

**ABSENTEE  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
BELMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 10, 2020**

BALLOT 1 OF 3

*Synthia M. Quigley*  
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.

<p align="center"><b>SELECTMAN</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not THREE YEARS more than ONE</p> <p>GEORGE CONDODEMETRAKY <u>244</u> <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>CLAUDE "SONNY" PATTEN <u>811</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>CEMETERY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not THREE YEARS more than ONE</p> <p>NORMA PATTEN <u>959</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PLANNING BOARD</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not THREE YEARS more than TWO</p> <p>PETER HARRIS <u>901</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>RICHARD C. PICKWICK <u>791</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p align="center"><b>BUDGET COMMITTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not THREE YEARS more than FOUR</p> <p>GARY GRANT <u>769</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NORMA PATTEN <u>826</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROLAND COFFIN <u>721</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>TINA FLEMING <u>791</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>TOWN MODERATOR</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not TWO YEARS more than ONE</p> <p>ALVIN NIX, JR. <u>976</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not SIX YEARS more than ONE</p> <p>DONNA E. SHEPHERD <u>962</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p align="center"><b>BUDGET COMMITTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not TWO YEARS more than ONE</p> <p>MARK EKBERG <u>928</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not THREE YEARS more than ONE</p> <p>THOMAS E. GARFIELD <u>932</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>ZONING BOARD</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not THREE YEARS more than TWO</p> <p>PETER HARRIS <u>881</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NORMA PATTEN <u>798</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p align="center"><b>BUDGET COMMITTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not ONE YEAR more than ONE</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not THREE YEARS more than ONE</p> <p>MARY-LOUISE CHARNLEY <u>958</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

## BALLOT QUESTIONS

**Ballot #2.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000) for the purpose of construction of a new Police Station on Town owned land at the corner of Fuller and Sargent Street including architectural and engineering costs, and all other costs reasonably associated with this project and to authorized the issuance of not more than (\$3,500,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. **(3/5 Ballot Vote Required)**

(The Budget Committee recommends \$3,500,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

488 YES   
428 NO

**Ballot #3.** To see if the Town will vote to delegate the duties and responsibilities of the Cemetery Trustees to the Board of Selectmen. If the majority votes in the affirmative, the discontinuance shall take effect 90 days after the vote.

468 YES   
580 NO

**Ballot #4.** 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 \$129,500 of revenues from ambulance billings received during the 2020 budgetary year to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund. The first \$129,500 of revenues from ambulance billings will be deposited in the Town's General Fund to defray the cost items identified below. This restriction shall only be effective for the 2020 budgetary year. **(A 2/3 Ballot Vote Required).**

Training Expenses	\$3,000
Medical & Supply Expenses	\$30,000
Ambulance Billing Fees	\$25,000
Overtime	\$40,000
Telephone	\$2,000
Conferences & Dues	\$1,500
Office Expense	\$12,000
Vehicle Repair & Parts	\$8,000
Fuel	\$8,000

730 YES   
322 NO

**Ballot #5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the cost of Security Improvements for the Fire Department and further to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of Thirty Thousand dollars (\$30,000) 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 \$30,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

784 YES   
297 NO

**Ballot #6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand One Hundred Seventeen Dollars (\$62,117) for the fifth 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 \$62,117 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

849 YES   
228 NO

**Ballot #7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) for the cost of Advanced EMS Equipment for the Fire Department and further to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) 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 \$7,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

900 YES   
189 NO

**Ballot #8.** 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 Association	\$3,000
Belmont Baseball Organization	\$2,000
Belmont Conservation Commission	\$250
Belmont Girl Scouts Troop 12117	\$400
Belmont Girl Scouts Community Account	\$300
Belmont Girl Scouts Troop 21532/20532	\$300
Belmont Heritage Commission	\$250
Lake Region Girls Softball	\$1,000
Belmont Boy Scouts Troop 65	\$800
Belmont Historical Society	\$300
Belmont Middle School Fifth Grade Cody	\$3,500
Belmont Middle School PTO	\$500
Belmont Parks & Recreation Scholarship	\$2,000
Belmont Public Library	\$1,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Central NH dba Lakes Region Child Care Services	\$2,000
First Baptist Church of Belmont Mission	\$3,500
Save Our Gale School	\$2,427.14
<b>Total Funds to be distributed</b>	<b>\$23,527.14</b>

893 YES   
187 NO

**Ballot #9.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue completely, Revolution Road and the easterly portion of Old Ladd Hill Road, so-called, with ownership to revert to the abutters, and thereby cease any and all public rights to Revolution Road and Old Ladd Hill Road from its end at Mile Hill Road to the westerly end of property owned by the Sara Kaye Mirski Revocable Living Trust (Map 205 Lot 040) and the S Mirski and P Spencer Revocable Trust (Map 205 Lot 037).

