

Stoughton Town Crier

TOWN OF STOUGHTON UPDATED NOVEMBER 6, 2023 ROBERTA HARBACK



Latest
Announcements
for
Stoughton's
Town
& School
Departments

All information taken from various Town of Stoughton pages



Selectboard Agenda

Tuesday November 7, 2023 - 7:30 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: meet.google.com/sjo-nhp-d-vdd
PHONE: 406-641-2035
PIN: 838 122 010#

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. 7:30 p.m. **OPEN SESSION**
Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance
2. 7:35 p.m. Select Board Comments
3. 7:45 p.m. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. Approval of Open Session Minutes Meeting of October 17, 2023
 - b. Water Connection Application - John Stagnone, Holmes Ave. Parcel ID 068-113 John Stagnone
 - c. Water Connection Application - Esther Davis, 39 Robinette Road Esther Davis
 - d. Water Connection Application - G.S. Redlon & Sons, Inc, 92 Evans Drive Michael Redlon
4. 7:55 p.m. **Public Hearing:**
 - a. Class III License Application - M&D Core Inc., 295 Canton St. Jonathan Spiegel
 - b. Class II License Application - Stoughton Auto Sales LLC, 7 Cabot Place, Suite 5 Frank Mogan

8:15 p.m. c. National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. joint pole petition - Project #30304540 Washington St.

8:20 p.m. d. National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. joint pole petition - Project #30304540 York St.

8:25 p.m. e. National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. joint pole petition - Project #30304540 Lincoln St.

8:30 p.m. f. National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. joint pole petition - Project #30304540 Glen St.

8:35 p.m. g. National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. joint pole petition - Project #30304540 Central St.

8:40 p.m. h. National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. joint pole petition - Project #30782920

8:45 p.m. i. National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. joint pole petition - Project #30783079

8:50 p.m. j. National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. joint pole petition - Project #30806524



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Town of Stoughton

Department of Veterans' Services
10 Pearl Street Stoughton MA 02072
Tel: 781-341-1300 x9221
Email: sjohnson@stoughton-ma.gov



Reflagging of Veterans' Graves

Saturday, November 4th

All Welcome

On Saturday, November 4th, we will be reflagging the graves of all veterans at the Holy Sepulcher and Evergreen Cemeteries. Many people have found this to be a moving experience and have come away with a genuine sense of accomplishment, pride and contentment. This is a great event to instill these feelings and values in our children and grandchildren; by honoring those who came before us, those who gifted all of us with the still abundant opportunities we all have today in our great Country.

If you know which cemetery you wish to go to, please feel free to go directly to either Holy Sepulcher or Evergreen by 10:05AM. The Stoughton Veterans' Graves Officer will be at Holy Sepulcher and the Stoughton Veterans' Officer will be at Evergreen by that time or very shortly thereafter. For everyone else we will be meeting at 10:00AM at VFW Post 1645 at 837 Washington Street. After a brief introduction to the process you may go to either Evergreen or Holy Sepulcher.

Refreshments will be served at the VFW after the completion of the reflagging.

Veterans Day Parade ** Saturday, November 11th

The Veterans Day Parade will begin forming in the parking area at VFW Post 1645 on Washington Street at 9:30AM. It will begin at 10:00AM sharp. The parade route will proceed through the square to the Stoughton Town Hall via Washington St. and Pearl St. for a ceremony and wreath laying at the Memorial Bell. The parade will then reform on Pearl St. and proceed back through the square to Faxon Veterans' Memorial Park for two memorials. The parade will then proceed down Walnut St. to Washington St. and go back to the VFW. The entire parade will be approximately 1½ hours. At the VFW there will be a collation following the parade.

Participants in the parade generally include the VFW Color Guard and Firing Detail, Veterans groups, the Police and Fire Departments, the High School Band, Town and State officials, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and possibly other groups. The ceremonies at the various sites include opening prayers, playing by the High School Band, the laying of wreaths and various speakers. The parade will end at approximately 11:45AM at which time you are cordially invited to a collation at the VFW at 837 Washington Street.

Federal, State, and Local Veterans Benefits

Are you a **veteran** or **dependent of a veteran** who has never asked about benefits that may have been **earned**? Are you struggling **financially**? Interested in the **VA Healthcare System**? Do you have a family member in need of **Aid & Attendance**? Do you think you have a **Service-Connected Disability**? Do you have a service-connected disability that has **worsened over the years**? For these or any other related questions please call, we may be able to help.

PLEASE PASS THESE MESSAGES ALONG

No
trash/recycle
will be picked up on
Friday, November 10.
Veterans Day



Friday's
trash/recycle
will be picked up on
Monday November 13



Please have it curbside by 7 A.M.

CARDBOARD DISPOSAL

cardboard must be recycled,

it needs to be
broken down
and placed in a
recycling bin
or barrel.

*Do not bag your
cardboard for trash!*



Recycling

residents
no longer need to
separate your
paper/cardboard from your
cans/plastics/glass.

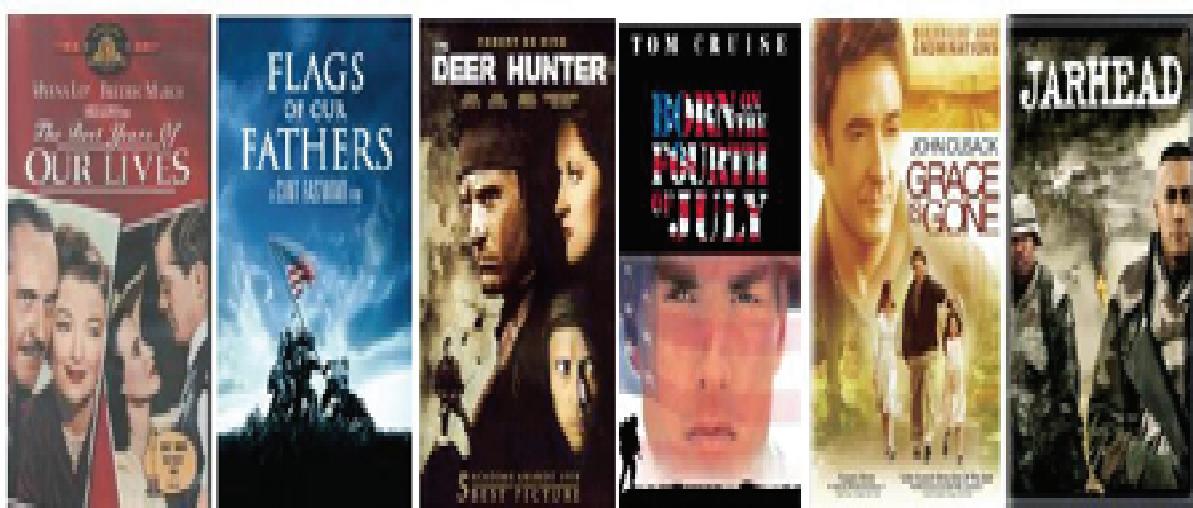
All recyclables
need to be in your
recycling bin or barrel.

No plastic bags allowed

STOUGHTON PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS:

Protecting Our Freedoms: The Veteran Experience in Film

with Stoughton film historian Frank Mandosa



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH
6:30 PM - 8:15 PM ON ZOOM

Please visit <https://www.stoughton.org/595/Attend> to sign up.

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

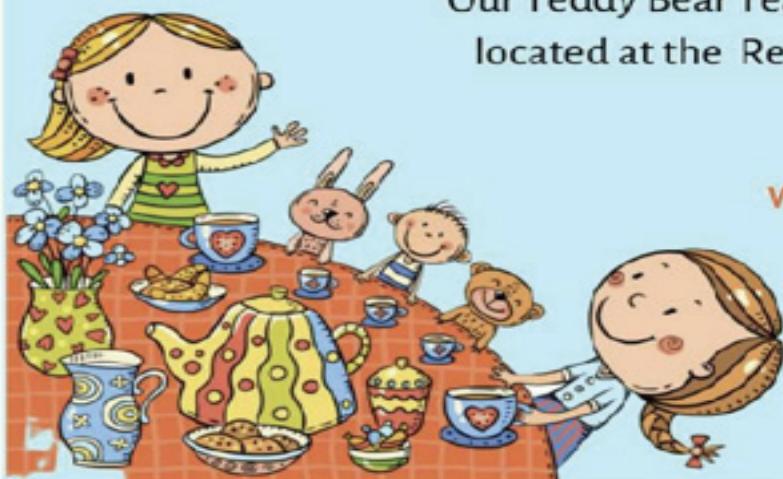


A high school English & Film teacher, Frank Mandosa gives talks on a wide variety of film-related topics & has 2 movie podcasts, Silver Screeners (host) & Movies Across the Pod (co-host). Facebook movie group: "Silver Screeners" / Twitter: @ilmbuff1974 / Email: silverscreenerspac@gmail.com www.frankmandosa.weebly.com

TEDDY BEAR TEA PARTY

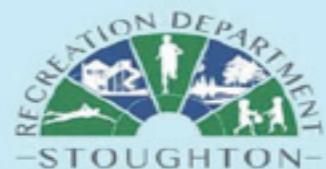
Monday November 6th | 10:00-11:30 AM | \$25 res, \$30 non-res

Wear your finest party clothes and create your own stuffed animal with *Teddy Town!*
Our Teddy Bear Tea Party is for ages 2-4 and is located at the Rec Building at 15 Pleasant St.



