

# Stoughton Town Crier

TOWN OF STOUGHTON UPDATED MARCH 10, 2025 ROBERTA HARBACK



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# water-sewer-trash due this Thursday- March 13

## 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 **FY25 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Water, Sewer, Trash bills** to the Town of Stoughton water, sewer, and trash customers. The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Water, Sewer, Trash bills **were mailed on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, and are due Thursday, March 13, 2025**, and must be received in the Collector's Office or the PO Box in Medford on or before this date. **A postmark date is not acceptable as payment made if the payment is not received in the Collector's Office or the PO Box in Medford by March 13, 2025.**

**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, and the year and type in the Memo field (for example, Bill #25, 2025 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 on your check, 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.****

The Water, Sewer, Trash bills may be paid online at [HTTPS://WWW.STOUGHTON.ORG/428/ONLINE-BILL-PAY](https://www.stoughton.org/428/online-bill-pay), at Town Hall with cash, checks and credit and debit card with a 3% fee and for your convenience, there is a secured payment drop box outside of 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 for the day.

All unpaid water, sewer, trash bills will accrue interest at 14% from their respective due dates, a \$15.00 demand fee will be added to the bill, and the Senior Discount will be forfeited if this quarter's balance is not paid in full.

The Collector staff members are available by phone 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. Please call 781-341-1300 X 9222 if you need your bill number(s) and or amount(s) due.



# Selectboard Agenda

## Tuesday March 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

## Great Hall Town Hall 3rd floor

## & virtually with Google Meets

THE TOWN OF STOUGHTON

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: [bac-oefz-kvg](https://meet.google.com/bac-oefz-kvg)

PHONE: 315-963-9761

PIN: 608 835 447#

The meeting will be recorded by SMAC cable television and broadcast live and may be livestreamed at [www.stoughtontv.org](http://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. Close the Warrant for Special Town Meeting within the Annual Town Meeting (Votes may be taken)

### 3. 7:20 p.m. Consent Agenda:

- a. 30 Freeman Street Electric Easement
- b. License agreement between the Town of Stoughton and Asplundh Construction, LLC of approximately 1.2 acres of parcel 053\_166

# Tune in Tonight

## Monday March 10



### STOUGHTON CANDIDATE FORUM

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★ **Monday, March 10th @ 7pm** ★

#### Offices Represented

- Redevelopment Authority
- Select Board

Register here:  
<http://bit.ly/candidateforum2025>

WATCH LIVE OR A  
REBROADCAST  
ON COMCAST 9, 1073  
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AND LWVSS.ORG



TOWN OF STOUGHTON  
10 Pearl Street  
STOUGHTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02072



February 26, 2025

Stephen Cavey, Chair  
Stoughton Select Board  
Ten Pearl Street  
Stoughton, MA 02072

BOARD OF  
REGISTRARS

Shawn Croke  
Lester Davis  
Juan Fox  
Rogeria Medeiros-  
Kowalczykowski

Mr. Cavey:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Registrars on February 26, 2025, the Board of Registrars voted unanimously to allow In-Person Early Voting for the April 8, 2025 Local Election.

In-Person Early Voting schedule will be as follows:

Monday, March 31 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday, April 1 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Thursday, April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00 am – 6:00 pm
Friday, April 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Please let me know if you have any questions, or need additional information. Thanks in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Rogeria Medeiros-Kowalczykowski  
Town Clerk



stoughtontv.com  
781-341-1708  
421 Page Street, Suite 2

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Comcast: Public 1073 (HD) 9 (SD) / Education 6 / Government 8

MEET THE  
CANDIDATES

## CANDIDATE FORUM

You can watch the  
**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS  
CANDIDATE FORUM COVERAGE**  
on our YouTube channel.

SCAN HERE TO  
WATCH THE  
FIRST DEBATE



Don't Just  
Watch TV  
- MAKE IT! -

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becoming a  
Member of SMAC?

