

PRECINCT 8

CANDIDATES FOR TOWN MEETING MEMBER

For 3 Yrs.

Vote for not more than Twelve

* CAROLYN A. BUNYON

50 Albert Avenue

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As a native Belmontian, a life-long resident, and a town meeting member, I have developed several concerns. We need to maintain quality town and school services. We need to consider the financial burden to the taxpayer especially senior citizens. We must focus on the utilization of the town's finances in order to keep the high standards Belmont is known for.

* ALEXANDER E. CORBETT, III

114 Alexander Avenue

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I'll take this opportunity to advocate for a new, year-round skating rink to replace the aging and failing rink. Similar to the new Underwood Pool, which I fully supported, the skating rink serves an equally important function to an equally important group of residents and their children. Now is the time to act and it's also the time to consider privatization, of course allowing the town's scheduling needs to come first.

* ANNE COVINO GOLDENBERG

36 Stearns Road

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Belmont's needs for a new high school, library and police station require thoughtful planning in order to maintain quality education and public safety. Also, the escalating cost of housing has increased the need for affordable housing for seniors and low-income residents. One option could be improving and increasing existing senior and public housing. To meet these needs without changing Belmont's character requires adequate, skilled Planning Staff.

* MELISSA ANN IRION

132 Dean Street

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As a parent of three children, maintaining the high quality of education in our town is a top priority. I support the Belmont High School rebuild project. I also support the Belmont Community Path, advocating for an underpass at Alexander Avenue. We achieve the best results for the town when we engage in active participation, respectful listening, critical thinking, and collaborative problem solving.

* STEPHEN MICHAEL KERINS

27 Sandrick Road

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The revitalization of Cushing Square must stay true to our Belmont values and traditions. I support this expanding revenue stream as a growing need for a wider commercial tax base. I will also continue to be a strong voice for excellence within the Belmont school systems--expanding cutting-edge technology, support and training. I support zoning enforcement, sound planning, traffic-calming and public safety. I support tax relief for over-burdened seniors.

* ROBERT C. KOCHEM

21 Jason Road

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Belmont has significant infrastructure projects that must be moved from “we need it” to “committed and budgeted”. We must work from a plan that has priorities, schedules, and costs. As traffic and other multi-town issues continue to grow, we must coordinate with those towns and the state.

* STEPHEN B. ROSALES

48 Farnham Street

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To increase revenue for needed services and thrive, Belmont must actively expand its commercial tax base. Town must proactively encourage and endorse commercial development and streamline its permitting process to fill empty storefronts in our commercial districts. Promote wider variety of distinctive retail and service businesses to locate here. Balance “walkability” with plentiful convenient parking to make commercial areas thrive. Fix our crumbling roads, the one town asset everyone uses.

* ELLEN F. SCHREIBER

49 Sandrick Road

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We face many challenges, including school enrollment, the BHS building project, and crumbling infrastructure. I have two answers: expand town communications and manage our override money wisely. Direct communication doesn’t just inform; it gives us a voice, makes us partners, and results in better projects. On the Warrant Committee, we carefully monitor the use of override funds to ensure we can deliver future funding needed for school and town services.

* SCOTT D. STRATFORD

97 Alexander Avenue

(19 of 22)

Our four major capital projects (renovated High School, new Library, new Police Station, Town Yards) must be sequenced as affordably as possible—while adequately funding schools (with their burgeoning enrollments) and town services. I support appropriate commercial development (such as on South Pleasant Street) but also voted to preserve Belmont neighborhoods by limiting teardowns and “McMansions”. Town leadership must communicate its plans—and its challenges—more effectively to Belmont’s residents.

* KATHERINE ZEVITAS

302 Cross Street

(19 of 22)

I am running for my third term as a town meeting member. I have lived in Belmont for 47 years and I am aware of all the issues that face the town. These issues include infrastructure, schools, library and many others that will face the town in the future. If these issues are not resolved properly, it will cost the taxpayers substantial money.

MARTY BITNER

207 Claflin Street

As the father of two young boys – Bruno (8) and Nico (2), I am personally invested in responsibly managing Belmont’s resources to achieve the long-term sustainability of our excellent schools and quality of life. Active in Belmont, I currently serve as Town Meeting member, Energy Committee member, and co-chair of Belmont Drives Electric. I will promote

increased energy efficiency as a means of conserving Belmont's financial resources and our environment.

NATALIE MacLEAN LEINO
27 Sherman Street

I am passionate about bringing the Belmont community together and helping to get residents involved with town government. As chair of the Vision 21 Implementation Committee, I helped organize Meet Belmont and Talk of the Town and recently started a BMC podcast interviewing members of various Town committees and departments to keep residents informed. Other priorities include maintaining our excellent school system, welcoming businesses, and building an off-road community path.

MELISSA MacINTYRE
94 Winn Street

Hello! I currently serve on Town Meeting, having been caucused in last year by Town Meeting members. I'm a Winn Brook kindergartner's mom and clinical social worker. I endorse efforts to enhance our community's education, safety, and energy efficiency. Specifically, I support: schools that will accommodate the needs of our projected student enrollment, a Community Path with safe high school access, and sustainable energy options (solar, LEDs, electric vehicles).

ELIZABETH FRANCIS NELSON
17 Eliot Road

I am not afraid of change—thoughtful change can be an incredible force of progress. When it comes to development, both residential and commercial, I will endorse thoughtful change that seeks to improve the lives of Belmont's citizens without sacrificing the spirit and character of this town that we love.

For One Yr.

Vote for One

DAVID T. NUSCHER
50 Winn Street

Belmont has been a terrific place to raise our 16-year-old son. I seek to serve Precinct 8 because I believe strongly in giving back to our community. I support education funding, action on climate change, and expanding our tax base. I'm interested in helping to make Belmont an even better place for families by working with my neighbors to find common-sense solutions to our shared challenges. Thanks for your consideration.