Registration open now!

www.StoughtonRec.org



Worry Stone Workshop

in collaboration with the Stoughton Youth Commission

11/9 | 3:30-4:30 pm | Grades 5-9 | \$5



Using polymer clay, participants will create their very own worry stones! Worry stones are used for relaxation or anxiety relief by holding the stone between the index finger and thumb and gently moving one's thumb back and forth across the stone. This action of moving one's thumb back and forth across the stone is thought to reduce stress.



To register, visit

www.StoughtonRec.org

Stoughton School Committee Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday November 7, 2023 at 7:00 PM

31 Pierce St. • School Committee Conference Room

6:00pm Open Meeting

Executive Session

1. STA Unit A Negotiation Strategy
2. Paraprofessionals Negotiation Strategy
3. STA Unit B MOA Tentative Agreement Review
4. Acceptance of Minutes: October 10, 2023

7:00pm Open Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1. Public Comment
2. Superintendent Update
3. Student Advisory Committee Representative Update
4. New Business
 - Class of 1973 Scholarship in Memory of James Clark Acceptance
 - Jennifer L. Jacobs Scholarship Acceptance
 - Wellness Committee Appointment
 - North River Collaborative Quarterly Report
 - FY25 Budget Draft Review
 - MASC Resolutions Review
 - Acceptance of Warrants
 - Acceptance of Minutes: October 10, 2023
5. Old Business
 - Elementary School Building Project Update & Responsibilities
6. Other Matters
7. Adjourn

Next Regular Meeting – November 21, 2023

Votes may be taken on any of the above items.

Agenda items may be taken out of order



Town Hall
will be closing at 4:30 p.m. on
Thursday November 9 and
will be closed on
Friday November 10
Veterans Day



Town of Stoughton

Planning Board Agenda

**Thursday...November 9 ...7:00 PM...Great Hall Town Hall
and virtually via Google Meets**

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To Join via Google Meets: meet.google.com/frr-knmr-zta
Phone: 1-402-603-2083
PIN: 997 127 323#

Note: Items may be taken out of order.

7:00PM

1. Chairman's Comments
2. A **CONTINUED** public hearing will be held on the petition of the applicant: Father Bills and Mainspring, 460 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA 02301, represented by DeCelle-Burk-Sala & Associates, Inc., 1266 Furnace Brook Parkway, Suite 401, Quincy, MA 02169, for Site Plan Review under Section 10.7 to convert the existing motel, managers building and existing single family residence into 24-efficiency unit apartment complex. The applicant is requesting a waiver to Section 4.1.2 Table of Dimensional and Density Regulations to allow the existing 4-foot side yard setback to remain, Section 6.1.6 Table of Off Street Parking and Section 6.1.7.19 to reduce the required parking from 24 space to 13 space and allow the two-way drive isle to be reduced from 24-feet to 20-feet. The project is located at 1919 Washington Street (Assessors Map 60 Lot 015) in an GB (General Business) Zoning District.
3. A **CONTINUED** public hearing will be held on the petition of the applicant T.W Conroy LLC, c/o Conroy Development Corp. 104 Page Street, Suite 2, Stoughton, MA 02072, represented by Highpoint Engineering, Dedham Executive Center, 980 Washington Street, Suite 216, Dedham, MA 02026, for Special Permit under Section 6.1.6 and 6.1.9 Off-street Parking and Loading Requirements for a reduction in parking request, Site Plan Review under Section 10.6.2 for the proposed development of 6,800 sf of new building area consisting of 34 Movable Additional Self Storage Units, waiver request to Section 10.6.5 Development Impact Report, project located at 104 Page Street (Assessors Map 104 Lot 004) in an HB (Highway Business) Zoning District.
4. A **NEW** public hearing will be held on the petition of the applicant – the petition of the applicant and owner, VFW Brucewood LLC, 540 VFW Parkway, Suite 3, West Roxbury, MA 02132, represented by Attorney Barry R. Crimmins, 909 Washington Street, Stoughton, MA 02072 for a Definitive Subdivision Approval, under MGL Ch. 41, Sec. 81K-81GG and the Stoughton Land Subdivision Regulations of February 17, 1999. The proposal is to create an 18 lot residential subdivision with related infrastructure. Waivers have been requested to Section IV – Procedures for Submission and Approval of Plans and Section VI – Design and Construction Standards. The property is located at 0 Eagle Rock Road (Assessors Map 8, Lots 16 and 17) in the Residential A ("RA") zoning district.
5. Deliberations on the Site Plan Review decision for Halloran Park, Stoughton Recreation Department – Pierce and Leach Streets. Votes may be taken.
6. Extension Request for 1580 Turnpike Street, Site Plan (SP20-005) and Special Permit (SPP 21-08), applicant Titanium Group, LLC. Votes may be taken.
7. General Business
 - Meeting Minutes
 - SRA – URP committee – 2 Planning Board members requested (vote may be taken)
8. Other Business
9. Adjournment

On- Call



The Town of Stoughton is contracting for On-Call Snow Plowing Services for the upcoming winter season.

Information and documents can be obtained by e-mailing the Procurement Department at fbruttaniti@stoughton-ma.gov or call 781- 232-9364.

Complete Snow Plowing Operation responses will be accepted at the Town Hall Procurement Department, 3rd floor 10 Pearl Street before November 9, 2023.

The number of contracted pieces of equipment will be determined by the DPW Superintendent based on the needs to supplement the Town's equipment

EPA selects six communities to improve stormwater management and advance environmental justice

October 19, 2023

Contact Information

JoAnne Kittrell (kittrell.joanne@epa.gov)
(857) 262-3789

BOSTON (Oct. 19, 2023) – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has identified Milford, Somerville, Stoughton, Amherst, Chicopee, and South Hadley to work with the Agency on stormwater management through two collaborative problem-solving projects over the coming year. The municipalities were selected to receive in-kind technical assistance from EPA to advance environmental justice for disadvantaged communities within the Charles River Watershed, Mystic River Watershed, Neponset River Watershed, and the Pioneer Valley (Connecticut River Watershed).

The effort will be particularly focused on low-cost green infrastructure options that align local needs with the municipalities' maintenance capabilities and provide additional benefits to communities with environmental justice concerns. Specifically, the municipalities expressed interest in the following topics:

Stoughton is interested in learning about maintenance schedule tracking tools for public and private stormwater controls and learning about streamlined approaches to maintain a successful stormwater control program.

The expected outcome of the effort is a tailored stormwater management strategy for each municipality, as well as important progress toward improving the water quality impacts of stormwater runoff. The results of this collaborative effort will build capacity and useable tools that will be applicable to all municipalities and provide a strategic approach to prioritizing stormwater management in communities that have environmental justice concerns.

More information is available at:

<https://www.epa.gov/npdes/npdes-stormwater-program>.



**Town of Stoughton
10 Pearl Street
Stoughton, MA 02072**

Phone: 781-341-1300
Fax 781-341-1032
www.stoughton-ma.gov

Stephanie G. Carrara, CMC/MMC
Town Clerk

NOMINATION PAPERS FOR ALL OFFICES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Important Dates to Remember:

Possible Preliminary Election: February 13, 2024

Last Day to Register to Vote: Saturday, February 3, 2024 (5:00 p.m.)

Town Election: April 2, 2024

Last Day to Register to Vote: Saturday, March 23, 2024 (5:00 p.m.)

For Board of Selectmen, School Committee, Redevelopment & Housing Authority

Last Day to Obtain Nomination Papers: Friday, December 22, 2023 (12:00 p.m.)

Last Day to Submit Nomination Papers: Tuesday, December 26, 2023 (5:00 p.m.)

Last Day to Withdraw from Ballot: Thursday, December 28, 2023 (7:00 p.m.)

In order to be placed on the ballot, at least 120 signatures must be on nomination papers. 100 of those signatures must be certified.

For Town Meeting Representatives Only

Last Day to Obtain Nomination Papers: Friday, February 9, 2024 (12:00 p.m.)

Last Day to Submit Nomination Papers: Tuesday, February 13, 2024 (5:00 p.m.)

Last Day to Withdraw from Ballot: Thursday, February 15, 2024 (7:00 p.m.)

In order to be placed on the ballot as a Town Meeting Representative, nomination papers must be signed by fifteen qualified registered voters from your precinct. It is recommended that you get at least 20 signatures on your nomination paper.