For more information  
contact

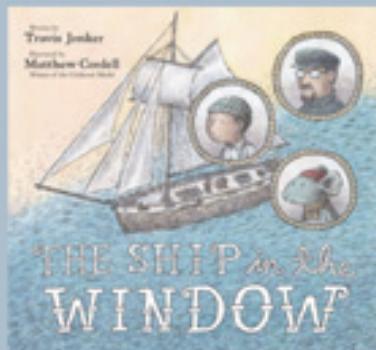
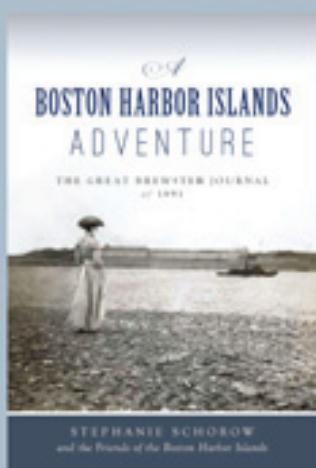
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Station Manager

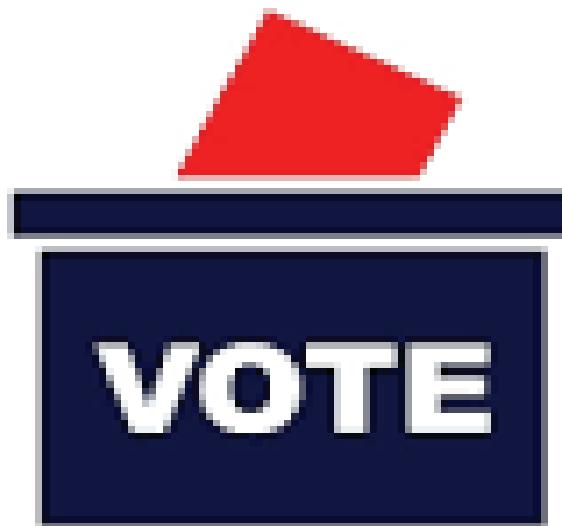
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# STOUGHTON READS TOGETHER 2025

FOR A FULL LIST OF PROGRAMS VISIT  
[WWW.STOUGHTON.ORG/LIBRARY](http://WWW.STOUGHTON.ORG/LIBRARY)





## Annual Town Election \* April 8, 2025

### If you want to plan to Vote by mail

for the April 8th Town Election you will need to fill out an Application either in person or online.

The State will not be sending out postcards for the Local Election. Please visit the Town Clerk's page under Voter Information for additional details.

Last day to apply for  
Ballot by Mail  
Tuesday April 1, 2025

Last day to register to vote  
Saturday March 29, 2025

### Campaign Finance Reports - Important Dates

Pre-election report- Monday March 31, 2025

Post -election Report -Thursday, May 8, 2025

# STOUGHTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

31 PIERCE STREET  
STOUGHTON, MA 02072  
[www.stoughtonschools.org](http://www.stoughtonschools.org)

Joseph F. Baeta, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

781-344-4000 Ext 51232  
[j\\_baeta@stoughtonschools.org](mailto:j_baeta@stoughtonschools.org)

March 6, 2025

Dear Town Meeting Members, Finance Committee Members, SPS families, SPS employees and Stoughton residents:

I am writing to provide you with information about upcoming Office Hours. These Office Hours are for FY26 Budget questions and answers.

## School Department Office Hours

For the purposes of transparency and direct information we will be holding FY26 Budget Office Hours during the month of March and again in April.

Office Hours will focus on the FY26 Budget with attention to the terminology and changes impacting public education as it relates to Stoughton Public Schools.

Date	Time	Location
Sat., 3/15	10:00-11:30	At Central Office, 31 Pierce Street
3/19	5:00-6:00pm	At Central Office, 31 Pierce Street
3/22	9:00-10:00am	Virtual Meeting - Google Meet joining info Video call link: <a href="https://meet.google.com/nbp-eyyc-ycm">https://meet.google.com/nbp-eyyc-ycm</a> Or dial: (US) +1 540-883-0127 PIN: 675 334 501# More phone numbers: <a href="https://tel.meet/nbp-eyyc-ycm?pin=3343772156094">https://tel.meet/nbp-eyyc-ycm?pin=3343772156094</a>
3/24	4:00-5:00pm	At Central Office 31 Pierce Street
3/26	6:00-7:00pm	Virtual Meeting - Google Meet joining info Video call link: <a href="https://meet.google.com/gjj-yuxv-ewh">https://meet.google.com/gjj-yuxv-ewh</a> Or dial: (US) +1 401-646-2258 PIN: 656 923 938# More phone numbers: <a href="https://tel.meet/gjj-yuxv-ewh?pin=4179629953294">https://tel.meet/gjj-yuxv-ewh?pin=4179629953294</a>

OR call my office at 781.344.4000 to schedule an appointment.

## Key Terms and Changes for FY26

### Foundation Budget Changes for FY26

The Student Opportunity Act (SOA) is supported by the State Legislature as part of a seven-year implementation. The SOA establishes new, higher foundation budget rates in five areas:

1. Benefits and fixed charges
2. Guidance and psychological services
3. Special education out of district tuition
4. English learners; and
5. Low-income students

For FY2026, the rates have been increased by 5/6<sup>th</sup>s of the gap between the rates in FY2021—the base year used in the calculations—and the final target rates.

The Act also increased the number of tiers used for the low-income increment rates from ten to twelve. Districts with higher concentrations of low-income students benefit from higher rates. **Stoughton is one of the districts that benefits from the higher rate.**

In addition to these targeted rate increases, foundation budget categories are also increased to account for inflation. A new employee benefits inflation rate is applied to the employee benefits and fixed charges category. This is based on the enrollment-weighted, three-year average premium increase for all Group Insurance Commission plans; for FY2026 the increase is 6.13%.

An inflation rate of 1.93% is applied to all other foundation budget rates, based on the U.S. Department of Commerce's state and local government price deflator.

Statewide, foundation enrollment decreased from \$905,572 in FY2025 to \$905,254 in FY2026, a decrease of 318 students. Foundation enrollment decreased for 196 districts, while 118 districts experienced enrollment increases. **Stoughton has an increase in enrollment for the fourth consecutive year.**

Finally, the formula's minimum aid provision guarantees all districts receive at least the same amount of aid in FY2026 as they did in FY2025 plus a \$75 per pupil increase.

#### **Low-income and Special Education Enrollment**

The SOA reinstates the definition of low-income enrollment used prior to FY2017, based on 185% of the federal poverty level.

It replaces the economically disadvantaged designation (based on 133% of the federal poverty level) used from FY2017 through FY2022. For FY2026, a district's low-income enrollment is based on three eligibility categories:

- Students identified as participating in state public assistance programs, including the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC), MassHealth, and foster care; or
- Students verified as low income through a supplemental data collection process first used for Chapter 70 in FY2023; or
- Students reported by a district as homeless through the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance program application.

Statewide, low-income enrollment for FY2026 is \$419,861, compared to \$415,821 in FY2025.

- **Stoughton's Low Income is at 45.4% of enrolled students.**
- **Stoughton's High Needs is at 58.5% of enrolled students.**

The SOA also provides for a phase-in of increases to the assumed in-district special education enrollment to 5% for vocational students and 4% for non-vocational students. In FY2026, these assumed rates have been increased by 5/6<sup>ths</sup> of the gap to 4.97% and 3.97%, respectively.

The Foundation Budget is to multiply the number of students in thirteen (13) areas in eleven (11) functional areas.

#### **Required Local Contributions**

The aggregate wealth model that has been used to determine target local contribution requirements since FY2007 is now codified in Chapter 70 by the Act.

- For municipalities with preliminary required contributions above their targets, the effort reduction component of the formula closes 100% of the gap between their preliminary contribution and their contribution target.
- For municipalities with preliminary required contributions significantly below their targets, the formula continues to apply an additional increment to their required contribution to close a portion of the gap to their contribution target.
- Finally, pursuant to its codification in Chapter 70 by the Act, a provision introduced in the FY2020 budget specifying a minimum required local contribution of 82.5% of foundation for any city or town with a combined effort yield greater than 175% of foundation is continued in FY2026.

#### **How Do We Get There?**

There are six (6) factors that determine Chapter 70 Aid:

- **Foundation Enrollment**
  - Enrollment
  - Wage Adjustment Factor
  - Inflation

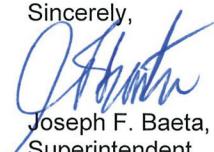
#### **PLUS**

- **Local Contribution**
  - Property Value
  - Income
  - Municipal Revenue Growth Factor

The Required Local Contribution and State Aid is NET SCHOOL SPENDING (NSS). This is the minimum to comply with state law.

Reference: MA Department of Elementary and Secondary Education ([www.doe.mass.edu](http://www.doe.mass.edu)).

Sincerely,



Joseph F. Baeta, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

# STOUGHTON RECREATION



## SPRING/SUMMER 2025 PROGRAM GUIDE

### ADULTS

**Stoughton Runs Together** with Dave Guglia **NEW!**  
Mondays 4/7-5/12 | 5:30-6:30 pm | Ages 16+ | \$50  
Location: Denison Athletic Complex | 5k included!

**Pottery Wheel Workshop** with Beeble Art Studios  
Friday 5/2 | 5:00-7:00 pm | Ages 16+  
Location: Recreation Department | \$75

**Spring Watercolor Workshop** with Laurice  
Thursday 5/15 | 5:30-7 pm | Ages 16+  
Location: Recreation Department | \$20

**Paint Night** with Beeble Art Studios  
Friday 4/4 | 5:15-7 pm | Ages 16+  
Location: Recreation Department | \$25

**Easyfit Exercise** with Mary  
Tuesdays and Fridays 10:30-11:30 am | Ages 16+  
Location 3/15-4/30: First United Methodist Church  
Location 5/3-6/28: Halloran Park | \$3 per class

**Jigsaw Wizards** with Winnie **NEW TIME!!**  
Friday 4/18 | 6-8pm | Ages 16+  
Friday 5/16 | 6-8pm | Ages 16+  
Location: Recreation Department | \$15 per team

**CPR and First Aid**  
Thursday 6/5 | 5 pm | Ages 16+  
Location: Recreation Department | \$85

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Once a Knight, Always a Knight Memorial 5k Walk/Run**  
Saturday 5/17 | 9 am | Halloran Park | \$25  
The proceeds of this race will help fund scholarships to swim lessons and summer programs for Stoughton families.

**Town Wide Beautification Day** with DPW  
Saturday 4/12 | 8 am | Council on Aging  
Join your neighbors to help clean up and beautify town!

**Town of Stoughton Fireworks**  
Tuesday 7/1 | 9 pm | Denison Athletic Complex

**July 4th Parade**  
Friday 7/4 | 10 am | Town Center

### NOW HIRING

Join our team!! Looking for summer playground counselors!  
[https://stoughtonma.mynrec.com/forms/5990\\_fable\\_job\\_application.pdf](https://stoughtonma.mynrec.com/forms/5990_fable_job_application.pdf)

Return completed application to the Recreation Department,  
15 Pleasant St. Stoughton MA 02072

### SUMMER PROGRAMS

*Ames Pond Beachfront passes available in June!*

**Pre-Playground**  
6/30-8/8 | 8:30-2:30 pm | Ages 4-5  
Location: South Elementary School | \$120 weekly

**Open Playground**  
6/30-8/8 | 8:30-2:30 pm | Entering Grades 1-6  
Location: South Elementary School | \$120 weekly

**After Playground (Open Playground registration required)**  
6/30-8/8 | 2:30-4:00 pm | Entering Grades 1-6  
Location: South Elementary School | \$45 weekly

**Teen Extreme** **NEW!**  
6/30-8/8 | 8:30-2:30 pm | Entering Grades 7-11  
Location: South Elementary School | \$180 weekly

**Street Hockey Clinic** with Coach Jay  
Mon-Thurs 7/21-7/24 | 9:30-11:00 am | Ages 7-14  
Location: Halloran Park | \$45

**Summer Golf Clinic** with Coach Donahue  
Session 1: Mon-Thurs 7/28-7/31 | 9-1 pm | Ages 7-15  
Session 2: Mon-Thurs 8/4-8/7 | 9-1 pm | Ages 7-15  
Location: Cedar Hill Golf Course | \$65

**Family Fishing Clinic** with MassWildlife  
Thursday 7/24 | 5:30 pm | All Ages  
Location: Ames Pond Causeway | \$10 per family

**Tennis Clinic** with Coach Jay  
Mon-Thurs 7/7-7/10 | 9:30-11:00 am | Ages 7-14  
Location: Stoughton High School Tennis Courts | \$45

**Baseball Clinic** with Coach Kilday **NEW!**  
Monday-Thurs 8/11-8/14 | 9:30 am - 12 pm | Ages 7-14  
Location: Denison Athletic Complex

**SOLD OUT**

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

All dates, times and locations are subject to change. For the most up to date info, please visit our website or contact the office recreation@stoughton-ma.gov or 781-341-1300 ext 144. Prices listed are for Stoughton residents, non-resident rates may apply.

# STOUGHTON RECREATION



## SPRING/SUMMER 2025 PROGRAM GUIDE

### KIDS & TEENS

#### Craft & Play with Rec Staff

Wednesdays 3/26-4/16 | 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 | 4/27-6/8  
Location: Halloran Park | Ages 2-5 | \$100

#### Little Sports Stars with Rec Staff *NEW TIME!!*

Thursdays 5/1-5/22 | 11:15-12 pm | Ages 4-5  
Location: Halloran Park | \$25

#### Mini Knights Lacrosse with Rec Staff

Thursdays 3:30-4:15 | 5/1-5/22 | Ages 4-6  
Location: Halloran Park | \$35

#### Culinary Creations with Rec Staff

Wednesday 4/2 | 3-4:30 pm | Ages 6-11  
Tuesday 5/20 | 3-4:30 pm | Ages 6-11  
Location: Recreation Department | \$15

**SOLD OUT**

#### Kids Night Out with Rec Staff

Friday 4/11 | 5-9 pm | Ages 6-12  
Location: Recreation Department | \$12

**SOLD OUT**

#### Slime Workshop with Rec Staff

Wednesday 3/26 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Ages 6-12  
Tuesday 5/7 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Ages 6-12  
Location: Recreation Department | \$10

**SOLD OUT**

#### Rock Climbing with Central Rock Gym Randolph *NEW!!*

Session 1: Saturdays 3/29-5/3 | 11:30-1:30 PM  
Session 2: Saturdays 5/10-6/14 | 11:30-1:30 PM  
Ages 7-12 | \$175  
Location: Central Rock Gym Randolph

#### Archery with On The Mark Archery

Session 1: Sundays 4/27-5/18 | 5-6 pm  
Session 2: Sundays 6/1-6/22 | 5-6 pm  
Grade 4-Adult | \$170  
Location: Pequitside Farm, Canton

#### Ceramic Bunny Workshop with Rec Staff

Monday 4/14 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Ages 5-8  
Wednesday 4/16 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Ages 8-12  
Location: Recreation Department | \$12

**SOLD OUT**

#### Spring Golf Clinic with Matt

Tuesdays 4/8-5/6 | 3:00-4:30 pm | Ages 9-15  
Mondays 5/12-6/9 | 3:00-4:30 pm | Ages 9-15  
Location: Cedar Hill Golf Course | \$40

**SOLD OUT**

#### Teen Chefs with Rec Staff

Monday 3/31 | 3-4:30 pm | Ages 11-17  
Wednesday 5/21 | 3-4:30 pm | Ages 11-17  
Location: Recreation Department | \$15

**SOLD OUT**

### APRIL VACATION PROGRAMS

#### Lego Club with Winny

Tues-Thurs 4/22-4/24 | 10-11:30 am | Grades K-3  
Location: Recreation Department | \$40

#### Create-Your-Own Music Video with SMAC

Tues-Thurs 4/22-4/24 | 1:00-4:00 pm | Grades 5-9  
Location: SMAC, 421 Page St #2, Stoughton | \$25

#### Street Hockey Clinic with Coach Jay

Tues-Thurs 4/22-4/24 | 9:30-11:00 am | Ages 7-14  
Location: Gibbons School Basketball Court | \$45

#### Babysitter Training Course with SYC

Tues-Thurs 4/22-4/24 | 10 am - 12 pm (CPR Wed 10-12:30)  
Location: Stoughton Youth Commission | Ages 12-18 | \$30

To sign up or for more info, visit  
**[www.Stoughtonrec.org](http://www.Stoughtonrec.org)**

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# Teen Extreme is back for year 2!

A summer program tailored just for students entering grades 7-11. Join us for a blend of field trips and recreational games designed to make your summer memorable. Explore local attractions, engage in friendly games, and enjoy a variety of activities with peers. Teen Extreme will also offer CIT-like opportunities for kids interested in becoming a counselor. Teen Extreme is a fun and engaging way to spend your summer break!

Sign up at [www.stoughtonrec.org](http://www.stoughtonrec.org)

## JULY 2025 TEEN EXTREME Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Week 1 30	Starland Sportsplex and Fun Center 1	Altitude Trampoline Park 2	United Skates of America 3	July 4th No Open Playground 4	Teen Extreme is our NEW summer program for those entering grades 7-10. Field trips are included in the price of the program.  Dates: 6/30/25-8/8/25  Hours: 8:30 am - 2:30 pm  Location: South Elementary School UPPER CAMPUS 171 Ash St, Stoughton  Register weekly or for the whole summer!  Sign up at <a href="http://www.StoughtonRec.org">www.StoughtonRec.org</a>
Week 2 7	Castle Island 8	Central Rock Gym 9	Ames Pond 10	Xtreme Craze 11	
Week 3 14	TreeTop Adventures 15	Urban Air Adventure Park 16	United Skates of America 17	TBD 18	
Week 4 21	Altitude Trampoline Park 22	Dave and Busters 23	Water Wizz 24	Ames Pond 25	
Week 5 28	Castle Island 29	Worcester Red Sox Game 30	United Skates of America 31	Xtreme Craze 1	

## AUGUST 2025

4	5	6	7	8
Week 6	Ames Pond	On-Site CARNIVAL	Field Trip to: WATER WIZZ	LAST DAY!!

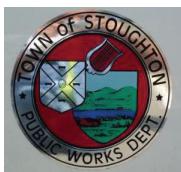


This calendar is tentative and is subject to change

# Materials Currently Banned from Disposal or Transfer for Disposal in Massachusetts per MASS DEP.



- ⌘ ASPHALT PAVEMENT, BRICK AND CONCRETE- C & D FACILITY
- ⌘ CATHODE RAY TUBES- HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY
- ⌘ CLEAN GYPSUM WALLBOARD- C & D FACILITY
- ⌘ COMMERCIAL FOOD MATERIAL (LOWER THRESHOLD EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2022)
- ⌘ FERROUS AND NON-FERROUS METALS- SCRAP METAL FACILITY
- ⌘ GLASS, METAL, AND PLASTIC CONTAINERS (BOTTLES, CANS, JARS, JUGS AND TUBS)
  - RECYCLE BINS
- ⌘ LEAD ACID BATTERIES- HAZARDOUS WASTE
- ⌘ LEAVES AND YARD WASTE- 100 PAGE ST ON SATURDAYS
- ⌘ MATTRESSES (EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2022)- BULK ITEM PICK UP
- ⌘ RECYCLABLE PAPER, CARDBOARD AND PAPERBOARD - RECYCLE BINS
- ⌘ TEXTILES (EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2022)- DONATE
- ⌘ TREATED AND UNTREATED WOOD AND WOOD WASTE
  - (BANNED FROM LANDFILLS ONLY)- C & D FACILITY
- ⌘ WHITE GOODS (LARGE APPLIANCES)- BULK ITEM PICK UP
- WHOLE TIRES (BANNED FROM LANDFILLS ONLY; SHREDDED TIRES ACCEPTABLE)
  - HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY



**Stoughton Public Works Department**  
**950 Central Street**

STOUGHTON TOWN HALL IS PROUD TO PRESENT THE

# SENIOR PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS

**HOSTED BY TOM CALTER  
AND JOSEPH MOKRISKY**

Learn about tax reduction options that may benefit you at our upcoming series of informational sessions. Renters and homeowners alike can find options that benefit their bottom line.

## **COUNCIL ON AGING**

- Wednesday, March 5, 11 AM - 12:30 PM
- Thursday, March 13, 10 AM - 11:30 AM

## **AHAVATH TORAH CONGREGATION**

- Thursday, March 20, 11 AM - 2:00 PM

## **STOUGHTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

- Tuesday, March 25 at 6 -7:30 PM

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED**

## **Questions?**

Contact Janiece Bruce at the Stoughton Council on Aging at 781-344-8882 or [jbruce@stoughton-ma.gov](mailto:jbruce@stoughton-ma.gov).





Stoughton Public Library\*84 Park Street\*Stoughton, MA

## MARCH MADNESS SMASH BROS TOURNAMENT

1ST PLACE - \$20.00  
2ND PLACE - \$15.00  
3RD PLACE - \$10.00  
GIFT CARDS

REGISTRATION BEGINS  
MARCH 10 :



FOR TEENS



Practice

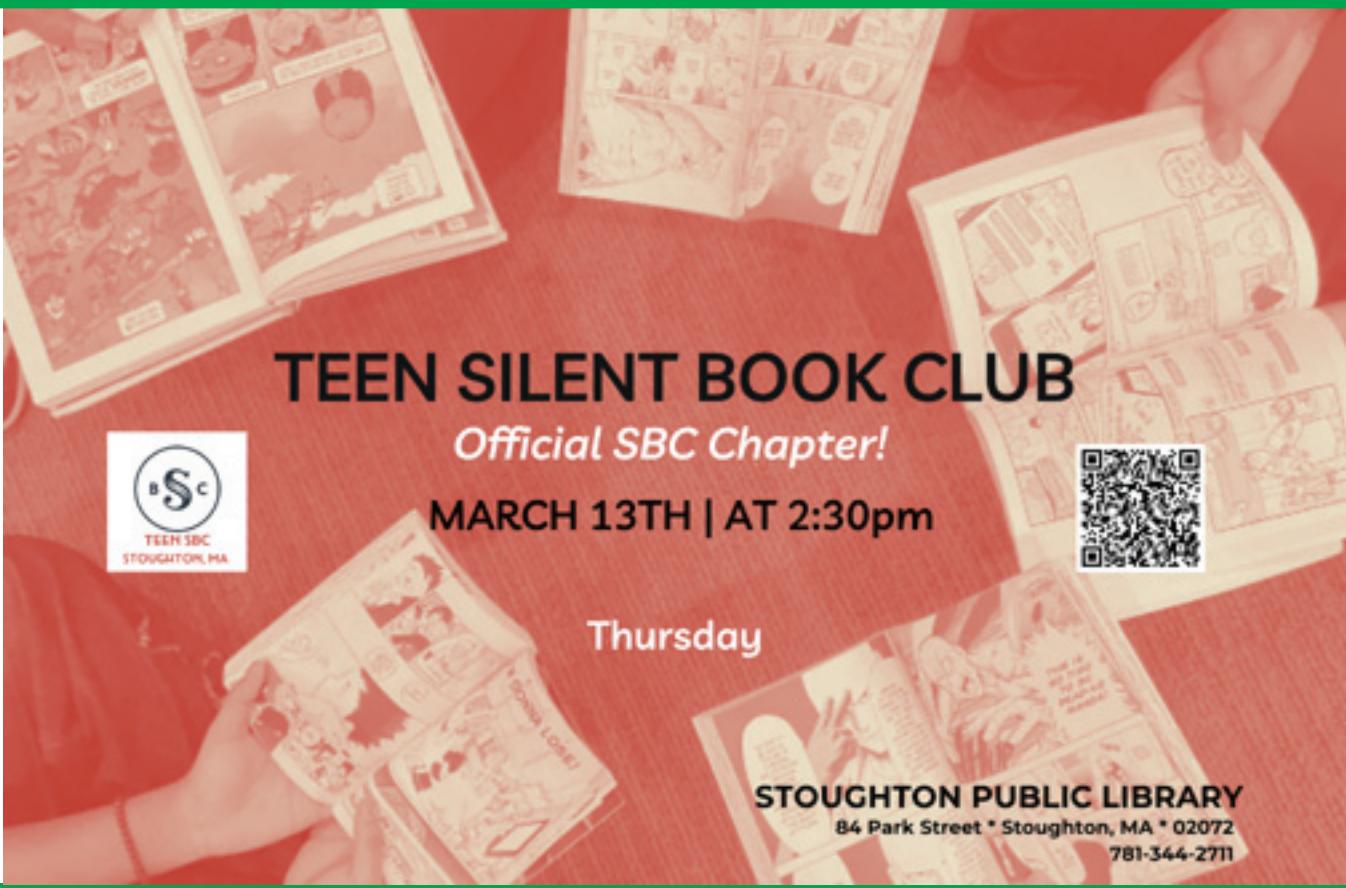
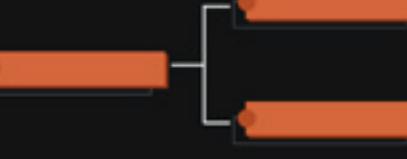
Tues 3/18 & Wed 3/19



Tournament

Thurs 3/20

Starts at 1PM



TEEN SILENT BOOK CLUB  
*Official SBC Chapter!*

MARCH 13TH | AT 2:30pm

Thursday

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# AGENDA

Committee on Finance and Taxation

Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 7PM

Great Hall Town Hall 3rd floor • 10 Pearl St. Stoughton

# Public Hearing

**A Public Hearing will be held by the Committee on Finance and Taxation on March 12, 2025 to discuss the FY26 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. Article 49 – Tax Repayment Program
5. ARTICLE 14 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET (FY26)  
EDUCATION BUDGETS
  - a. Stoughton Public Schools
  - b. Southeastern Regional High School
  - c. Norfolk County Agricultural High School

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

6. Article 30 – School Department Capital
  - Item 1. Firewall Replacement: \$168,338
  - Item 2. Wireless Access Points: \$461,388
  - Item 3. Redistricting Study: \$90,000

7. Motion to Continue Public Hearing.
8. Adjourn

-Votes may be taken-

for internet access.



