

Stoughton Town Crier

TOWN OF STOUGHTON UPDATED APRIL 16, 2024 ROBERTA HARBACK



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Are you interested in how town government works?
Are you interested in how the town budget works?
Become a Town Meeting Representative for your precinct!

The Caucus Meeting

for the following precincts will be held on
Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00p.m.
Great Hall, Town Hall 3rd floor

The following precincts need to caucus:

Precinct 1- has 8 vacancies to be filled
Precinct 2- has 2 vacancies to be filled
Precinct 3- has 1 vacancy to be filled
Precinct 6- has 5 vacancies to be filled
Precinct 7- has 6 vacancies to be filled
Precinct 8- has 4 vacancies to be filled

These vacancies are for a term of 1 year.

If interested, please make every effort to attend.

Please provide a letter of interest to the Town clerk's Office or Town Moderator by 12:00 p.m. noon
on April 17, 2024 to be considered.

Any questions, please call the
Town Clerk's Office at 781-341-1300 x9214 or x 9215

Samantha Rego, Acting Town Clerk

Precincts 3 & 4 are full and will not need to caucus



NORFOLK COUNTY
REGISTER OF DEEDS
WILLIAM P. O'DONNELL

OFFICE HOURS

STOUGHTON

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1,
2024

10AM-12PM

Stoughton Town Hall
Fitzpatrick Room
10 Pearl Street
Stoughton



Register O'Donnell and his staff are able to provide residents with certified copies of land documents, such as deeds and homesteads. In addition, Registry personnel are able to confirm whether or not a mortgage discharge had been recorded for mortgages that have been paid off. Finally, staff was able to bring original land documents for residents back to the Registry for recording.



Jones Early Childhood Center

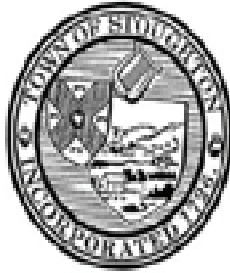
OPEN HOUSE FOR NEW STUDENTS

Wednesday, April 24, 2024 • 5-6pm

Jones Early Childhood Center (137 Walnut St.)

Stoughton Public Schools





TOWN OF STOUGHTON

MASSACHUSETTS
02072

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

TOWN HALL
10 PEARL STREET
TELEPHONE: (781) 341-1300
FAX: (781) 341-1366

PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION ON ATM 2024 ZONING ARTICLES

THURSDAY, April 25, 2024 from 5:30 PM TO 6:30 PM
THE GREAT HALL, 10 PEARL ST, 3RD FLOOR
STOUGHTON, MA 02072
& VIRTUALLY VIA GOOGLE MEETS

To Join via Google Meets: meet.google.com/ujj-oqtz-erg

Phone: 1-319-435-1565

Pin: 101 169 009#

The Planning Department will be reviewing the proposed zoning articles and will provide a question and answer session for Town Meeting Members and the public.

- Article 45: Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Stoughton Center District, Section 9.3.4 SCD Table of Use Regulation.
- Article 46: Zoning Map Amendment – Rezone of 471 Washington Street (former Phillips Screw property).
- Article 47: Zoning Bylaw and Map Amendment – Proposed new I2 zoning district.
- Article 53: Rezone 20 Perry Street (Map 54, Lot 433) – Petitioned Article.

Dear Stoughton Family and Friends

The Stoughton Equal Opportunity Commission (SEOC) Town of Stoughton is pleased to invite you to participate in our town's

2nd Annual Juneteenth Celebration.

This year's celebration will salute our veterans. Our theme is "Juneteenth: They Sacrificed for Us", will be held at the following time and place:

Wednesday, June 19, 2024

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Stoughton Public High School

232 Pearl Street, Stoughton, MA 02072



In addition to festivities and vendors, this year's event will include music, a keynote speaker, various performances, dance, food, youth sports tournament, and youth activities. This exciting event will also include presentations on First Time Homebuyer and the importance of saving for retirement. There will be an opportunity to support a proposed bill to celebrate our veterans throughout the month of May, not just Memorial Day. The program will be open to guests from Stoughton's neighboring cities and towns.

We hope you will send a representative from your organization to host a table that day, free of charge. All organizations are responsible for their own table and tablecloth. It will be a great opportunity to strengthen community involvement. To confirm your attendance or to get more information, you may contact dccentral21@comcast.net.

To our local businesses, please let us know your interest to participate as a vendor no later than Monday May 20, 2024.

Thanks in advance for your help in making this our best Juneteenth celebration ever!

Cordially,

Stoughton Equal Opportunity Commission and Juneteenth Committee

Debra Roberts, Selectboard and Chair SEOC

Bettye Sabree, Vice Chair SEOC

Dr. Patricia Randolph, Committee Member

Katherine Weiss, School Committee

Eryn Roberts, Committee Member

Carla Smith, Committee Member

Babysitter Training

Thursdays 4/25, 5/2, 5/16 5:45–6:45 pm

Thursday 5/9 4:00–6:30 pm (CPR and First Aid)

Ages 12–18 | \$25 | 110 Rockland St

Attendance at all sessions required

The Stoughton Youth Commission is holding a Babysitter Training Course where participants will learn basic child care, safe play, how to identify potential safety problems and much more! Please bring a snack with you! You must be able to attend all sessions in order to receive your certification. This training is located at the Stoughton Youth Commission and Council on Aging building at 110 Rockland St in Stoughton.

Program includes:

- Babysitter certification
- Child and infant CPR certification
- Standard First Aid certification
- Basic childcare overview
- Leadership skill development
- Babysitting business development



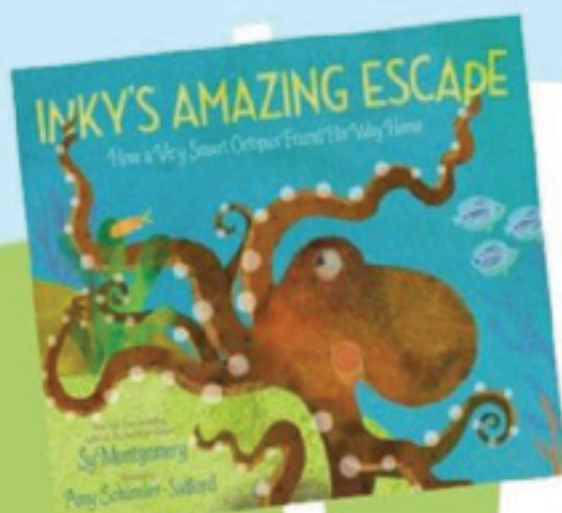
Spaces are limited! Register online at
www.StoughtonRec.org



ESTABLISHED IN 1976



Visit the Storybook Nature Trail TODAY and read *Inky's Amazing Escape* By: Sy Montgomery



Each sign has a single page from a book to read.

Located at the
Lessa Playground
1258 West Street

BEAUTIFICATION OF STOUGHTON



TOWN-WIDE CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday April 27

8am-noon



T-shirts will be provided

Cookout at Council on Aging after the event

Beautification of Stoughton Clean Up Day is approaching. We are looking for a few more site leaders for the day of the event. Site Leaders are responsible for checking people in, have supplies to pass out to participants, and be a liaison between the town and volunteers. You will be briefed prior to the event and receive a guide with information in advance. Supplies will be available for pick up 4/18 & 4/25 8:30 am - 7 pm at the Recreation Department at 15 Pleasant St. If you are interested in being a site leader, please let us know as soon as possible by contacting recreation@stoughton-ma.gov or 781-341-1300 x9244

Pirate Puppet Show!

Thursday, April 18th
10:30 AM



Join the Peanuts Playhouse crew on their Pirate ship and help discover the treasure of friendship! Complete with friendship tokens at the end, all ages will have a good time.



Stoughton
Public Library

Stoughton Public Library

84 Park St., Stoughton, Massachusetts 02072 | 781-344-2711
<https://www.stoughton.org/657/library>

The Poop Museum

is coming to our library!

Friday, April 19th at 3:00 PM

Join us to learn lots of fun
and fabulous facts
about poop!



Kids say: "I give this class
5000 stars out of 5!"

Parents say: "This class was
poopmazing! My preschooler
and first grader LOVED it!"



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Recycle Coach App has Earth Day printable activities for children. There are 3 of them for different age groups. This is a fun and education way to get your children involved in Recycling.

Recycle Coach

Earth Day

Activity Packet

Ages 9-12



Download the
app today



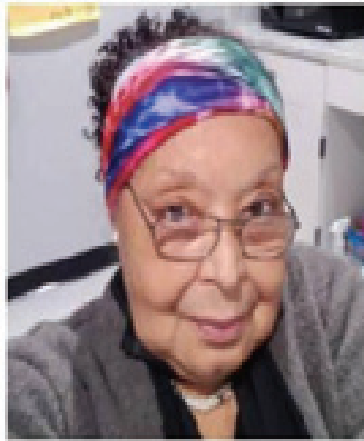
SCAN ME

Follow Us



www.recyclecoach.com





Step by Step Painting w/ Wanita

**'Ink & Insight': An Octopus-Inspired
Painting Party
Wednesday, April 17 @3:00PM**

Learn step-by-step how to create your own masterpiece with Wanita inspired by our community read "Soul of an Octopus" by Sy Montgomery.

