

Our Community Newsletter



Town of Belmont

Town Administrator's Monthly Report



Town Administrator's
Monthly Report

We would like to remind everyone that voting will be held at the Belmont High School on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 beginning at 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Following is the voter's guide for the meeting:

Ballot Question #1.

Selectman three-year term vote for one:

George Condodemetraky

Jon Pike

Budget Committee three-year term vote for four:

Ronald Mitchell

Albert Akerstrom

Kenneth Ellis

Tracey LeClair

Budget Committee one-year term vote for one:

Herman Martin

Cemetery Trustee three-year term vote for one:

Diane Marden

Library Trustee three-year term vote for one:

Diana Johnson

Sheila Sullivan

Planning Board three-year term vote for two:

Ward Peterson

Recardo L. Segalini Jr.

Johnathon Anstey

Ed Hawkins

Michael LeClair

Supervisor of Checklist six-year term vote for one:

Brenda Paquette

Town Clerk/Tax Collector three-year term vote for one:

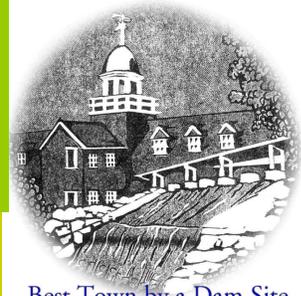
Cynthia M. DeRoy

Town Treasurer three-year term vote for one:

Nikki J. Wheeler

Trustee of Trust Funds three-year term vote for one:

Gregg L. MacPherson



Best Town by a Dam Site
Belmont, New Hampshire

March 2013

Zoning Board of Adjustment three-year term vote for one:

Marshall Ford

Ed Hawkins

Zoning Board of Adjustment two-year term vote for one:

Marshall Ford

John Froumy

Ballot Question #2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows: adopt a definition of and regulations for Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Stations and allow Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Stations only in the Industrial Zone.

Ballot Question #3. Shall the Town vote to expand the Board of Library Trustees from 3 to 5 members beginning in 2014? If approved, the 2014 Annual Town Meeting shall provide for the election of 2 additional Library Trustees, one of whom shall hold office for a 2 year term and one of whom shall hold office for a 1 year term, and thereafter, at every annual meeting, the Library Trustees shall be chosen to hold office for 3 year terms.

Ballot Question #4. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Five Thousand Dollars (\$355,000) for the purpose of replacing 3,750 feet of water lines within Belmont Village (Phase II) including engineering costs, acquisition of land or interests in land and all other costs reasonably associated with this project. The intention is that all of this appropriation will be funded by the Community Development Block Grant Program, or from similar grants; however, should the appropriation not be funded in its entirety, to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes in the amount of up to Two Hundred Forty Two Thousand Dollars (\$242,000) in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, with the balance to be funded by the Community Development Block Grant Program, or from similar grants. Future bond payments are anticipated to be funded from Water User Fees. **(3/5 Ballot Vote Required) (The Budget Committee recommends \$355,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**



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Ballot Question #5. Shall the Town vote to amend the vote taken on Ballot Question 7 at the 1999 Annual Meeting to restrict all revenues from ambulance billings (Comstar) to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund to instead restrict all but the first \$91,945 of revenues from ambulance billings (Comstar) received during the 2013 budgetary year to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund. The first \$91,945 of revenues from ambulance billings will be deposited in the Town's General Fund to defray the Fire/Ambulance cost items identified below. This restriction shall only be effective for the 2013 budgetary year (Majority Ballot Vote).

Overtime Coverage	\$40,000
Telephone Expense	\$ 1,000
Conferences & Dues (EMS related)	\$ 500
Training Expenses	\$ 1,200
Medical & Supply Expenses	\$24,745
Comstar Billing Fees	\$12,500
Office Supplies	\$ 1,000
Vehicle Repair & Parts	\$ 5,000
Fuel	\$ 6,000

Ballot Question #6. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new Fire Department Ambulance and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said amount from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund (Comstar) previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c (Created 1994/Amended 1999). This ambulance will replace two ambulances (1998, 2002) which will be used as a trade-in or sold outright against the purchase of the new ambulance. (The Budget Committee recommends \$180,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Ballot Question #7. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of purchasing a Rescue/Fire Suppression Boat 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 (Comstar) previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c (Created 1994/Amended 1999). (The Budget Committee recommends \$10,000 and the Board of Selectmen recommends \$25,000.) This article was amended by the Deliberative

Session on Saturday, February 2, 2012; those present voted to amend appropriation request to \$25,000.

Ballot Question #8. Shall the Town vote to expend the income from the John M. Sargent Trust Fund for the purposes recommended by the Sargent Fund Committee?

Belknap County 4H Fair Assoc.	\$600
Belmont Baseball Organization	\$1,100
Belmont Community Girl Scouts	\$900
Belmont Heritage Committee	\$1,000
Belmont Historical Society	\$2,000
Belmont Public Library	\$650
Belmont Police Explorers	\$700
Belmont Police Relief Santa's Helpers	\$1,000
Belmont Recreation Scholarship	\$1,200
Boy Scouts Troop 65	\$1,100
Belmont Cub Scouts Pack 65	\$1,200
Charles Kilborn Post 58 American Legion	\$500
First Baptist Church Food Pantry	\$1,700
LR Girls Babe Ruth Softball	\$900
Old Home Day Committee	\$750
St. Joseph's Food Pantry	\$2,000
Jeffrey A. Marden Scholarship Fund	\$1,000

Ballot Question #9. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Five Dollars (\$15,895) for the purpose of entry modifications and ADA compliance renovations in the Lower Level of the Corner Meeting House? (The Budget Committee recommends \$15,895 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Ballot Question #10. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Two Dollars and Eighty Six cents (\$16,922.86) to reimburse the Belmont Historical Society for the renovations to the Province Road Meetinghouse completed in 2012 and to fund this appropriation by withdrawing that amount from the expendable trust fund known as the Province Road Meetinghouse Fund created in 2005, and thereafter to discontinue the Province Road Meetinghouse Fund? (The Budget Committee recommends \$16,922.86 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.) (Majority Vote required.) The funds in this account were originally set aside by the voters for renovations to the Province Road Meeting House; this article transfers the funds to the Historical Society to reimburse them for the work already completed.

Ballot Question #11. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including



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appropriations by special warrant Ballot Questions 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 Two Thousand Two Hundred Six dollars and Thirty Five Cents (\$7,002,206.35). Should this Ballot Question be defeated, the default budget shall be Seven Million Thirty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Six Dollars and Seventy Nine Cents (\$7,038,456.79) 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 Ballot Question (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant Ballot Question. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$7,002,206.35 and the Board of Selectmen recommends \$7,040,435.18.)**

Ballot Question #12. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Six Thousand Ninety Four Dollars and Sixty Four Cents (\$166,094.64) for the reconstruction of highways, said appropriation to be offset by Highway Block Grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire? **(The Budget Committee recommends \$166,094.64 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

Ballot Question #13. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Ninety One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars and Ninety Eight Cents (\$491,587.98) for the operation and maintenance of the Sewage Collection and Disposal System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by Sewer user's fees. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$491,587.98 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

Ballot Question #14. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Four Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Six Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$274,856.70) for the operation and maintenance of the Water Distribution and Treatment System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by Water users' fees. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$274,856.70 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

Ballot Question #15. 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, 2012. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$30,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

Ballot Question #16. 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.)**

Ballot Question #17. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Library Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2000). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$10,000 and the Board of Selectmen do not support this recommendation.)**

Ballot Question #18. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) 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 \$2,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

Ballot Question #19. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in the Water System Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006) said sum is to be offset by Water user's fees. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$40,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

Ballot Question #20. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2005). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$75,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

Ballot Question #21. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars



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(\$20,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2002). (The Budget Committee recommends \$20,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Ballot Question #22. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$650,000) to be placed in the Highway Reconstruction and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006). (The Budget Committee recommends \$650,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Ballot Question #23. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Drainage Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2003). (The Budget Committee recommends \$25,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Ballot Question #24. 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 support this recommendation.)

