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BALLOT 1 OF 3

OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION BELMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 8, 2022

Cynthia M. DeRoy TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:
B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

Grid of ballot sections including: SELECTMAN, BUDGET COMMITTEE, LIBRARY TRUSTEE, TOWN MODERATOR, TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR, TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS, PLANNING BOARD, TOWN TREASURER, LIBRARY TRUSTEE, ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. Each section lists candidates with names and handwritten numbers, and includes 'Vote for not more than' instructions and oval checkboxes.

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## BALLOT QUESTIONS

**Ballot #2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

Delete Accessory Dwelling Use as a use and instead create two new uses: Dwelling Unit Accessory to Residential Use and Dwelling Unit Subordinate to Non-Residential Use. A Dwelling Unit Accessory to Residential Use shall not exceed 1,250 sf or 40% of the sum of the net floor area of both the finished primary dwelling unit and the finished accessory dwelling unit whichever is larger and is permitted in an attached or detached accessory structure. One Dwelling Unit Subordinate to Non-Residential Use shall be permitted by right in the Commercial and Industrial Districts if occupied by the business owner and family, and shall be permitted, by conditional use permit, to be occupied by the onsite business manager/security person and family. The definitions, full regulations, requirements, standards and restrictions for each type of accessory and subordinate dwelling unit are included in the Ordinance. Appropriate changes to the Table of Uses will also be made.

448 YES   
279 NO

**Ballot #5.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Dollars (\$3,192,000) for the purpose of constructing an Iron and Manganese Treatment Facility including engineering costs, acquisition of land or interests in land and all other costs reasonably associated with this project. This appropriation is to be funded by a grant in the amount of Six Hundred Thirty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$638,400) from the Department of Environmental Services appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds, and further to authorize the issuance of a bond or note in the amount of up to Two Million Five Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$2,553,600) in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to the project and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. Recommendations required (3/5 ballot vote required).

(The Budget Committee recommends \$3,192,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

464 Needed  
Not Passed. 415 YES   
359 NO

**Ballot #6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) for the purpose of improvements to the Coons Point Pump Station and a Generator for the Shaker Road Station and to further authorize the issuance of not more than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. Recommendations required (3/5 ballot vote required).

(The Budget Committee recommends \$1,000,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Needed 451 YES   
444  
to Pass, 308 NO

**Ballot #7.** To see if the Town will vote to expend the income from the John M. Sargent Trust Fund for the purposes recommended by the Sargent Fund Committee?

Belknap County 4-H Fair Assn. \$3,500  
Belmont Baseball Organization \$2,000  
Belmont Cemetery Trustees \$250  
Belmont Boy Scouts Troop 65 \$600  
Belmont Conservation Commission \$250  
Belmont Girl Scouts Troop 12117 \$400  
Belmont Girl Scouts Troop 20431 \$150  
Belmont Community Girl Scouts \$250  
Belmont Heritage Commission \$250  
Belmont Historical Society \$300  
Belmont Middle School Fifth Grade Camp Cody \$3,432  
Belmont High School PTO \$500  
Belmont Public Library \$1,485  
First Baptist Church of Belmont Mission/Food Pantry \$2,424  
Saint Joseph Food Pantry \$2,424.60  
Save our Gale School \$200  
Winni Womenade \$2,000

683 YES   
97 NO

**Ballot #8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Six Dollars (\$60,776) for the sixth year's payment on the long term lease/purchase agreement entered into in 2016 for the purchase of a new pumper truck for the Fire Department, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said amount from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c (Created 1994/Amended 1999). The Town is obligated by the terms of the lease/purchase agreement, as well as the super majority ratifying that agreement in Article 4 at the 2016 Town Meeting, to make these yearly payments.

(The Budget Committee recommends \$60,776 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

642 YES   
134 NO

**Ballot #3.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

Correct a reference in Article 11.B.2 to permit nonconforming structures which are removed to be replaced as allowed earlier in Article 11. This change removes an incorrect reference to an inapplicable provision of Article 10.

557 YES   
168 NO

**Ballot #4.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by Petition for the Town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

Amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Belmont referenced in Zoning Article 3.B to change the zoning of Tax Lots 237-003-000-000, 237-004-000-000, 237-005-000-000 and 237-006-000-000 from "Rural" to "Residential Single-Family"?

(This article submitted by Petition. This article is recommended by the Planning Board. This article is recommended by the Selectmen.)

531 YES   
219 NO

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BALLOT QUESTIONS CONTINUED

Ballot #9. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken on Article 7 at the 1999 Annual Meeting to restrict all revenues from ambulance billings to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund to instead restrict all but the first \$124,500 of revenues from ambulance billings received during the 2022 budgetary year to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund.

- Training Expenses \$3,000
Medical & Supply Expenses \$30,000
Ambulance Billing Fees \$20,000
Overtime \$40,000
Telephone \$2,000
Conferences & Dues \$1,500
Office Expense \$12,000
Vehicle Repair & Parts \$8,000
Fuel \$8,000

Ballot #10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$74,561) for the cost of a Command Vehicle for the Fire Department and further to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of Seventy-Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$74,561) from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c. (Majority ballot vote required.)

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$74,561 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Ballot #11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the cost of a Rescue Boat for the Fire Department and further to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of Twenty Five Thousand dollars (\$25,000) from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c; the balance of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) is to come from the Locality Equipment Purchase Program Grant.

(The Board of Selectmen recommend \$75,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Ballot #12. To see if the Town will vote to amend, pursuant to RSA 72:81, the new construction property tax exemption for commercial and industrial uses (as defined in RSA 72:80) originally adopted in 2018 to incorporate legislative changes adopted in 2019.