Helpful tips:

A candidate can sign their own nomination papers.

If a signature is illegible, it is acceptable to have the voter print their name next to their signature.

The entire address must be written out. (For example, 1 Main St. is acceptable. 1 Main is not.)

Incomplete addresses cannot be certified.

PO Boxes are not acceptable.

Possible reasons a signature is not certified on a nomination paper

*Has the voter moved recently? If they have not re-registered at the new address, their signature cannot be certified.

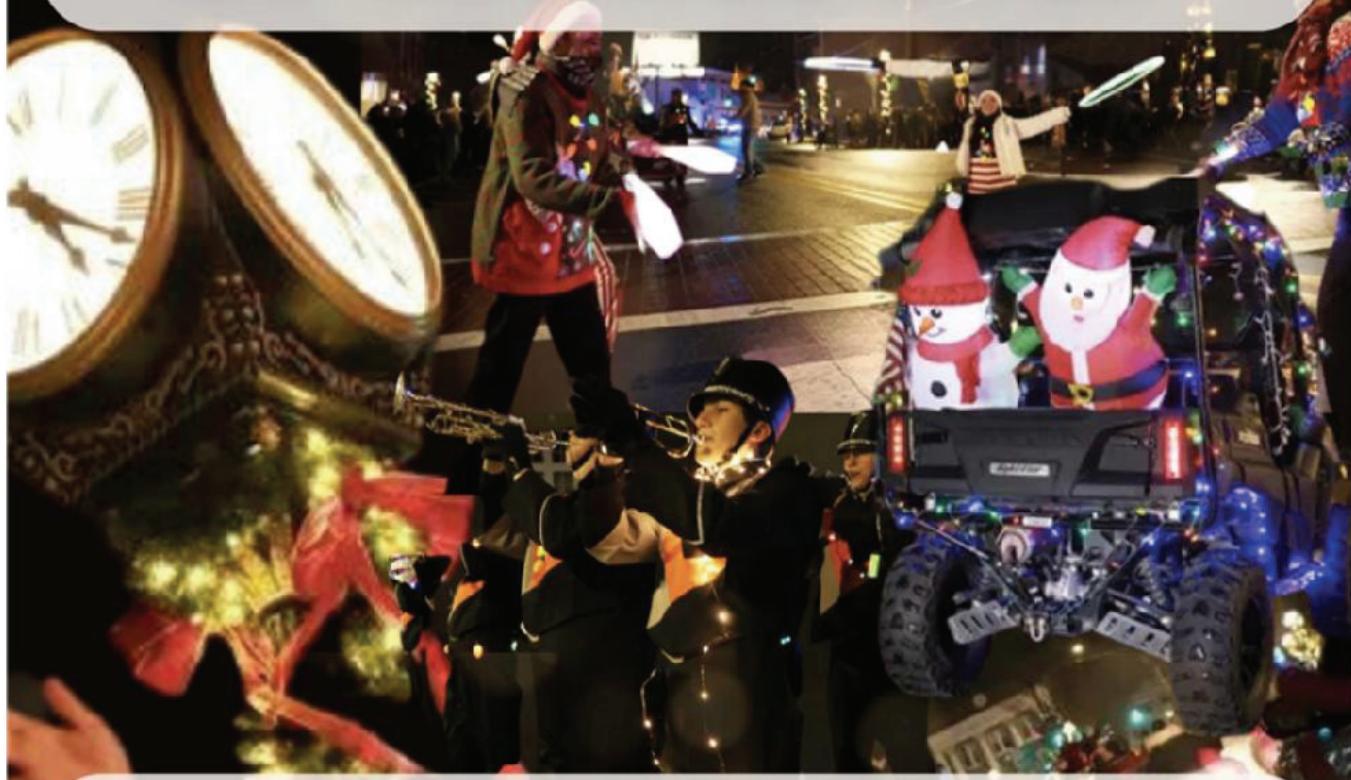
*If the signature is illegible and unable to be identified, it will not be certified.

* " " marks are unacceptable. Each address must be fully written out after each signature.

**** IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION LETTER FROM THE CLERKS OFFICE
PLEASE CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK DIRECTLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AT 781-232-9224****

Town of Stoughton's Annual

HOLIDAY PARADE OF LIGHTS 2023



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9th

Starts at 5 pm at High School, ends at corner of Park & Leach St

**SEEKING GROUPS AND BUSINESSES TO PARTICIPATE!
VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO REGISTER!**

www.StoughtonRec.org





**Town of Stoughton
offers Jack's Rain
Barrels* and
Composters Sales for
Water Conservation and
Soil Conservation!**

Order today while supplies last!

Call:

The Conservation/Environmental Affairs Office,
Engineering Department,
Town Hall , 10 Pearl St,
(781) 341-1300 ext. 9262, 9261 & 9187
Or DPW ext. 9410

*Arrangements for delivery or pick up at
The Town will be made at time of payment.*

*Make your check payable to:
The Town of Stoughton.*

*Drop by or send a check, the home address
and your contact information to:
Engineering Department/Conservation
Commission
2nd Floor Town Hall.*

*Call anytime or stop by the Engineering
office, 2nd floor Town Hall during office
hours Monday through Wednesday of 8:30
to 4:30; Thursday 8:30 to 7:00 & Fridays 8:30
to 12:00 PM.*

Rev. 6-29-21



**2 colors to choose from
for composters: tan and black!**

Prices for Rain Barrels*

= \$ 80

Tax= \$ 5

Total: \$ 85

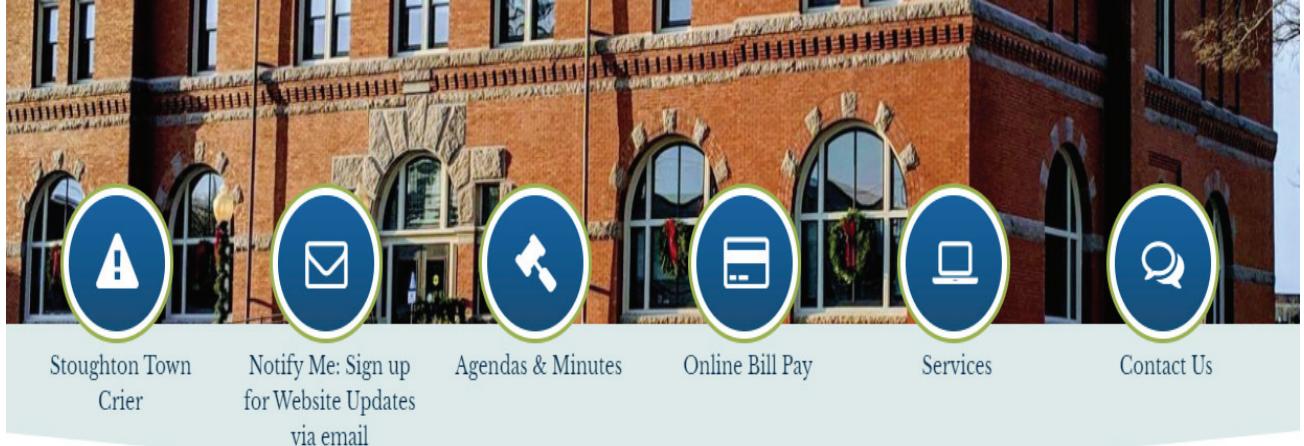
Composters =

Tax= \$ 5

Total= \$ 85

***Rain Barrels must be
elevated on a block for the
most efficient use of the
brass spigot.**

Town of Stoughton Residents Stay Informed



Please go to our website Stoughton-ma.gov
Click on "Notify Me" button on our homepage
and sign up to receive Town Alerts & News
only your e-mail is required

You may select one or more lists from the section below

Urgent Alert
Town Alerts
News or Announcement
Town Crier Newsletter
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Stay Informed...Stay Safe

Town Residents:

Please take a moment to follow the Link below and respond to our community survey regarding climate change.

Your input will help our Committee carry out its mission in addressing climate change.

Thank you for participating.

<https://forms.gle/BrzuNM4YVPZZXLrEA>



Climate Action
Plan Committee



Town Meeting

Stoughton has a representative Town Meeting form of town government. Per the Town Charter, Stoughton has 168 Town Meeting Representatives. Twenty-one representatives are elected to three-year terms from each of the eight Stoughton voting precincts. Pursuant to the Town Charter, under Section C7-1, the Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Monday in May. The Select Board may call a Special Town Meeting at any time in accordance to the Town Charter. Town Meeting continues until business is completed or is otherwise scheduled. Contact the Town Clerk's office or the Town Moderator for specific town meeting dates. Further details regarding the Town Meeting are available in the Town Charter.

Special Town Meeting

is scheduled to start on
Monday, November 6, 2023 at 7:00pm.

**The Meeting will be held in person at the
O'Donnell Middle School**

211 Cushing Street • Stoughton

Town Manager's Selectboard Review

Thomas Calter, Town Manager