TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BELMONT IN THE COUNTY OF BELKNAP, IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

FIRST SESSION

You are hereby notified to meet for the First (Deliberative) Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to be held at the Belmont High School, 255 Seavey Road, Belmont, New Hampshire on the 3rd day of February 2018, being a Saturday at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. The First (Deliberative) Session will consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each of the following warrant articles, and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article, except those articles whose wording is prescribed by State law.

The First (Deliberative) Session of the Annual Town Meeting held at Belmont High School, Belmont, New Hampshire on the 3rd day of February 2018, being Saturday was called to order at ten o’clock in the morning. Moderator Alvin Nix introduced himself to the attendees.

Moderator asked attendees to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Nix introduced the officials at the head table as follows: Ruth Mooney, Chairman Board of Selectmen; Jonathan Pike, Vice-Chairman Board of Selectmen; Claude “Sonny” Patten, Board of Selectmen; Ronald Mitchell, Budget Committee Chairman; Jeanne Beaudin, Town Administrator; Cynthia DeRoy, Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Jennifer Cashman, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Moderator Nix also introduced Alicia Jipson, Assistant Town Administrator and Michelle Stanyan, Town Clerk/Tax Collector office clerk.

Moderator Nix asked attendees to keep the meeting orderly, amicable and asked that there be no debates on the floor, that all questions or comments be directed to the Moderator and advised that today’s meeting is being video recorded.

During this meeting the Moderator may ask a non-resident or Town Official to speak to clarify warrant articles. Non-residents were asked to identify themselves by a show of hands and advised that they were not allowed to amend any articles.

Moderator Nix advised that we do not follow the Roberts Rules but we are going to follow common sense rules for today’s meeting. Moderator Nix declared that amendment requests must be submitted in writing and be legible and signed by the resident. Some articles cannot be amended and voters will be advised if we cannot. No articles will be removed from the warrant.
Residents discussing articles must come up to the microphone and announce their name and street address.

Selectman Chairman Ruth Mooney welcomed the audience and spoke about the Town’s portion of the budget and that it was down one and a half percent. She mentioned the influx of commercial businesses helping keep individual tax burden down. She also recognized and thanked the town employees.

**Article #1.** To choose necessary officers, including Selectman three-year term (1), Budget Committee three-year term (4), Budget Committee two-year term (2), Trustee of Trust Funds three-year term (1), Library Trustee three-year term (1), Cemetery Trustee three-year term (1), Planning Board three-year term (2), Zoning Board of Adjustment three-year term (2) and Town Moderator two-year term (1).

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

**Boat Storage-Amend Art. 5, Table 1 and Art. 15 of the existing Ordinance to regulate indoor and outdoor boat storage separately in the permitted use table and create separate definitions.**

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #3.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

**Warehousing/Self-Storage-Amend Art 5, Table 1 and Art. 15 of the existing Ordinance to regulate indoor and outdoor warehousing/self-storage separately in the permitted use table and create separate definitions.**

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.
**Article #4.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

**Accessory Dwelling Unit-Amend Art. 8.F of the existing Ordinance to prohibit Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) as additions to manufactured homes, recreational vehicles, and where one or more single-family units are already attached such as condominium developments and duplexes. Prohibit the condominium sale of an ADU separate from the principal unit.**

George Condodemetraky, 194 Gilmanton Rd, spoke against prohibit additions to manufactured homes as stated in the amendment. Moderator Nix stated that by law we cannot amend zoning articles. Peter Harris, Chairman of the Zoning Board was asked to explain the article. Denise Naiva, 27 Swallow Rd asked for a definition of manufactured home. P. Harris and Selectman Mooney provided their definition of manufactured home. Mark Roberts, 87 Hackett Rd added to discussion. Selectman Pike noted that he agreed with George. Discussion did continue relative to this article; Town Planner Daigle was asked to speak.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #5.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

**Subordinate Dwelling Unit-Amend Art. 5, Table 1, delete Art. 13.F.1, and add a definition to Art. 15 of the existing Ordinance to allow one subordinate dwelling unit on a lot with a primary business use in the Commercial & Industrial Zones and require a Conditional Use Permit for occupancy by other than the business owner (e.g. business manager or security person).**

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #6.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

**Snow Dump-Amend Art. 7.C.14 of the existing Ordinance to clarify that a “snow dump” regulates snow brought to a lot from off-site.**

G. Condodemetraky, spoke of his experience with snow being dumped on his property by abutters.
Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

Article #7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

Signs-Amend Art. 4.I.4 of the existing Ordinance to allow internally illuminated signs.

D. Naiva, Swallow Rd, asked for definition of internally illuminated signs. P. Harris responded. Candace Daigle, Town Planner gave definition.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

Article #8. Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:81 to allow a new construction property tax exemption for commercial and industrial uses as defined in Article 5 Table 1 of the Town of Belmont Zoning Ordinance last amended March 16, 2017. The exemption shall apply only to municipal and local school property taxes assessed by the municipality and shall exclude state education property taxes and county taxes. The exemption shall be as follows: 50% of the increase in assessed value attributable to construction of new structures, and additions, renovations, or improvements to existing structures and shall run for a maximum period of 6 years following the new construction. If adopted by the Town, the percentage rate and duration of the exemption shall be granted uniformly within the Town to all projects for which a proper application is filed. This vote adopting RSA 72:81 shall remain in effect for a maximum of 5 tax years; provided, however, that for any application which has already been granted prior to expiration of such 5-year tax period, the exemption shall continue to apply at the rate and for the duration in effect at the time it was granted.

Carmen Lorentz, 60 Cotton Hill Rd spoke against this Article. TA J. Beaudin clarified article. Pret Tuthill 84 Cotton Hill Rd asked how school taxes are exempted. TA J. Beaudin responded that the language is stated in the RSA. Ken Knowlton, 128 Lamprey Rd asked if a study has been done in other towns. TA J. Beaudin responded that the exemption is new in 2017 as adopted by the legislature. G. Condodemetraky, Gilmanton Rd stated he is opposed to this article. Sheila Cunningham, 51 Sun Lake Dr asked for background on why this article is presented and stated her concern that this would shift the tax burden to individuals. Selectman Mooney responded.
C. Lorentz offered further explanation. S. Cunningham commented further about burden on emergency services.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #9.** Shall the Town vote to discontinue completely, a portion of Pond Road, so-called, in Belmont with the title in the land to revert to the Sunray Shores Water District. The portion to be discontinued is described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly sideline of Pond Road, so-called, and the land now or formerly of Butler Family Realty Trust, 17’± southeasterly from the angle point of said Pond Road; thence turning and running southeasterly along said Pond Road 71’±, crossing over the Sunset Canal, so-called, and along land now or formerly of Shawna Collarullo to a point 127.5’± from the intersection of said Pond Road and Linda Drive, so-called; thence turning at right angle northeasterly 33’ to a point on the sideline of Common Land of the Sunray Shores Water District; thence turning and running northwesterly and parallel with the first course 71’± along the Common Land, crossing over said Sunset Canal, and along land now or formerly of Gerald and Beatrix Clark to a point 11’± southeasterly of an angle point in said Pond Road; thence turning at a right angle running southwesterly 33’ to the point of beginning. Said portion of Pond Road containing a footbridge to be completely discontinued with ownership reverting to the Sunray Shores Water District.

Ron Mitchell, Union Rd asked who would be responsible for the bridge and if it would be removed. Richard Ball, Land Use Technician responded that the article came about because the Sunray Shores Association had asked for permission to improve the bridge and it was determined at the time they would need the Town’s permission. The purpose of this article is to discontinue this small portion of the road with ownership of the bridge reverting to the Sunray Shores Water District.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #10.** Shall the Town vote to discontinue completely, a portion of Hackett Road, so-called, in Belmont with the title in the land to revert to the abutting property. The portion to be discontinued is described as follows: Beginning at a point on a stonewall at the southeasterly corner of land of Clive and Alison Roberts on the sideline of Hackett Road, so-called; Thence running along the stonewall and said Hackett Road, in a southwesterly direction 237’± to a rebar
set in the ground at the end of the wall at the sideline of Gilmanton Road (also known as NH Route 140), so-called; Thence turning and running along said Gilmanton Road in a southeasterly direction 233’± to a point; Thence turning and running along a curve to the left having a radius of 25’ a distance of 39’± to a point; Thence turning and running in a northeasterly direction 48’± to the point of beginning. Meaning and intending to describe a roughly triangular parcel 7,180± ft² in area, a portion of Hackett Road to be discontinued and attached to the land of Clive and Alison Roberts and to become a part of Tax Lot 240/003.

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

Article #11. Shall the Town vote to rescind the following bond authorizations approved but not issued, a 3/5 majority vote is required.

- March 15, 2008 Pleasant Valley Roadway, Water and Drainage $40,982
- March 13, 2012 Sewer Pump Station (5) Replacement $179,196
- March 13, 2012 Belmont Village Water Line Replacement $76,679
- March 12, 2013 Belmont Village Phase II Water Line Replacement $14,939

(The Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend this article.)

G. Condodemetraky stated he had a problem with this article. TA J. Beaudin responded that bids came in less than anticipated and this was unexpended debt authority that needed to be cleared from the Town’s balance sheet.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

Article #12. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars ($65,000) for the purpose of a Space Needs and Feasibility Study; funding for this article is to come from the Municipal Facilities Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2006. No amount of money will be raised by taxation under this article.
The Budget Committee recommends $65,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.

Ken Knowlton, Lamprey Rd. commended volunteers involved. Asked if budget subcommittee could handle this research instead of putting out money. Selectman Pike stated that the selectmen support the committee, however, he thinks the money asked for is excessive. C. Lorentz, Cotton Hill Rd, member of the committee, spoke for the amount of money proposed. Selectman Pike discussed previous studies and asked why it would have to be redone. C. Lorentz responded explaining that a newer and different study needs to be done. G. Condodemetraky, Gilmanton Rd congratulated committee. Pret Tuthill, Cotton Hill Rd responded concerning bidding. Mike Sylvia, Farrarville Rd, commented on other endeavors of this type and showed concern with the monetary amount as well. Donna Hepp, 181 Leavitt Rd, committee member, spoke on committee stance on the amount of money proposed. C. Lorentz commented further about committee’s standpoint. Denise Naiva, Swallow Rd spoke about conditions of buildings used for town facilities in approval of article. Selectman Mooney spoke with suggestions on alternatives. Beth Anderson, 30 Mountain View Terrace spoke that this article represents a starting point and commended the committee.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #13.** Shall the Town 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 $171,400 of revenues from ambulance billings received during the 2018 budgetary year to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund. The first $171,400 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 2018 budgetary year (Majority Ballot Vote Required).

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Vehicle Repair & Parts     $8,000
Fuel        $7,400
Kitchen Renovations – Fire Station     $50,000

Clive Roberts, 98 Berry Rd, spoke on amounts listed. Selectman Pike responded with explanation of amounts listed.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #14.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($950,000) for the cost of a Quint Fire Truck for the Fire Department and further to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand dollars ($250,000) from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c; the balance of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($700,000) is to come from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program. In the event the Town does not receive the grant; this appropriation will not be funded. (Majority ballot vote required.)

(The Budget Committee recommends $950,000 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

Jake Grafton, Seavey Rd, asked for a committee for long term plans for equipment. Selectman Mooney explained this vehicle will replace ladder truck that is old and in ill repair replacing two vehicles for the one vehicle. Mike Newhall, Deputy Fire Chief gave information on the new proposed vehicle.
Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #15.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Two Thousand One Hundred and Seventeen Dollars ($62,117) for the third 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.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot. **Article #16.** Shall the Town vote to expend the income from the John M. Sargent Trust Fund for the purposes recommended by the Sargent Fund Committee?

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Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #17.** Shall we allow the operation of keno games within the Town of Belmont?

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #18.** Shall the Town 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 Five Hundred Ninety-Three Nine Hundred Nineteen Dollars ($7,593,919)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Seven Million Seven Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars ($7,776,548) 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 $7,593,919 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #19.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand dollars ($25,000) to be placed in the BRATT Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006) (Amended 2014).

(The Budget Committee recommends $25,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Donna Hepp, 181 Leavitt Rd, spoke in favor of this article. Ron Mitchell spoke as well about plans for the BRATT trail.
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Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #20.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2002).

(The Budget Committee recommends $25,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #21.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars ($75,000) to be placed in the Municipal Facilities Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006).

(The Budget Committee recommends $75,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #22.** Shall the Town 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, 2017.

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

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #23.** Shall the Town 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 Budget Committee recommends $750,000 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #24.** Shall the Town 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 Budget Committee recommends $25,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #25.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000) to be placed in the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2005).

(The Budget Committee recommends $40,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Sheila Cunningham, 51 Sun Lake Dr spoke and asked for description to be added to warrant articles. TA J. Beaudin responded that the wording is very restricted on warrant articles but that the voting guide will have descriptions.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #26.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars ($195,849) for the reconstruction of highways, said appropriation to be offset by Highway Block Grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire?
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(The Budget Committee recommends $195,849 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #27.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000) 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 Budget Committee recommends $10,000 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #28.** Shall the Town 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 Budget Committee recommends $2,500 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

**Article #29.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Fifty-Five Dollars ($230,055) 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 Twenty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars ($228,175) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law.

(The Budget Committee recommends $230,055 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)
Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

Article #30. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Fifteen Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Two Dollars ($515,942) 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 Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Seven ($518,397) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law.

(The Budget Committee recommends $515,942 and the Board of Selectmen supports this recommendation.)

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

Article #31. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be placed in the Heritage Fund previously established (2005).

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

Lisa Cribley-Lord, 52 Concord St asked what the Heritage Fund is. TA J. Beaudin responded with explanation. Ron Mitchell commented on heritage of Belmont and that the Town will be 150 years old next year and asked for decorating volunteers. Vicki Donovan, Johnson Street, Heritage Committee member, commented on the importance of the committee and asked for support on this article. Moderator Nix commended Mrs. Donovan on her 30 years of service in the elementary school.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.
Article #32. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be placed in the Village Rail Spur Trail Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2016).

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

Ron Mitchell commended people involved in the acquisition and reconstruction of bridges on the trail. Woody Fogg, Jamestown Rd, also commended people involved in the project.

Upon no further discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.

Article #33. Shall the Town 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 Budget Committee recommends $25,000 and the Board of Selectmen do not support this recommendation.)

It was noted by the Moderator that the article as written stated the Selectmen did not support the requested appropriation; Selectman Pike clarified that this was a typographical error and that the Board of Selectmen did indeed support the request.

Selectman Mooney mentioned the 90th anniversary of the library and the reception being held today.

Upon no discussion, Article automatically moved to ballot.
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