

PRECINCT 3

CANDIDATES FOR TOWN MEETING MEMBER

For 3 Yrs.

Vote for not more than Twelve

* LIZ ALLISON

69 Pinehurst Road

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The Town's two most pressing problems are: 1) Growth that is overwhelming schools, roads and town services and 2) numerous important capital projects that could overburden taxpayers. As demonstrated on the Planning Board and Warrant Committee, I will support zoning for managing growth and public-private partnerships and other creative approaches to capital projects. My goal is to keep Belmont an affordable community with excellent schools, services, and two MBTA stations.

* SUZANNE R. BASS

530 Concord Avenue

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Belmont owes its taxpayers efficient services to produce a high quality of life, including fine schools, well-managed roads with safe bicycle and pedestrian accommodations to reduce motor traffic, and thoughtful planning to provide housing and commercial space while preserving open space. We must also manage drainage, storm water, and sewage better to protect our rivers and reduce our energy use to protect the planet.

* LOT WEBSTER BATES

112 Waverley Street

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I'm a 40-year resident of Belmont. As a past student and father of 2 children, one at the High School and one at Chenery, I understand the importance of supporting our schools, teachers and administrators. I would encourage responsible commercial and residential development that is considerate of the neighborhood. I have enjoyed serving as your Town Meeting member and hope you will support my continued work on your behalf.

* DAVID R. CHASE

14 Waverley Terrace

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As a town meeting member, my priorities are: maintaining school quality; maintaining the town's long-term town financial health; controlling traffic; maintenance and improvement of transit, pedestrian, and bicycle access to, from and through Belmont – including work on the roads and sidewalks. I favor more cooperation between town departments and with other towns to save money and improve services. I'm not opposed to greater density, except for its burden on schools.

* ANN M. JANSEN

59 Lorimer Road

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Quality Belmont Public Schools: The Belmont High School building project provides an opportunity to address district-wide space issues from growing enrollment as well as outdated BHS facilities. Budget priorities need to ensure class size across the district is reduced to at or below recommended levels. Other Major Projects: Planning and financing of Police Station, DPW Facility, Library, and Incinerator Site. Environmental Responsibility: Support solar, Belmont Drives Electric and conservation programs.

* RALPH T. JONES

56 Summit Road

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I support our excellent schools and investment to repair our infrastructure. I also support the Selectmen's warrant article to prevent the sale of liquor licenses. Thank you for your continued support of my service as your Town Meeting representative.

* CHRISTINE MARIE McVAY

109 Brookside Avenue

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Schools: Overcrowding is a major issue in all Belmont schools. We need to minimize the number of 3+ bedroom apartments/condos in town so schools can maintain smaller class sizes and maintaining excellence. Taxes/Economic Development: Focus on finding creative ways to keep taxes lower for seniors so they can stay in their homes in Belmont if they choose. More economic development in commercial centers is key to keeping taxes down.

* MARTHA C. MOORE

331 Waverley Street

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Now more than ever, TM representatives must seek, listen to, and evaluate differing citizen viewpoints on current issues, respecting the concerns of our neighbors. I will continue to advocate for quality, cost effective schools, infrastructure, community amenities, and smart planning that protects Belmont's historic character and natural assets. I ask for your vote. Please do contact me, marmoor@aol.com.

RICHARD P. HARTLEY

11 Edward Street

Resident since 2000, I believe that we should prioritize investing in and maintaining the things in town that we do have (schools, roads, sidewalks), and plan for future capacity over always demolishing and building new (library, etc.). In being frustrated by recent local issues (town center green, alcohol license transferability) and considering the national political environment, I want to get involved with change locally. I appreciate your vote.

DANIEL J. HEALEY

670 Concord Avenue

Precinct Three has neighborhood streets with large amounts of high-speed commuter and commercial traffic. This traffic creates safety and noise problems and degrades the neighborhoods. The town of Belmont has done a significant amount of work in improving the streets. However, the problem remains with commuters and large commercial vehicles. We need a working group of neighbors and town personnel to identify and address these issues.

JAMES PATRICK HERRON

28 Hawthorne Street

As the father of two (and soon to be three) children enrolled in the Belmont Public Schools, I will support the continued excellence of our schools in a time of rising enrollments. I will also support efforts to improve Belmont's public services and spaces, including the creation of the proposed community path. And I will encourage fairness and transparency in town governance.

SARAH G. LEMIEUX

57 Common Street

Concerning are the number of suggested capital projects and the continually increasing public school enrollments. Development should be appropriately paced to meet needs while minimizing the financial burden on residents. The school system should be supported so today's children get the same stellar education for which Belmont has long been known. Creative revenue streams should continue to be sought to augment residential tax revenue.

TIMOTHY A. LUEHRMAN

16 Pinehurst Road

I recently joined Belmont's Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Funding Advisory Group. This committee is studying the town's substantial liability arising from retiree health care costs and will report its findings and recommendations to the Selectmen. I would like to stay engaged with this issue and other important fiscal challenges facing Belmont over the next several years. I am running for election to Town Meeting to help, as I am able.

JJ ROHRER

30 Hawthorne Street

The Air Force moved me around the country, but as a civilian I've chosen Belmont for its schools and community. I will fight to continually improve our schools and common areas. I will also support efforts to grow our town's tax base, especially by encouraging economic development. As a town, we have an amazing potential for growth - our responsibility, and opportunity, is to grow smartly and transparently.

MARY DONAHUE STEARNS

15 Winthrop Road

Belmont faces important decisions about its schools, library and public services. As a longtime resident and current Library Trustee, I intend to work to develop ways to ensure that Belmont continues to maintain its excellent school system and improves its library building, town facilities and infrastructure. I look forward to using my management experience to ensure Belmont develops plans to support its key resources while continuing its tradition of excellence.

IAN P. WATSON

81 Clark Street

My goal is to bring more transparency to our local governmental process. Concerns include maintaining the caliber of our schools, zoning that results in high-density areas (with knock-on effect to infrastructure and class size), as well as examining why our electricity and water bills are so high vs. surrounding towns. I am the father of 4, all of whom are in the Belmont school system.

For 1 Yr.

Vote for One

CAROLE WILLIAMS

3 Stables Way

As a former Town Meeting member representing Precinct 8 for several years, I look forward to now serving the constituents of Precinct 3 in the upcoming year, and speaking fairly on behalf of all its members with regard to important issues facing both our precinct and community.