

PRECINCT 1
CANDIDATES FOR TOWN MEETING MEMBER

For 3 Yrs.

Vote for not more than Twelve

* JOHN P. ALCOCK

42 Madison Street

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The high school is due for renewal and the Police Headquarters also needs renewal after 85 years of service. A site location should be selected for the Police Headquarters and the 2008 Feasibility Study should be updated and economized to what Belmont can afford. Waiting to finish paying for the High School before building a new Police Headquarters is not feasible. We can support the police and our schools.

* DANIEL PATRICK BARRY

129 Goden Street

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Over the last decade, school enrollment has climbed 18% (26% at the elementary level) and now many class sizes (71% in Grades K-4) are at or above the targeted maximum. The 2015 override helped. However, enrollment is projected to increase significantly in the next few years (Cushing Village/Belmont Uplands). We should promote prudent commercial development to generate additional tax revenue and more funding for our schools and other vital services.

* CAROLYN J. BISHOP

7 Orchard Street

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Issues of great concern in uncertain times: major projects competing for funds from revenue sources that impact traffic, schools, open space and quality of life. Important to protect neighborhoods from projects that enrich an individual but negatively impact the Town. Belmont's desirable location means higher property values, increased revenue but endless cut-through traffic twice a day and bulging schools. Planning for and funding the future will be our challenge!

* JAMES L. CRAWFORD

22 Locust Street

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I am a strong advocate for the Community Path, and favor the route choice along the railroad tracks the entire distance. We have been discussing this for 20 years. Federal, state, and private grants can pay for most of it. It is time to get it done. I also strongly support a new library, renovation of the high school, and more repaving of potholed streets.

* JOHN KOLTERMAN

107 Orchard Street

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As a 25-year resident of Belmont who has raised a family here, I am increasingly concerned about striking the right balance between addressing our town infrastructure needs and services and the costs of doing so. Belmont runs the risk of "pricing out" young families and retirees on a fixed income and becoming a community that only the wealthy can afford to reside in.

* KATHERINE A. LIND

68 Fairmont Street

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I am a long time Town Meeting member who has always supported issues regarding quality of

life. Today we are faced with overcrowded schools and an outdated High School and Library. I support plans to renovate and expand both. I also support a safe Community Path, accessible to all, and continued rebuilding and maintenance of our sidewalks and roads. These projects will help keep Belmont the town we hold dear.

* JEFFREY B. MILLER

286 School Street

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My priorities are schools, open space/recreation, and well-planned rebuilding. Our three children are Burbank, Chenery, and BHS graduates, so I know how important it is to strongly support outstanding public schools for the next generation. I will also remain an advocate for increased open space and renovated recreation facilities and for town-wide coordination of rebuilding projects. Let's create a town where all can thrive. Comments? Please email me: jbmiller.belmont@icloud.com

* BARBARA E. MIRANDA

22 Myrtle Street

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I think that town leaders and the various boards and committees are thinking and planning for the future as well as for day-to-day running of the town. Town Meeting also needs to emphasize long-range planning. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to represent Precinct 1 as a town meeting member.

* HOLLY HART MUSON

40 Temple Street

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My priorities for Belmont: providing a high-quality public education to all students; moving forward responsibly with critical capital projects—high school, police station, DPW yard and library; ensuring sound stewardship of town resources; increasing citizen access to and engagement with town government; and improving local quality of life and safety through improvements such as the community path and railroad track crossing. Contact me: hmuson@gmail.com or 617-489-1881.

* FREDERICK S. PAULSEN

90 School Street

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Public Education: Support High School rebuilding. Reorganize K to 12 to accommodate increases in student population. Regain lost classes in humanities. Safe, Walk-able Town: Finish Community Path feasibility study, achieve access to schools, business centers, commuter rail, and public transit. Accept state statute allowing Selectmen to adopt 25 mph limits. Take advantage of state funds to implement town-wide plan to improve neighborhood safety: sidewalks, crosswalks, tabletops, signage and lighting.

* YVETTE J. TENNEY

70 Bow Road

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Schools: The excellence of our schools is drawing 100 new students a year to Belmont. The high school renovation, with space for additional grades, would provide the opportunity to accommodate the growth in school age population. Quality of Life: It's time to move ahead with a Community Path that connects schools and business centers, a tunnel under the railroad tracks, traffic calming, preserving green space, and reducing our carbon footprint.

BRENDAN ARTHUR BASTILLE

22 Merrill Avenue

No reply received.

KATHERINE KERSHEN BICER

117 School Street

Belmont's schools are my top priority. I support thoughtful decision-making about both immediate and long-term needs around surging enrollment, aging facilities, and technology integration. We need to preserve the arts and extracurriculars, and should carefully consider private partnership options to fill budget gaps. I also support business-friendly policies to make Belmont a destination for customers and employers, to increase commercial tax revenue and community vibrancy.

REED F. BUNDY

259 School Street

Let's aspire to make Belmont more than just a "Town of Homes." We need to focus on our schools amid skyrocketing enrollment, create safer neighborhood roads and sidewalks in response to increasing cut-through traffic, and generate new town revenues by helping local businesses flourish. By focusing on these three areas, we can ensure that Belmont's families and neighborhoods will continue to thrive. Thanks for your support! reed.bundy@gmail.com

CORINNE McCUE OLMSTEAD

28 Stone Road

Maintaining the high quality of Belmont's schools and successfully addressing infrastructure, public safety and business needs are important to Belmont's future. As an economist I have over 20 years of experience in objective analysis - including valuation, modeling and due diligence in areas including property tax, renewable energy and economic development. Belmont residents deserve information, transparency and a voice. I will support solutions that are effective, sustainable and fiscally responsible.

DAVID N. STIEVATER

34 Long Avenue

Our library is a vital part of our community. We have high and growing use, especially when compared to the rest of Massachusetts. However, the building is outdated, inefficient and breaking down. We need a modern library, better suited to the needs of the next 50 years. Given other big projects in town, I believe that raising private money is the key to gaining agreement on a new library building.

EMMA L. THURSTON

101 Baker Street

Belmont's rapidly growing school enrollment and our other fiscal responsibilities require us to be proactive rather than reactive. We must be more business friendly, and we must maintain our stellar schools. I'm co-owner of a small Belmont business, with three kids in our schools. As the Director of Strategy for a regional retail chain, I have the skill set necessary to represent and advocate for the needs of our community.