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$75,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Ballot #13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the deliberative session, for the purposes set forth herein, totaling Eight Million Nine Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$8,965,616)?

Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

(The Budget Committee recommends \$8,815,616 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Ballot #14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be placed in the Dry Hydrant and Cistern Repairs and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2010).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$2,500 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Ballot #15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000) to be placed in the Highway Reconstruction and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$750,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

506 YES
274 NO

466 YES
302 NO

685 YES
144 NO

575 YES
201 NO

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## BALLOT QUESTIONS CONTINUED

**Ballot #16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Town Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2003).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$25,000 and the Budget Committee support this recommendation.)

576 YES   
191 NO

**Ballot #17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2002).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$60,000 and the Budget Committee support this recommendation.)

549 YES   
219 NO

**Ballot #18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety Thousand Five Hundred Nine Dollars (\$190,509) for the reconstruction of highways, said appropriation to be offset by Highway Block Grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire?

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$190,509 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

585 YES   
175 NO

**Ballot #19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) to be placed in the Heritage Fund previously established (2005).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$4,500 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

497 YES   
260 NO

**Ballot #20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust Fund previously established (2008), and further to fund said appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$75,000 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2021.

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$75,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

462 YES   
285 NO

**Ballot #21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$281,975) for the operation and maintenance of the Water Distribution and Treatment System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by users' fees. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Two Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars (\$272,364) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law.

(The Budget Committee recommends \$281,975 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

513 YES   
245 NO

**Ballot #22.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$548,460) for the operation and maintenance of the Sewage Collection and Disposal System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by users' fees. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Five Hundred Forty Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars (\$540,476) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law.

(The Budget Committee recommends \$548,460 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

511 YES   
245 NO

**Ballot #23.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2005).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$75,000 and the Budget Committee support this recommendation.)

376 YES   
366 NO

**Ballot #24.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be placed in the Water System Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006) said sum is to be offset by users' fees.

(The Board of Selectmen recommend \$100,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

507 YES   
254 NO

**Ballot #25.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Library Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2000).

(The Board of Selectmen recommend \$25,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

516 YES   
250 NO

**Ballot #26.** To see if the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) to be placed in the Municipal Facilities Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$300,000 and the Budget Committee support this recommendation.)

410 YES   
335 NO

**Ballot #27.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Information Technology Non-Capital reserve account previously established (2002).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$10,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

469 YES   
281 NO

**Ballot #28.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Durrell Mountain Road Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2021). This sum to come from the December 31, 2021 unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

(The Board of Selectmen recommend \$5,000 and the Budget Committee supports that recommendation.)

(Passed) 522 YES   
239 NO

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Ballot #29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the already established General Cemetery Maintenance Fund governed under the provisions of RSA 31:19-A for the purpose of cemetery maintenance, said amounts to be expended at the discretion of the Cemetery Trustees (1997).

(The Budget Committee recommends \$5,000 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

589 YES
181 NO

Ballot #33. To see if the Town of Belmont, New Hampshire, will vote to Terminate the Appointment of Mark Lewandoski as Chief of the Belmont Police Department. (This article submitted by petition.)

195 YES
582 NO

Ballot #37. Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen from 3 members to 5 members? (This article submitted by petition.)

409 YES
375 NO

Ballot #34. To see if the Town of Belmont, New Hampshire, will vote to move the date of Town Elections (SB2) from the second Tuesday in March to the second Tuesday in May, beginning in the year 2023. Such action shall extend until May the terms of all offices expiring in March of that year. (This article submitted by petition.)

162 YES
616 NO

Ballot #38. To see if the Town will go on record opposing the retail sale of dogs and cats in pet stores in the town. This resolution is necessary because the majority of dogs and cats sold in pet stores are sourced from large-scale, inhumane commercial breeding facilities commonly called "puppy mills". The record of this vote shall be transmitted by written notice from the selectmen to the town's state legislators and to the Governor of New Hampshire. (This article submitted by petition.)

453 YES
320 NO

Ballot #30. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote previously taken in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 I which places the unexpended Conservation Commission appropriation into the Conservation Fund each year, allowing it to accumulate from year to year; and instead allow the Conservation Commission's unexpended appropriation to lapse to the General Fund on December 31st each year. This article is recommended by the Conservation Commission in a vote taken January 5, 2022.

457 YES
292 NO

Ballot #35. To see if the Town of Belmont, New Hampshire, will vote that it be the practice in all elections in the Town of Belmont that such elections shall be made on paper ballots only and all such ballots are to be counted either by hand in full view of the public or with the assistance of ballot counting machines, whichever the Selectmen deem most appropriate. (This article submitted by petition.)

314 YES
466 NO

Ballot #31. To see if the Town of Belmont, New Hampshire, will vote to Discontinue the Municipal Facilities Capital Reserve Fund established in 2006, pursuant to New Hampshire RSA 35:16-a. (This article submitted by petition.)

215 YES
552 NO

Ballot #36. To see if the Town of Belmont, New Hampshire, will vote to prohibit at any time the use of public resources, official channels, or public personnel, to market or otherwise promote, in any way, explicitly or implicitly, any proposal that is placed before the voters of the Town of Belmont. Material provided to the voters by the Town of Belmont merely to inform them on any such proposal shall be neutral in nature. (This article submitted by petition.)

320 YES
458 NO

Ballot #32. To see if the Town of Belmont, New Hampshire, will vote to prohibit any local law, rule or policy imposing medical protections upon any individual within its jurisdiction, buildings, or schools, including, but not limited to, vaccination, face masks, physical distancing, or medical testing, except where in a hearing pursuant to RSA 141-C, the Superior Court has made an individual assessment and determined by clear and convincing evidence that such individual poses a serious threat to the public health. (This article submitted by petition.)

259 YES
522 NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT