flood Survey

Stoughton residents who complete the survey by January 13, 2023 will be entered for a chance to receive one of twenty \$25 Visa gift cards (one chance per household):

www.neponset.org/StopFlood

Attend the public meeting

December 15, 6:30-8:30pm
YMCA, 445 Central St., Stoughton

Free sandwiches provided. Wheel-chair accessible. Children's activities available, Portuguese language interpretation available, and virtual meeting attendance optional, **only with preregistration by Dec. 9th.**

Attendees will be entered for a chance to receive one of 10 \$25 Visa gift cards.

Register: neponset.org/StopFlood

Você viu alguma inundação em Stoughton?

As inundações que ocorrem como consequência das tempestades são uma preocupação crescente para os moradores e as empresas em Stoughton e nas comunidades da região. Stoughton está estudando maneiras de reduzir as inundações e precisa da sua ajuda!

Preencha nossa pesquisa sobre inundações

Os residentes de Stoughton que concluírem nossa pesquisa até Janeiro 13, 2023 concorrerão a um dos 20 vales-presente Visa de \$25 dólares (uma chance por família):
www.neponset.org/StopFlood

Participe do nosso encontro aberto ao público

Dezembro 15 em 6:30-8:30pm
YMCA, 445 Central St., Stoughton

Serão oferecidos sanduíches gratuitos. Acessível a cadeirantes. Haverá atividades para as crianças, haverá intérprete de português e será possível participar virtualmente (opcional), **somente mediante pré-inscrição até 9 de dezembro.**

Os participantes concorrerão a um dos 10 vales-presente Visa de \$25 dólares.

Inscreva-se:
www.neponset.org/StopFlood



This project is made possible by the Massachusetts Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program. For more information about the project visit us at www.neponset.org/stopflood. Para obter mais informações sobre o projeto (financiado através de um Bolsa de Ação de Preparação de Vulnerabilidades Municipais de Massachusetts (MVP) visite-nos na www.neponset.org/stopflood



Final Saturday Saturday December 3

Town of Stoughton Residents Only

Bring your Brush and Leaves

from 8am to 3pm

to **1240 Washington St** (Not Gay St.)

open to residents for leaf disposal and chipable brush.



Leaf/Brush Disposal

leaves can be disposed
of all year round at
the Transfer Station.

No Curbside Pickup

The transfer station
is open
every Saturday
8 a.m to 4 p.m.
100 Page St.



Town of Stoughton

OFFICE OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

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

The Water, Sewer, Trash Department has issued **the FY23 2nd quarter Water, Sewer, Trash bills** to the Town of Stoughton water, sewer, and trash customers. The 2nd quarter water, sewer, trash bills **were mailed on November 15, 2022, and are due December 15, 2022**, and must be received in the Collectors' office or the PO Box in Medford on or before this date. Postmark date is not acceptable as payment made if the payment is not received in the Collectors' office or the PO Box in Medford by December 15, 2022.

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

When processing a payment online through your bank's Bill Pay, you **MUST** include the bill number, year, and type in the Memo field (for example, Bill #25, 2023 water, sewer, trash) so your payment will be properly applied. When paying multiple bills, you must include each bill number. If this information is not included, your check may be returned to you, and interest/charges 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 of Town Hall on Pearl St for your convenience. 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 for the day.

All unpaid water, sewer, trash bills will accrue interest at a rate of 14% from their respective due dates, and a \$15.00 demand fee will be added to the bill and the senior discount will be forfeited.

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



HOLIDAY MOVIE AFTERNOON



Friday, December 16th
12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

Join us in watching the holiday classic,
A Christmas Carol, starring Alastair Sim as
Ebenezer Scrooge.

**Participants may bring a bagged lunch if
desired.*



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www.stoughton.org/library-0

FILL A CRUISER

Municipal Lot next to Stoughton Police Station

Saturday, December 10
from 10-4

The collection box will be in our lobby until December 10th

Accepting
new unwrapped
toys, gift cards &
donations via
Venmo

<https://venmo.com/u/SPRA2424>.

Please help us
make this year
a little easier for
families
who truly need it.





Book Club

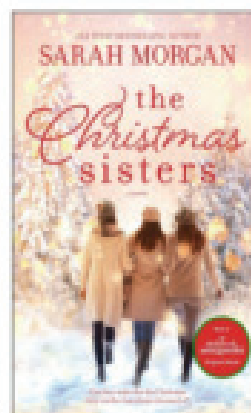
Adults • Open to everyone 18+

These are live Zoom events and registration is required.
The Zoom link will be emailed to the address provided one day prior to the program.