Light snacks and refreshments.

Open to teens 12 & up. Grades 6-12



2nd Downtown Housing Forum

Wed. April 24th 6-7pm

Great Hall Town Hall

CREATE-YOUR-OWN

MUSIC VIDEO

● REC



Tues-Thurs | 4/16-4/18 | 1-4 pm

Grades 6-9 | \$20 | Location: SMAC Studios

Join Stoughton Media Access in partnership with the Stoughton Recreation Department to create your very own news segment during February Vacation! This hands-on program not only delves into the fundamentals of journalism, including conducting interviews and scriptwriting, but also provides practical experience in video production, teaching technical skills such as camera operation and editing. Through collaborative teamwork, participants will produce a cohesive news segment, grow their communication skills and foster a sense of shared accomplishment. Join us on the final day for the red carpet viewing party!

Registration open now

WWW.STOUGHTONREC.ORG



STOUGHTON RECREATION

SUMMER

PROGRAMS

2024

PRE-PLAYGROUND (Ages 4-5)

7/1-8/9 (closed 7/4-7/5) weekly, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
Sports, games, crafts, entertainers and more inside the South Elementary School. No extended day option available. If you have a 6 year old entering kindergarten who would like to participate please email us

OPEN PLAYGROUND (Entering Grades 1-6)

7/1-8/9 (closed 7/4-7/5) weekly, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
Open play format with tournaments, arts and crafts, field trips and more outdoors at the South Elementary School lower campus. After Playground (2:30-4 pm) available at additional cost

KNIGHTS OF SUMMER (With SPS)

7/8-8/2 weekly, 1:00-4:00 pm with transportation
Enrollment in Stoughton Public Schools Summer Program required. Open play format with sports, arts and crafts outdoors at the South Elementary School.

TEEN EXTREME (Entering Grades 7-10)

7/1-8/9 (closed 7/4-7/5) weekly, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm. Participants visit various locations each week as well as participating in sports and art at the South School upper campus



www.StoughtonRec.org

Stoughton Council on Aging

110 Rockland Street, Stoughton, MA



Wednesday, May 15th
10AM-1PM



stoughtontv.com

781-341-1708

421 Page Street, Suite 2

Verizon: Public 28 / Education 26 / Government 24

Comcast: Public 9 / Education 6 / Government 8

Did you know that you
can watch school events
on Stoughton TV's
Educational Channel?

COMCAST CHANNEL 6
VERIZON CHANNEL 26

Just to name a few...

SPORTS
BAND CONCERTS
CHORAL CONCERTS
THEATRE PRODUCTIONS
CLASS NIGHT CEREMONY
HS GRADUATION



**WE WANT TO HEAR
FROM YOU!**
Are you interested in
producing your own
show, volunteering,
or learning how
to edit??

For more
information, contact
Anya Zulawnik,
Station Manager

781-341-1708

email: azulawnik@stoughtontv.com

Don't Just
Watch TV
- MAKE IT! -

AUTHOR TALK & Book Signing



SY MONTGOMERY

TUESDAY, APRIL 23RD

6:30 PM-8:30 PM

LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM

SOLA
SUPPORT OUR LIBRARY
ASSOCIATION, INC.



Name the Octopus Contest



Submission Dates: April 1st-17th

Winner Announced: April 23rd

This contest is open to all ages.

***Entries may be submitted
in person & online here.***

Stoughton
Energy & Sustainability Committee

Invites You To:

Sustainable LANDSCAPING

Make Your Yard Earth Day Friendly Year-Round!

LEARN ABOUT

Drought-Resistant Lawns and Plantings |
Ground-cover | Techniques | Money Saving |
The Latest Equipment | Composting

Snacks!
Door Prize!

STOUGHTON LIBRARY
84 PARK STREET

- Displays
- Exhibits
- Speakers
- Energy Vendors
- Demonstrations

APRIL 20, 2024
10:00 – 12:00

FEATURED SPEAKER:



Landscape Architect
AMANDA SLOAN
Raingarden
Design Studio

Designer of dog parks,
school and playground
gardens, rain gardens &
home gardens,



stoughtonesc.wordpress.com



It's time to register!

Dog Licenses

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



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.

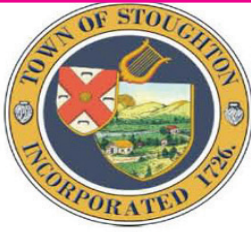
Open Meeting Law prohibit Town Boards meeting while Town Meeting is in session.

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, 2024 AT 7:00 PM
O'DONNELL MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
211 CUSHING STREET



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.



RESCHEDULED

Please note new date

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