# Stoughton Public Library

## JOURNALING WORKSHOP

*Learn the art and value of journals*

*"to capture the events and texture of...  
lives and find that they are extraordinary."*

### Adult workshop:

Thursday March 20th 6:30pm

### Teens workshop:

Tuesday March 25th 3pm

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84 Park St., Stoughton, MA



Registration required  
(Journals & Spaces are Limited)



# KNIT/CROCHET CIRCLE

**TUES. 3/11**

FOR TEENS

Starts at 2:45PM

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Join us for knitting or  
crocheting w/ special pop  
up monthly by local artist  
Becky!!



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# It's time to register!

your dogs for their 2025 license!

## Dog Licenses

Licenses are granted through the Clerk's office  
at Town Hall or can be registered online.

Please note any dog not registered by April 30th will  
be charged a \$25.00 late fee.

Please visit the Clerk's page on the Town website  
for additional information.

please make sure to bring your current rabies certificate.



# A message from the Town Manger's Office

## Massachusetts School Building Authority

Deborah B. Goldberg  
*Chair, State Treasurer*

James A. MacDonald  
*Chief Executive Officer*

Mary L. Pichetti  
*Executive Director/Deputy CEO*

March 4, 2025

Mr. Thomas J. Calter, Town Manager  
Town of Stoughton  
Stoughton Town Hall  
10 Pearl Street, Third Floor  
Stoughton, MA 02072

Re: Town of Stoughton, South Elementary School

Dear Mr. Calter:

The Massachusetts School Building Authority (the “MSBA”) is issuing this letter in response to the letter from the Town of Stoughton (the “District”) dated February 2, 2025, regarding the South Elementary School Project (the “Project”). Previously, in a letter dated August 13, 2024, the MSBA granted the District an extension of an additional 223 days beyond the initial 120-day deadline to secure local funding for the Project.

In its letter, the District references the initial extension through April 3, 2025, granted by the MSBA following the failed ballot-debt exclusion vote held on June 11, 2024, and indicates additional time, beyond April 3, 2025, is necessary due to a local error in calculating the town-by-law dictating the time between the annual election and the annual town meeting. A new date for the annual election has been established and confirmed for April 8, 2025. To provide sufficient time to certify the vote actions on April 8, 2025, the District is requesting time through April 22, 2025.

At the MSBA Board of Directors meeting on February 26, 2025, staff presented the status of the Project and its support for a total of 27 additional days, to reach April 30, 2025, for the District to conclude with its local actions and approvals to secure project funding. With this additional extension, the MSBA is requesting a letter from the District by April 30, 2025, either confirming that the revote was successful and providing a certified copy of the vote or indicating that the District would like its Statement of Interest for South Elementary School to be removed from the Capital Pipeline at the MSBA’s Board of Directors meeting on June 26, 2025.

If the District is unable to secure voter approval by April 30, 2025, for the Project as authorized by the MSBA Board of Directors, the District will have to remove its current Statement of Interest and submit a new Statement of Interest and await a second invitation from the MSBA to enter the grant program. If the MSBA Board of Directors were to issue such a second invitation, the MSBA would require that the District:

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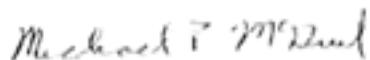
March 4, 2025

Stoughton, South Elementary School Extension Request Response Letter

- start the process anew, including the completion of Eligibility Period requirements and the selection processes for an owner's project manager and designer; and,
- perform a new feasibility study and schematic design for the South Elementary School without financial participation from the MSBA for these phases of the work.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me or Carley Belfield ([Carley.Belfield@MassSchoolBuildings.org](mailto:Carley.Belfield@MassSchoolBuildings.org)) at 617-720-4466.

Sincerely,



Michael McGurl  
Director of Capital Planning

Cc: Legislative Delegation  
Stephen M. Cavey, Chair, Stoughton Select Board  
Katherine Weiss, Chair, Stoughton School Committee  
Dr. Joseph Baeta, Superintendent, Stoughton Public Schools  
Timothy Bonfatti, Owner's Project Manager, The Vertex Companies, LLC  
Chin Lin, Owner's Project Manager, The Vertex Companies, LLC  
Carl Franceschi, Designer, Drummeay Rosane Anderson, Inc.  
File: 10.2 Letters (Region 5)