Wednesday, December 7th

7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

The December selection is *The Christmas Sisters* by Sarah Morgan. The book is available at the library, through the Old Colony Library Network as well as electronically on the library's free Libby and Hoopla Apps. It is also on the library's circulating Kindles that are available for check out.



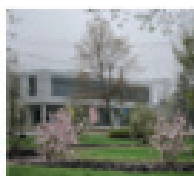
For those who like to plan ahead, here's what's coming up:



Wednesday, January 11th

7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

December's selection is *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley. The book is available at the library as well as through the Old Colony Library Network as well as electronically on the library's free Libby App. It is also on the library's circulating Kindles that are available for check out.



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Holiday Tea Party



Thursday, December 1, 2022 11:30AM

Join us for a delicious tea party and luncheon and celebrate the holiday season!

Wear a festive holiday hat and take home \$5 in COA Senior Dollars and
take a guess on our Candy Jar Contest.

All are welcome to this fun event!

Stoughton Council on Aging
(781) 344-8882 • 110 Rockland Street

Fan Favorites of Film

Join Stoughton film historian Frank Mandosa on Zoom.

Julie Andrews: Our Drop of Golden Sun

Thursday, December 1st : 6:30pm



*Make some tea with jam and bread as you relax to take a look at the life and career of the Oscar-winning soprano sensation who went from being the toast of Broadway to the headliner of such classics as *The Sound of Music* and *Mary Poppins*, hosted her own Emmy-winning variety show, and keeps shining in 21st century fare from *The Princess Diaries* to the *Shrek* movies!*

Please visit www.stoughton.org/library & click on Event Calendar to register.
REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE A ZOOM LINK 1 DAY PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM.



"A high school English and Film teacher, Frank Mandosa gives talks on a wide variety of film-related topics and has two movie podcasts, Silver Screeners (host) and Movies Across the Pod (co-host). Facebook movie group: "Silver Screeners" / Twitter: @filmbuff1974 / Email: silverscreenerspod@gmail.com www.frankmandosa.weebly.com



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Beginning Wednesday December 7th

Wednesday Game Day!

Meet up with others who like to play

Scrabble

or

Canasta!



1:00PM-3:00PM

Posted on: October 26, 2022 - 9:16am

Wednesday, December 21, 2022 12:00-2:00P.M.

Join us for a
cookie decorating class
just in time for the holidays!

Learn how to decorate your choice of Christmas or Hanukkah cookies.

Class includes 9 cookies, frosting, sprinkles and accessories to decorate.
Come and have some fun with family and friends!

Pre-registration is required.
Stoughton Residents \$15.00 • Out of Town \$20.00



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Holiday Parade of Lights 2022

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10TH

*CALLING ALL STOUGHTON COMMUNITY
GROUPS AND BUSINESSES*

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Is your business or organization interested in creating a float for the Holiday Parade of Lights? Join us and help spread the holiday spirit this year!



Sign up at

www.StoughtonRec.org

Posted on: November 15, 2022 - 12:46pm

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COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM

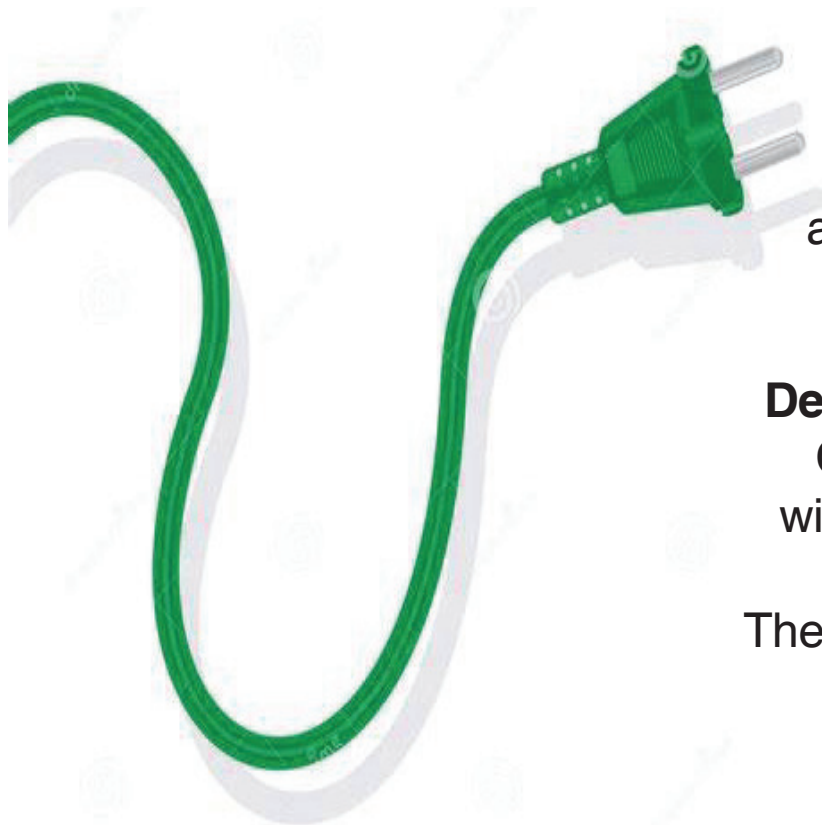
Thanks to the Relaunch of the Stoughton Community Choice Aggregation Program the community will be able to save more than \$1,584,000 this winter on electricity. The program was originally initiated by the Economic Development Director working with Old Colony Planning Council and Colonial Power Group. Due to the fact that an approved Plan was in place, the Interim Town Manager, Marc Tisdelle, was able to enter into an agreement with a third party supplier.

The Town of Stoughton is pleased to announce that Direct Energy Services ("Direct") has been selected as the supplier for its Community Choice Power Supply Program. Direct will provide electric power supply for all consumers currently on National Grid Basic Service in Stoughton.

Residents should look for a mailing sent out by Direct Energy on November 15th. The mailing does explain how to opt out of the program if you do not wish to participate.

Visit colonialpowergroup.com/stoughton or call Direct at (866) 968-8065 to opt out of the program. You may call Colonial at (866) 485-5858 x 1 with any questions.

Additional information can be found on the Economic Development Webpage.



A Public Forum
will be Held
at the **Town Hall** in the
Great Hall
(3rd Floor) on
December 7th at 7:00 pm.
Colonial Power Group
will be available to answer
questions.
The meeting will be available
to view on SMAC
several days later.



proudly presents a 4-part Zoom Series:

Civics for Adults

With Donna L. Cohen, M.L.I.S, M.Ed. Teacher and Librarian
Moderated by Jesse Mermell

Free, but pre-registration required.

Register at: bit.ly/civicsadults1



**Dec 4, 2022
7 pm**

**Misinformation,
Fake News and
Political Propaganda**



Future topics:

- **Citizen Activism 101—Making Change Happen**
- **Beyond Voting: Elections and Campaign Financing**
- **The Constitution: Fulfilling Democracy's Promise?**
Democracy, the Constitution and Representation in Congress



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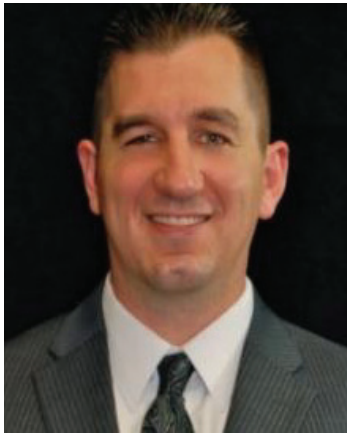


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A message from our Interim Town Manager Marc Tisdelle

Hello Everyone,

As you may be aware, Robin Grimm has taken another job in Sturbridge. We wish her the best and she will be greatly missed!

My name is Marc Tisdelle and I am the Interim Town Manager.

I would like to thank the Select Board, the community and my fellow colleagues for all your support of me to take this task on.

I have worked in Stoughton for the last 11 years as primarily the Town Engineer and the Director of Development Services but I was also the Interim Town Manager for about a year before we hired Robin Grimm.

I take this position very seriously and I will do the best that I can to keep the Town moving forward until a permanent Town Manager is in place. I will do my best to inform the public through Facebook of important events. Robin was very active on Facebook and I will eventually try to get to that point but as you can imagine I will be extremely busy getting up to speed on everything while also completing my other job.

Office hours for the public will continue from 4:30-6pm on Thursday evenings. I also will make appointments with you if needed. Thank you all for the support!