

Stoughton Town Crier

TOWN OF STOUGHTON UPDATED MARCH 19, 2024 ROBERTA HARBACK



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Selectboard Agenda

Tuesday March 19, 2024 - 7:00 p.m.

Great Hall Town Hall 3rd floor & virtually with Google Meets

In accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, which extends the Governor's March 12, 2020 "Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L.C. 30A § 20", until March 31, 2025, this meeting will be conducted both in person and virtually via Google Meets.

To Join via Google Meets: hnu-isaw-onn
PHONE: 970-400-1465
PIN: 378 633 807#

The meeting will be recorded by SMAC cable television and broadcast live and may be livestreamed at www.stoughtontv.org. A recording of the meeting, transcript, or other comprehensive record of the proceeding will be posted on the Town's website and/or SMAC as soon as possible after the meeting if the live broadcast or livestreaming is unsuccessful. Times are approximate and items may be taken out of order at the Chair's discretion.

1. 7:00 p.m. **OPEN SESSION**
Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance
2. 7:05 p.m. Swearing in Ceremony of Lt. Nate Derby and Sgt. Tom Tedesco
Donna McNamara
Police Chief
3. 7:10 p.m. Swearing in Ceremony of Quill, Therapy Dog
Donna McNamara
Police Chief
4. 7:15 p.m. Page St. County discontinuance, acceptance of related easements, indemnification agreement. (Notes may be taken)
Tom Calter
Town Manager
5. 7:25 p.m. Continuation of Public Hearing:
Class II License Application - Platinum Car Sales, LLC,
1873 Washington Street
Matt Rapozzi
Code Enforcement
Officer and
Jack Erickson
Building
Commissioner
6. 7:35 p.m. Department Head Mid-Year Presentations:
7:40 p.m. - Assessors
- Cedar Hill

- 7:45 p.m. - Human Resources
- 7:50 p.m. - Information Technology
- 7:55 p.m. - Police/Animal Control
- 8:00 p.m. - Procurement

7. 8:05 p.m. Pole Removal Update Jack Macomber
Asst. Fire Chief
8. 8:20 p.m. New Elementary School Building Project Presentation Tim Bonfatti
The Vertex
Companies, LLC
9. 9:00 p.m. Lucius Clapp Memorial building contract renewal Joseph Mokrisky
10. 9:10 p.m. Close the Warrant (Votes may be taken)
11. 9:20 p.m. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approval of Open Session Minutes Meeting of February 20, 2024, March 5, 2024 and March 12, 2024
 - b. Road Race Application - 12th Narragansett Summer Running Festival on July 14, 2024
 - c. Road Race Application - Memorial Day Parade on May 27, 2024
12. 9:30 p.m. To approve a transfer of \$430,000 from the MWRA Capital Infrastructure fund to the Water Enterprise Fund to supplement Fiscal 2025 revenues Tom Calter
Town Manager



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MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

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Monday - March 18, 2024 at 7:00PM

Yaltanes Room, 3rd Floor

10 Pearl Street

STOUGHTON, MA 02072

~CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING~

In Person and Virtual Meeting (Online)

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The Public Hearing that was held by Municipal Operations Committee on March 11, 2024 at 7:00PM to hear and discuss the Annual Town Meeting Articles listed below has been continued to Monday, March 18, 2024 at 7:00PM.

The meeting may be recorded and may be broadcasted live over SMAC (www.stoughtontv.org) and/or recorded for later broadcast and internet access.

To participate in the Public Hearing with Google Meets: <https://meet.google.com/xqt-qfvj-qmk>

To join the Public Hearing by Phone: (US) +1 224-423-5813 PIN: 739 018 377#

Agenda items may be taken out of order at Chairperson's discretion. Votes may be taken on Recommending Articles(s) to the Annual Town Meeting.