723 YES   
318 NO

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**BALLOT QUESTIONS CONTINUED**

**Ballot #10.** 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 Seven Million Nine Hundred Seventy-three Thousand Two Hundred Nine Dollars (\$7,973,209)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Seven Million Seven Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Five Dollars (\$7,778,705) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

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

(The Budget Committee recommends \$7,973,209 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

634 YES   
439 NO

**Ballot #11.** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Belmont and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, Council 93, Local 3657 (Public Safety Employees Union - Police Unit A) for the term April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2023, which calls for the following in increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Increase (Wages)	Increase/ (Decrease) Benefits
2020	\$38,756	\$7,821
Estimated		Est. Inc./ Dec. Benefits
Year	Increase (Wages)	Dec. Benefits
2021	\$27,324	\$8,141
2022	\$24,640	\$7,861

And further to raise and appropriate Forty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$46,577) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. (Majority vote required.)

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**Ballot #11 Continued**

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$46,577 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

690 YES   
387 NO

**Ballot #12.** Shall the Town, if Warrant Article #11 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Warrant Article #11 cost items only? (Majority vote required.)

626 YES   
428 NO

**Ballot #13.** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Belmont and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, Council 93, Local 3657 (Public Safety Employees Union - Fire Unit B) for the term April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2023, which calls for the following in increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Increase (Wages)	Increase/ (Decrease) Benefits
2020	\$30,712	\$5,458
Estimated		Est. Inc./ Dec. Benefits
Year	Increase (Wages)	Dec. Benefits
2021	\$21,725	\$6,852
2022	\$21,018	\$6,629

And further to raise and appropriate Thirty-Six Thousand One Hundred and Seventy Dollars (\$36,170) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. (Majority vote required.)

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$36,170 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

693 YES   
379 NO

**Ballot #14.** Shall the Town, if Warrant Article #13 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Warrant Article #13 cost items only? (Majority vote required.)

625 YES   
429 NO

**Ballot #15.** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Belmont and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, Council 93, Local 534 (Public Works Employees Union) for the term April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2023, which calls for the following in increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Increase (Wages)	Increase/ (Decrease) Benefits
2020	\$24,799	\$4,667
Estimated		Est. Inc./ Dec. Benefits
Year	Increase (Wages)	Dec. Benefits
2021	\$21,772	\$4,097
2022	\$18,446	\$3,472

And further to raise and appropriate Twenty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$29,466) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. (Majority vote required.)

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$29,466 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

653 YES   
417 NO

**Ballot #16.** Shall the Town, if Warrant Article #15 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Warrant Article #15 cost items only? (Majority vote required.)

601 YES   
448 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.)

761 YES   
323 NO

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## BALLOT QUESTIONS CONTINUED

**Ballot #18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust Fund previously established (2007), and further to fund said appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$30,000 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2019.

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$30,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

627 YES   
397 NO

**Ballot #19.** 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 expendable at the discretion of the Cemetery Trustees (1997).

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

807 YES   
225 NO

**Ballot #20.** 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.)

820 YES   
208 NO

**Ballot #21.** 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.)

701 YES   
331 NO

**Ballot #22.** 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 supports this recommendation.)

762 YES   
266 NO

**Ballot #23.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$246,975) 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 Forty-One Thousand Four Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$241,414) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law.

(The Budget Committee recommends \$246,975 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

625 YES   
404 NO

**Ballot #24.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Fifteen Thousand Six Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$515,614) for the operation and maintenance of the Sewage Collection and Disposal System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by user's fees. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Five Hundred Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$509,898) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law.

(The Budget Committee recommends \$515,614 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

643 YES   
379 NO

**Ballot #25.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) to be placed in the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2005).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends \$35,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

497 YES   
519 NO

**Ballot #26.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two-Hundred and One Thousand Seventy-Four Dollars (\$201,074) 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 \$201,074 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

767 YES   
262 NO

**Ballot #27.** 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.)

603 YES   
413 NO

**Ballot #28.** To see if the Town will vote to establish an Election Equipment Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of purchasing equipment used in Town, State and Federal elections, and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be put in the fund, with this amount to come from taxation; further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority vote required.)

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

606 YES   
417 NO

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TOWN CLERK

**BALLOT QUESTIONS CONTINUED**

**Ballot #29.** 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 user's fees.

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

696 YES

375 NO

**Ballot #30.** 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 recommends \$25,000 and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

712 YES

363 NO

**Ballot #31.** To see if the Town will vote to allow the operation of sports book retail locations within the Town of Belmont.)

669 YES

401 NO

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT**