

# Taking the oath

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**Belmont Town Clerk Cynthia DeRoy, right, issues the oath of office to newly elected officials earlier this month. Those sworn in included, from left, newly elected library trustees Mary-Louise Charnley and Gail Thomas; Planning Board member Kevin Sturgeon; Craig Clairmont and Norma Patten, two of four candidates elected to Budget Committee; and Claude "Sonny" Patten, who won a single selectman's seat. (David Carkhuff/Laconia Daily Sun)**



**Belmont School District Moderator Roy Roberts swears in newly elected School Board members Eric Johnson and Jennifer Sottak Tuesday before the Shaker Regional School Board meeting. Robert Reed was chosen as chairman of the School Board and Patty Brace as the vice chairman. (David Carkhuff/Laconia Daily Sun)**