1. Meeting Called To Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Determination of Quorum (50% +1)
4. Review and Approve Draft Meeting Minutes from Prior Meeting
5. Motion To Continue the Public Hearing (continued from March 11, 2024)
6. Articles to be Heard and Discussed at the Continued Public Hearing: (Votes May Be Taken On All Articles)

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MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE CONTINUED

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Monday - March 18, 2024 at 7:00PM

Yaitanes Room, 3rd Floor

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**List of Articles to be Discussed and Voted on By the Municipal Operations Committee
under Agenda Item 6:**

- Article 20 - Public Works and Facilities Capital**
- Article 21 - Town Buildings and Facilities Maintenance and Upgrades**
- Article 22 - Police Department Capital**
- Article 23 - Fire Department Capital**
- Article 24 - Sewer Capital – Inflow and Infiltration**
- Article 25 – Water and Sewer Department Capital**
- Article 26 - Pratt's Court Water Treatment Improvements**
- Article 27 - Cedar Hill Capital**
- Article 28 - Town Pond Management Program**
- Article 29 – Intersection Improvements Design – Plain and West Street Intersection**
- Article 30 – Canton & School Street Intersection Improvements Design**
- Article 31 – Cedar Hill Drainage and Parking Improvements**
- Article 32 – Police Station Expansion and Renovation Design**
- Article 36 – School Safety – Security Audit**
- Article 38 – Renovation of Town-Owned Barn On West Street**
- Article 39 – Historic Signage – Group 2**
- Article 43 - Bird Street Conservation Area Entryway Improvements**
- Article 49 - Civil Service Revocation**
- Article 50 - Accept MGL Chapter 41, Section 110A**
- Article 51 - Single-Serving Drinking Water Plastic Bottle Reduction Bylaw (Petitioned Article)**
- Article 52 - Sidewalks on Turnpike Street from Central Street to Park Street –Design
(Petitioned Article)**
- Article 54 – Columbus Day name changed to Indigenous Peoples Day (Petitioned Article)**

7. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

This Public Hearing may be shown live on the local broadcast channel by SMAC and recorded for later broadcast and internet access.

—END—

ARE YOU READY FOR THE 5K?

**Appropriate
for all fitness
levels!**

5K KNIGHT TRAINING

Saturday March 30, Sundays April 7, 14, 21, 28, Sunday May 5

9 AM | ACES 18+ | \$75

HALLORAN PARK

with Personal Trainer

Beth Federico

Each session will begin with a brief coaching discussion, followed by mobility and stretching and run/walk workout. Add 5k registration for just \$10 with this program!

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

WWW.STOUGHTONREC.ORG



Building Connection with your Teen: Applying lessons from *The Soul of an Octopus*



Is your teen like an octopus?
Smart, curious and strong willed?

Strong connections are at the
heart of raising healthy teens.
Let's talk about ways to foster
those connections!

Thursday, March 21
6:30 pm
Stoughton Public Library
Community Room

Brought to you by the OASIS Coalition



COMMITTEE on FINANCE and TAXATION

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Wednesday ~ March 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The Great Hall, 3rd Floor, Town Hall

10 Pearl Street ~ Stoughton, MA 02072

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held by the Committee on Finance and Taxation on March 20, 2024 to discuss the FY25 Town Budget and Annual Town Meeting Articles.

Agenda items may be taken out of order at the Chairman's discretion

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Motion to Open Public Hearing
4. TOWN BUDGET (FY25) PUBLIC HEALTH
5. Article 7 – Public Health Association Enterprise Fund Budget (FY25)
6. Article 15 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET (FY25)
 - a. Library
 - b. Veteran Services
 - c. Recreation & Youth Dept.
 - d. Community Events
 - e. Council on Aging
 - f. Substance Abuse Prevention
 - g. Health & Human Services
 - h. Commission on Disabilities

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

7. Article 48 – Rescind Dedication of Opioid Settlement Funds to Opioid Stabilization Fund
8. Article 49 – Civil Service Revocation

9. Article 15 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET (FY25)

PUBLIC SAFETY – POLICE

- a. Police
- b. Animal Control
- c. Central Dispatch
- d. Crossing Guards

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

10. Article 22 – Police Department Capital
 - a. Cruisers (3 Standard, 1 Unmarked): \$255,000
 - b. Firearms: \$160,000
 - c. Ballistic Vests (49): \$72,000

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COMMITTEE on FINANCE and TAXATION
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PUBLIC HEARING

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

11. Article 32 – Police Station Expansion and Renovation Design: \$300,000

12. ARTICLE 15 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET (FY25)

PUBLIC SAFETY - FIRE AND RESCUE

a. Fire and Rescue

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

13. Article 23 – Fire Department Capital

a. Ambulance: \$450,000

b. Ladder 2 Refurbishment: \$200,000

c. Incident Command Vehicle: \$90,000

14. Any other matters relating to FY25 or FY24 Budget and Town Meeting
Warrant Articles

15. Motion to Continue or Close Public Hearing

16. Adjourn

-Votes may be taken-

**This meeting may be shown live on the local broadcast channel by SMAC and recorded
for internet access.**

'22' PARTY



Grades K-3: 3/21 5-6:30 pm

Grades 4-7: 3/22 3:30-5 pm

Grades 6-9: 4/18 5-6:30 pm

Join us for a celebration filled with catchy tunes, radiant vibes, and a dash of sparkle as we celebrate a beloved pop sensation! Make friendship bracelets, play music bingo, and even take home a special snack! Dance the night away to chart-topping hits and immerse yourself in a world of vibrant energy and memorable melodies at our "22" Party!

Pre-registration required

WWW.STOUGHTONREC.ORG



Zoning Board of Appeals

Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 7:30PM
Virtually & In Person Town Hall
3rd floor Yaitanes Room

In accordance with Governor Healey's, signed into law on March 29, 2023 a further extension granted certain pandemic-related authorizations related to public boards and town meeting to March 31, 2023, this meeting will be conducted both in person and virtually via Google Meets.

To join via Google Meets meet.google.com/qka-uhvw-xrp or Phone | 770-988-7635 PIN: 932 228 281#

Case No. and Date Filed	Property Address	Relief Requested	Public Hearing Status	Decision Deadline
Case 436 Filed February 26, 2024	130 Stockwell Drive	Special Permit - In order to allow a motor vehicle service station including the sale of gasoline	Hearing is scheduled for March 21, 2024 @ 7:30 pm	Decision must be filed into Town Clerk's Office 90 days from close of public hearing

DELIBERATIONS - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - CAN BE TAKEN UP ANY TIME DURING SCHEDULED MEETING

CASE 400 @ 710 CENTRAL STREET - SPECIAL PERMIT

CASE 439 EXTENSION @ LOT 1 PONDVIEW LANE - VARIANCE

* MINUTES - October 19, 2023, November 2, 2023, January 18, 2024 and February 1, 2024, February 11, 2024

* CORRESPONDENCE

* EXECUTIVE SESSION IF NECESSARY

* MAY BE TAKEN UP ANY TIME DURING PUBLIC MEETING



TOWN-WIDE CLEAN UP DAY

April 27th | 8am-Noon

Join your neighbors along with DPW to help clean up and beautify our community! All supplies and locations will be provided along with a cookout at the COA following the event. All individuals must sign up at www.stoughtonrec.org or use the QR code now!



STOUGHTON READS TOGETHER 2024

Nature's Color Palette



A SciTech Talk with **Dr. Dan Wilson**, Senior Research Scientist
Kostas Research Institute at Northeastern University

*Paints that can change color
in response to the weather!*

Thursday,
March 28th
6:30-8:00pm



*Wearable sensors for
monitoring solar exposure!*

Dr. Dan Wilson discusses how his team of scientists and engineers have developed products inspired by the color and pattern changing properties of octopus skin.

Registration recommended. Please call 781-344-2711, visit the circulation desk or use [click here](#) to register.

STOUGHTON RECREATION



SPRING & SUMMER 2024 PROGRAM GUIDE

KIDS & TEENS

Open Play with Felicia

Mondays 3/25-4/22 | 10-11:30 am | Ages 1.5-4
Location: Recreation Department | \$40

Craft & Play with Molly

Tuesdays 4/23-5/14 | 10-10:45 am | Ages 2-5
Location: Recreation Department | \$25

Tiny Tykes Soccer with Challenger Sports

Sundays 9-9:45, 10-10:45, 11-11:45 am | 5/5-6/9
Location: Halloran Park | Ages 2-5 | \$100

Little Sports Stars with Rec Staff

Wednesdays 4/24-5/15 | 10-10:45 am | Ages 3-5
Location: Halloran Park | \$25

Mini Knights Lacrosse with Rec Staff

Thursdays 3:30-4:15 | 4/25-5/16 | Ages 4-6
Location: Halloran Park | \$35

Culinary Creations with Molly

Spring Dessert: Tuesday 3/26 | 3-4:30 pm | Ages 6-11
Burger Bites: Wednesday 4/10 | 3-4:30 pm | Ages 6-11
Location: Recreation Department | \$15

Kids Night Out with Rec Staff

Friday 5/10 | 5-9 pm | Ages 6-12
Location: Recreation Department | \$12

Slime Workshop with Rec Staff

Thursday 3/28 | 5-6 pm | Ages 6-12
Tuesday 5/14 | 3-4 pm | Ages 6-12
Location: Recreation Department | \$10

Maxx Monsters with Coach Mike

Tuesdays and Thursdays 4/23-5/23
Ages 4-7 | 5-5:45 pm,
Ages 8-12 | 6-7 pm
Location: Maxx Training Center | \$115

Hands-On Art with Molly

Tuesdays 4/2-4/30 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Ages 6-11
Location: Recreation Department | \$35

Mom & Me Mother's Day Workshop **NEW!**

Thursday 5/9 | 5:15-6:30 pm | Ages 6-12
Location: Recreation Department | \$25

Ceramic Bunny Workshop with Molly

Thursday 3/21 | 4:30-5:30 pm | Ages 7-14
Location: Recreation Department | \$12

Tie-Dye Workshop with Molly

Thursday 5/30 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Ages 7-14
Location: Recreation Department | \$12

After-School Art and Nature with Mass Audubon

Mondays 5/6-6/10 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Ages 8-14
Location: Recreation Department | \$35

Spring Golf Clinic with Matt

Tuesdays 4/30-5/21 | 3:00-4:00 pm | Ages 9-15
Location: Cedar Hill Golf Course | \$25

Kids Ceramics and Crafts with Laurice

Wednesdays 5/1-5/22 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Ages 8-14
Location: Recreation Department | \$45

Archery with On the Mark Archery

Sundays 4/21-5/19 | 5-6 pm | Grades 4-Adult
Location: Canton Pequitside Farm | \$200

Teen Chefs with Molly

Wednesday 3/27 | 3-4:30 pm | Ages 11-16
Thursday 4/11 | 3-4:30 pm | Ages 11-16
Location: Recreation Department | \$15

Teen Pottery Wheel Workshop with Beeble Art Studios

Friday 3/29 | 5:00-7:00 pm | Grades 6-12 **NEW!**
Location: Recreation Department | \$75

To sign up or for more info, visit
www.Stoughtonrec.org

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SPRING & SUMMER 2024 PROGRAM GUIDE

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Pre-Playground

7/1-8/9 | 8:30-2:30 pm | Ages 4-5

Location: South Elementary School | \$100 weekly

Open Playground

7/1-8/9 | 8:30-2:30 pm | Entering Grades 1-6

Location: South Elementary School | \$120 weekly

After Playground (Open Playground Registration Required)

7/1-8/9 | 2:30-4:00 pm | Entering Grades 1-6

Location: South Elementary School | \$45 weekly

Teen Extreme **NEW!**

7/1-8/9 | 8:30-2:30 pm | Entering Grades 7-10

Location: South Elementary School | \$175 weekly

Create-Your-Own Podcast with SMAC

Monday-Thurs 6/24-6/27 | 1:00-4:00 pm | Grades 6-9

Location: SMAC, 421 Page St #2, Stoughton | \$20

Street Hockey Clinic with Coach Jay

Mon-Thurs 7/29-8/1 | 9:30-11 am | Ages 7-14

Location: Gibbons School Basketball Courts | \$45

Summer Golf Clinic with Coach Donahue

Session 1: Mon-Thurs 7/15-7/18 | 9-1 pm | Ages 7-14

Session 2: Mon-Thurs 7/22-7/15 | 9-1 pm | Ages 7-14

Location: Cedar Hill Golf Course | \$65

Family Fishing Clinic with MassWildlife

Thursday 7/25 | 5 pm | All Ages

Location: Ames Pond Causeway | \$10 per family

Softball Clinic with Coach Esposito **NEW!**

Mon-Thurs 6/24-6/27 | 9-12 pm | Ages 7-14

Location: Denison Athletic Complex | \$25

Archery with On the Mark Archery

Sundays 7/7-7/29 | 5-6 pm | Grades 4-Adult

Location: Canton Pequotside Farm | \$175

NOW HIRING:

Join our team!! Now hiring certified (or willing to become certified) lifeguards for the Ames Pond Beachfront 2024 season. Return completed application to the Recreation Department, 15 Pleasant St. Stoughton MA 02072

https://stoughtonma.myrec.com/forms/5990_fillable_job_application.pdf

AMES POND BEACHFRONT PASSES AND SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION COMING IN MAY!

DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE!

New programs added regularly!

Not all programs are listed on this program guide. Please be advised that refunds or credits may not be issued within 24 business hours of the program start time, and programs will not be prorated for missed classes. Participants may be eligible for a refund or account credit on a case by case basis prior to the first day of a program. Any approved cancellations resulting in a refund will incur a 5% cancellation fee, unless the cancellation of the program is initiated by the Recreation Department. In the event that the minimum registration requirement is not met, the program will be canceled. In such instances, participants will receive a full refund, and notification of the cancellation will be sent via email.

CONTACT US:

recreation@stoughton-ma.gov | 781-341-1300 x0244
15 Pleasant St, Stoughton MA 02072

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ADULTS

Gourmet on a Budget with Malcolm
Thursday 4/4 | 5:00-6:30 | Ages 16+
Location: Recreation Department | \$40

Pottery Wheel Workshop with Beeble Art Studios
Friday 4/26 | 5:00-7:30 pm | Ages 16+
Location: Recreation Department | \$75

Spring Watercolor Workshop with Lauriea
Thursday 4/11 | 5:30-7 pm | Ages 16+
Location: Recreation Department | \$15

Paint Night with Beeble Art Studios **NEW!**
Friday 5/17 | 5-7 pm | Ages 16+
Location: Recreation Department | \$25

Outdoor Yoga with Higher Fidelity Yoga **NEW!**
Wednesdays 5/1-6/5 | 4-5 pm | Ages 16+
Location: Glen Echo Park | \$90

Easyfit Exercise with Mary
Tuesdays and Fridays 10:30-11:30 am | Ages 18+
Location 3/15-4/30: First United Methodist Church
Location 5/3-6/28: Halloran Park | \$3 per class

Jigsaw Wizards with Winny **NEW!**
Friday 5/3 | 5:15-7:15 | Ages 16+
Location: Recreation Department | \$15 per team

Intro to Pickleball with Rec Staff
Thursdays 5/2-5/30 | 10:30-12 pm | Ages 18+
Location: Halloran Park Basketball Court | \$25

CPR and First Aid
Thursday 6/6 | 5 pm | Ages 16+
Location: Recreation Department | \$75

5k Race Training with Beth **NEW!**
Saturday 3/30, Sundays 4/7-5/5 | 9 AM | Ages 18+
Location: Halloran Park | \$75

APRIL VACATION PROGRAMS

Lego Club with Winny
Tues-Thurs 4/16-4/18 | 10-11:30 am | Grades K-3
Location: Recreation Department | \$35

Kids Cooking Bootcamp with Molly
Tues-Thurs 4/16-4/18 | 1:00-4:00 pm | Grades 4-7
Location: Recreation Department | \$50

Create-Your-Own Music Video with SMAC **NEW!**
Tues-Thurs 2/20-2/22 | 1:00-4:00 pm | Grades 6-9
Location: SMAC, 421 Page St #2, Stoughton | \$20

Street Hockey Clinic with Coach Jay
Tues-Fri 4/16-4/19 | 9:30-11 am | Ages 7-14
Location: Gibbons School Basketball Court | \$40

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Once a Knight, Always a Knight Memorial 5k Walk/Run

Saturday 5/11 | 9 am | Halloran Park | \$25
The proceeds of this race will help fund scholarships to swim lessons and summer programs for Stoughton families. Each entry will receive a race t-shirt, bib, and race bag

Town Wide Beautification Day **NEW!**

Saturday 4/27 | 9 am | Council on Aging
Join your neighbors along with our DPW to help clean up and beautify our community!

Town of Stoughton Fireworks

Tuesday 7/2 | 9 pm | Denison Athletic Complex

July 4th Parade

Thursday 7/4 | 10 am

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On Tuesday, April 9th 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



**Thomas Calter
Town Manager**