Ballot Question #25. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Sewer Pump Station Upgrades, Replacement and Repairs Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2010), said sum to be offset by Sewer user's fees. (The Budget Committee recommends \$25,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Ballot Question #26. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Heritage Resources Fund previously established (2005). (The Budget Committee recommends \$5,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Ballot Question #27. Shall the Town vote to change the name and purpose of the BRATT Phase II Capital Reserve Fund to the BRATT Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding any and all costs related to BRATT and further, to continue to designate the Selectmen as agents to expend money from this fund. (2/3 vote required)



Anticipated Tax Rate impact of passage of the budget as presented for consideration:

\$7.72 per \$1,000 of value
Proposed rate is up .30 Cents
Impact on a \$100,000 home
\$7.42 x \$100,000 = \$742.00 @ current Tax Rate
\$7.72 x \$100,000 = \$772.00 @ proposed 2013 Tax Rate

The Town of Belmont is a member of the Lakes Region Cable Television Consortium which has been meeting since early summer 2011 relative to our Cable TV Franchise Agreement with Metrocast which is due to expire in December 2013. We have been meeting monthly and Consortium minutes are available on the Town's website, www.belmontnh.org. As more information becomes available it will be posted to the site. Please send any comments regarding the renewal process to TownAdministrator@belmontnh.org.



We would remind everyone of the winter parking bans which typically are in place from mid-November through mid-April; your cooperation is as always greatly appreciated.

We would like to remind residents/taxpayers that recycling bins are available at Town Hall so if you haven't picked up your bins (2 per household), please stop by Town Hall.





Belmont Senior Center



March 2013

*Brenda Stark Fortier,
Director*

267-9867

*Belmont Senior Center
14 Mill Street
Belmont, NH 03220
Email:*

bfortier@bm-cap.org

Serving Communities of:

*Belmont
Canterbury
Gilford
Gilmanton
Loudon*

Hours:

*Mondays 10:00-2:00
Tuesday-Friday
8:00-2:00*

*Community Dining
M-W-Th
12:00*

*Breakfast—Friday
10:00 a.m.*

*Door-To-Door
Transportation
Wed. & Thur.
8:30—1:30*

*Service Link Resource
Center
1-866-634-9412
528-6945*

Director's Desk Seems like it was just New Year's Day and here we are in March...Spring is just around the corner and it's time to think about flowers and gardens and all of the birds singing their happy tunes. Last summer I planted an asparagus patch. I can't wait to see how well it survived the winter and I will plant Part 2 of the patch this summer. Asparagus is a favorite of mine. It will fit right in with the rhubarb and blueberries. I often think about chickens but then remember how often I got pecked as a child and how the rooster used to chase me...maybe I will re-think chickens.

St. Patrick's Day is coming up soon and we have a wonderful meal scheduled for the 18th. Ham w/pineapple raisin sauce, parsley boiled potatoes, carrots, cabbage and jello cake are on the menu. If you would like to come, give us a call and we'll put you on the list.

I often wonder why more people don't come to the Center. We have a lovely group of people, our meals are varied, well-balanced and delicious. On Wednesdays we have soup and salad along with the entrée which provides a nice addition to the meal. On Friday we serve a home-cooked breakfast that rivals any restaurant. I will suggest that you call a week ahead so that I have plenty of food on hand or call the day of to see if we have had cancellations. We also have wellness opportunities, speakers who are interesting with valuable information specific to seniors and lots of just fun events. I hope that you will give us a try. We really are a delightful bunch of people and we are always looking for new friends. If you have questions or would like to talk with me about a ride to the center or other needs that you might have, give me a call...267-9867 and ask for Brenda.

Have a wonderful March. Spring is just around the corner.

Brenda

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri. 1st: 9:00 - Coffee social:

Café Bon Appetite is open serving: Scrambled Egg w/vegetables/cheese, Ham, Hash Brown, Biscuit & OJ

Mon. 4th: AM Cards

Tue. 5th: 9:00 Bone Builders 12:30—Art Class

Wed. 6th: 10:00 Wii Bowling: 12:00 Café Bienvenue;

Thur. 7th: 9:00 Bone Builders

Fri. 8th: Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00am Serving: Fresh fruit plate w/cottage cheese, whole wheat English muffin, kielbasa and juice.

Mon. 11th: AM Cards—

Tue. 12th: 9:00 Bone Builders;

Wed. 13th: 10:00 Wii Bowling; Birthday Party

Thu. 14th: 9:00 Bone Builders;

Fri. 15th: Café Bon Appetite is open serving: OJ, scrambled eggs, pancakes w/syrup, peach w/cottage cheese.

Mon. 18th: AM Cards; St. Patrick's Day Party

Tue. 19th: 9:00 Bone Builders; 12:30 Art Class

Wed. 20th: Wii Bowling 10:00am: First Day of Spring

Thu. 21st: 9:00 Bone Builders; Bingo Luncheon

Fri. 22nd: Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00 serving: Mini Quiche, link sausage, stewed tomatoes and juice.

Mon. 25th: AM Cards

Tue.: 6th: Social Gathering @ 11:30! Please note the change in time. Call for details.

Wed.: 27th: Wii Bowling 10:00 am

Thur.: 28th: 9:00 Bone Builders

Fri.: 29th: 9:00 Coffee Social Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00 serving: Belgian Waffles w/berries, Syrup, Yogurt, Boiled Eggs, Juice



"In Omnia Paratus"
(In all things ready)



Busy Start to 2013

2013 has gotten off to a busy start. In January we responded to 118 emergency incidents. This included two multi-alarm fires nine days apart. On January 11th Group 1 responded to a report of a building fire at 96 Church St. While still en-route companies received reports of fire through the roof. Lt. Bavis signed off with heavy fire through the roof and requested a First alarm assignment. Lieut. Bavis stated "A hand line was stretched into the house to the area of fire and found the fire had not broken through the sheet rock into the living space of the house. A second line was stretched to the "D" side of the house and Extinguishment was started in attic" Quick action by all responding personnel resulted in a quick knockdown of the fire.



On January 20, 2013 at 0215 hours LRMFA toned Belmont with an emergency recall along with Laconia for 13E2 to a reported structure fire at 544 Province Road. Engine 1 was en-route at 02:18 and was notified by LRMFA that they were seeing a large glow and could see a column of smoke showing in that area from their camera at the communications center, Lt Bavis requested a 1st alarm response for the fire. Engine 1 arrived on scene 02:27 and reported a 1 ½ story residential building heavily involved. Lieut. Bavis requested a second alarm and special called an ambulance to respond as he had one person down in the driveway. Lt Bavis did confirm there were no occupants left in the house, and deployed a 1 ¾ hand line to protect and extinguish the garage that had started on fire. Laconia deployed a Blitz Fire with a 3 inch hand line on the house from their engine in an attempt to knock down the main fire. It was determined that there were eight people in the house at the time of the fire.



Two evacuated through the basements windows and six jumped from the deck to the ground, a height of approximately 11ft. The bulk of the fire knocked down by 03:30 hours and the last company cleared the scene at 08:45. The cause of the fire was determined to be accidental. The owner had emptied the wood stove prior to going to bed and the bucket was left without a lid approximately eight inches from the exterior wall.

Belmont Fire Department January 2013 Alarm by type

ALS Transport	31
ALS Non-Transport	1
BLS Transport	12
BLS Non-Transport	11
Fire Response	26
Hazardous Materials Response	2
Motor Vehicle Accident ALS Transport	2
Motor Vehicle Accident No Injury	6
Mutual Aid Response	18
No Medical incident Found/No Patient Contact	4
Service Call	5
Total	118



Fire Department News (cont.)



Warning: Hot Coffee!

Human Trafficking

No. HC-2012-1 February 2, 2012

Learning Objective: The student shall be able to recognize the signs of human trafficking.

Human trafficking is a crime and a human rights abuse involving commercial sexual exploitation of a child or the use of force, coercion, or fraud to compel someone into labor servitude or commercial sexual exploitation. Thousands of men, women, and children are trafficked in the United States every year. Many of these victims are lured from their homes with false promises of well-paying jobs; instead, they are forced into prostitution, involuntary domestic servitude, farm or factory labor, or other types of forced labor.

Approximately one-third of human trafficking victims are treated by medical providers. Similar to observing patients for signs of abuse, fire and emergency medical services (EMS) responders should be aware of the signs of human trafficking.

Trafficking Indicators

- Is the victim in possession of identification and travel documents; if not, who has control of the documents?
- Was the victim coached on what to say to law enforcement and immigration officials?
- Was the victim recruited for one purpose and forced to engage in some other job?
- Is the victim's salary being garnished to pay off a smuggling fee? (Paying off a smuggling fee alone is not considered trafficking.)
- Was the victim forced to perform sexual acts?
- Does the victim have freedom of movement?
- Has the victim or family been threatened with harm if the victim attempts to escape?
- Has the victim been threatened with deportation or law enforcement action?
- Has the victim been harmed or deprived of food, water, sleep, medical care, or other life necessities?
- Can the victim freely contact friends or family?
- Is the victim a juvenile engaged in commercial sex?
- Is the victim allowed to socialize or attend religious services?

When observing patients or incidents with these signs of human trafficking, responders should notify local law enforcement or call (866) 347-2423 anytime.

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has a variety of human trafficking resources, including specific resources for the fire and EMS community. To request these materials, visit the DHS Web site at www.dhs.gov/humantrafficking



Belmont Fire Department 2013 Request For Service

MONTH	EMERGENCY RESPONSE	FIRE MARSHAL ACTIVITIES	NON-EMERGENCY	PERMIT	Total
January	118	26	109	19	272



Planning and Zoning News
March, 2013

Planning Board:

- Congratulations to “*Something Old & New Bargain Barn*” relocating to a new site at 5 Ham Avenue.
- The Sno cross event planned at the Lakes Region Casino for February 9th suffered from a lack of snow and then a blizzard resulting in very low attendance for this year’s event.
- **Article #2 on the Town Meeting Ballot (Voting - 3/12/13):** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: adopt a definition of and regulations for Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Stations and allow Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Stations only in the Industrial Zone.

Information regarding this proposal:

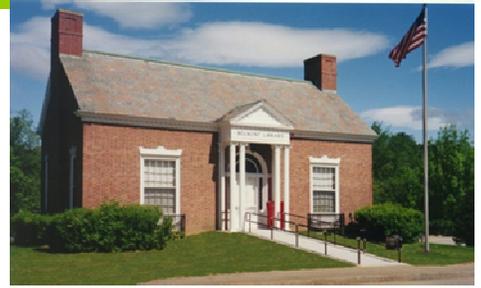
- ◇ The Industrial Zone is within the Aquifer and Groundwater Protection District from which Belmont and Northfield draw water supplies. Although an imperfect match, intersecting main highway routes and the Industrial Zone were created long before an understanding of the importance of protecting Aquifers.
- ◇ If approved, any application for a Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Transfer Station must still obtain all State and Local permits, including all related public hearings.
- ◇ The type of materials handled by a MSW Transfer Station are strictly limited by NH Env-Sw 103.46 – “Municipal solid waste (MSW)” means solid waste generated at residences, commercial or industrial establishments, and institutions, but excluding construction and demolition debris, automobile scrap and other motor vehicle waste, infection waste, asbestos waste, contaminated soil and other absorbent media and ash other than ash from household stoves.
- ◇ There are 230 operating municipal and private transfer facilities in NH. NH DES is not aware of any significant spill from a permitted transfer station. Fires can be a concern in such facilities.
- ◇ Such facilities are subject to both NH DES Solid and Hazardous Waste Rules with specific design and waste transfer requirements.
- ◇ Contingency plans are required by DES as part of every permit application.
- ◇ Other NH DES permit requirements include “Notice of Filing” to NH Fish & Game, NH DOT, NH Dept of Resources & Econ Dev, NH Rivers Coordinator and all abutters. That is in addition to town review and noticing.
- ◇ Host communities often enjoy a reduction in the cost of their waste disposal and/or opportunities for enhanced services.

“The cost of solid waste collection and disposal continues to rise each year; the budget as proposed for 2013 is in excess of \$500,000 and the Town will be facing additional costs in the future as the Concord Regional Solid Waste Cooperative's contract expires with Wheelabrator in 2014. If the amendment being discussed tonight goes forward to Town Meeting and is approved by the voters it may afford the Town other options for both collection and disposal of its Solid Waste in a more cost effective manner.” (Excerpt from December 17, 2012 memo to the Planning Board from Town Administrator Jeanne Beaudin)



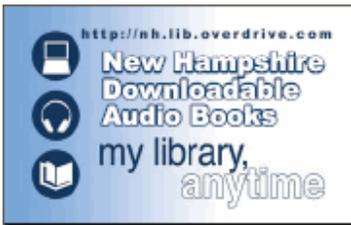
Library News

Belmont Public Library News



Technology changes quickly. In the blink of an eye, cutting-edge information from yesterday is obsolete! It is hard to keep up – especially if you are the kind of reader who prefers electronically downloaded materials to the traditional paper and ink books! It seems that as soon as one app is on the device, something else needs to be added! It is not easy, but there are “tools” in the form of Blogs and e-information that can help.

By using the Belmont Public Library website (www.belmontpubliclibrary.org) and clicking on the link for New Hampshire Downloadable Audio Books or by going directly to <http://nh.lib.overdrive.com>, you will find another link that looks like this.



This site has up-to-date information and tips on using Downloadable books, Audio and E-books, as well as listings of new purchases, book reviews and more.

For example, did you know that there is a mobile app for Nexus 7 and nearly all Android devices? This mobile app actually allows you to download MP3 audio-books and EPUB books directly from the browser!

This Blog has all the news on new devices and step-by-step directions for apps and installations. There are helpful hints for using the newest technology. There are helpful hints on resolving compatibility issues. The Blog has troubleshooting information that will guide you to success when technology seems stuck. Occasionally there is a problem with Overdrive (the company that supplies Downloadable books to New Hampshire libraries). It may be having its own “technical difficulties” and be unavailable for a brief period of time. Sometimes old fashioned patience is the only remedy, rather than electronic techy skills! This will be noted on the Blog.

The New Hampshire Downloadable Book Consortium provides many libraries, including Belmont, an affordable realistic means for sharing a large collection E-books and Audio books to communities. For an annual fee, we have access to over 11,000 E-books and nearly 7,000 Audiobooks. There are even multiple copies of some of the most popular titles, so several people can read them at the same time in a group. There are children’s books also. A teacher we know downloads the same title as an E-Book, and as an Audio Book. Her young readers can then listen to an Audio book while reading along in the E-book! Enjoy technology!! Happy Reading!!





BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Social Media and the Belmont Police Department

Thank you to American Legion Post 58 of Belmont and Home Depot Of Tilton

The men and women of the Belmont Police Department recently updated the police department with a fresh coat of paint. Our efforts could not have been made possible without the help from Home Depot of Tilton who donated paint and supplies.

American Legion Post 58 of Belmont presents new flags, posts and stands to the Belmont Police Department



Commander Robert Stevens of American Legion Post 58, Belmont (middle), Chief Mark Lewandoski (left) and Lieutenant Richard Mann (right).

With the ever-expanding landscape of social media, the Belmont Police Department is currently developing a new website which will incorporate creative ways to integrate community awareness through the use of social media. Recently, the Belmont Police Department has partnered with the Lakes Region Community College to design a new progressive website which will seamlessly integrate social media applications into the new website. Spearheading this initiative is Corporal Adam C. Hawkins along with local student, Adam St Hillare, who is also a Belmont resident. This opportunity creates a partnership between the department and LRCC and gives the student a real-world work experience while putting his expertise to the test.

The Belmont Police Department website is still current with several social media programs currently up and running. The Belmont Police Department website was initially developed by the previous Chief of Police, Vincent Baiocchetti. In the past two to three years, the department has utilized the following programs - Facebook, Twitter, Nixle, and CrimeReports - to provide access to emergency information, crime in your area, community events and other information. We will continue to use these programs on the future website. Please visit <http://www.belmontnh.org/bpd/bpdmain.htm>, where you can find out more about these programs as well as police department forms and contact information.

The Belmont Police Department is looking forward to maintaining a high level of commitment to Belmont residents with our new website and social media initiatives to enhance community relations offering easier access to information. The launch date for the new website is tentatively scheduled for April/May 2013.

- Corporal Adam C. Hawkins

Internet and Social Media Informational Meeting

MARCH 13, 2013 6:00 PM

**Belmont High School Cafeteria
255 Seavey Road**

Detective Michael Cassidy of the Concord Police- Computer Crimes Unit

Hosted by the Belmont Police Department





Police Department News (cont.)

Scams In Our Area

Scam Artists have been around for centuries using many means to perpetrate scams of all sorts in order to gain through taking advantage of others. With technology innovations progressing daily, scam artists are now utilizing the various aspects and tools of the internet to reach a larger target audience in a relatively short period of time, creating a breeding ground for internet fraud or scams.

Here are some of the most recent and common frauds and scams in our area:

Credit Card Fraud If purchasing merchandise, ensure it is from a reputable source. Do research to ensure legitimacy of the individual or company. Beware of providing credit card information through unsolicited emails. Promptly reconcile credit card statements to avoid unauthorized charges.

Identity Theft Ensure websites are secure before submitting a credit card number. Never throw away credit card or bank statements in usable form, shred them. Be aware of missed bills, which could indicate the account has been taken over. Be cautious of scams requiring personal information. Never give a credit card number over the phone unless you make the call. Monitor credit statements monthly for any fraudulent activity. Review a copy of your credit report at least once a year. Report unauthorized transactions to your bank or credit card companies as soon as possible.

Lotteries Be wary if you do not remember entering a lottery or contest. Be cautious if you receive a telephone call stating you are the winner of a lottery. Beware of lotteries that charge a fee before delivering your prize. Be wary of demands to send additional money to be eligible for future winnings. It is a violation of federal law to play a foreign lottery via mail or phone.

Reshipping Internet Purchases Be cautious if you are asked to ship packages to an "overseas home office." Be leery if the individual states that his country will not allow direct business shipments from the United States. Be wary if the ship-to address is yours but the name on the package is not.

Do not accept packages you did not order. If you receive packages you did not order, either refuse delivery or contact

the company that sent the package. You may find that they did not authorize the shipment either.

Phishing/Spoofing Be suspicious of any unsolicited email requesting personal information.

Avoid filling out forms in email messages that ask for personal information. This could be a phishing scam. Always compare the link in the email to the link that you are actually directed to visit. Log on to the entity's official website, instead of "linking" to it from an unsolicited email. Contact the actual business that supposedly sent the email to verify if the email is genuine.

Spam Do not open spam. Delete it. Never respond to spam because this will confirm to the sender that it is a valid email address. Have a primary and secondary email address — one for people you know and one for all other purposes. Avoid giving out your email address unless you know how it will be used. Never purchase anything advertised through • unsolicited email.

Here are some resources which will further explain these scams and frauds as well as provide insight to others that are out there.

Federal Trade Commission
1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357) (toll-free)
<http://www.ftc.gov/>

If the e-business with which you are having trouble is a New Hampshire business, call the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau of the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office.

NH Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau
33 Capitol Street
Concord, NH 03301-6397
603-271-3641

The Belmont Police Department in most cases can assist victims and investigate these types crimes or direct them to the proper agency who can. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you or someone you know has been victimized by a fraud or a scam.



Other Community News -

New Town-wide email address changes to take effect January 1, 2013



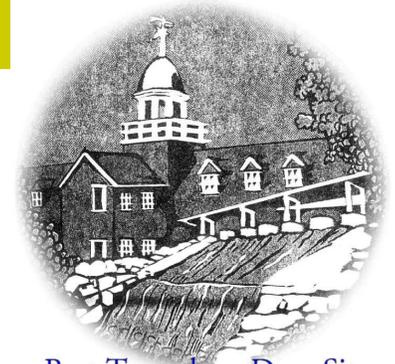
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Brown, R	bfdff5@belmontnh.org
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Belmont, New Hampshire

March 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 Lego Club 10:30am @ Library
3	4	5 LR Girls Softball 6:30pm at CMH (downstairs) Story time 3:30pm @ Library	6 Conservation Comm Mtg 6pm @ CMH Preschool Story time 10:30pm @ Library	7 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	8	9
10 Daylight Savings Begins - Spring Forward	11	12 Town Meeting 7am -7pm BHS Bogie Busters 7pm at CMH (downstairs) Story time 3:30pm @ Library Library Trustees Mtg 6:30pm @ Library	13 Preschool Story time 10:30pm @ Library	14 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	15	16
17 St. Patrick's Day	18 BOS Mtg 5pm at CMH	19 Story time 3:30pm @ Library	20 Preschool Story time 10:30pm @ Library Spring Begins	21 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	22	23
24	25 Planning Board Mtg 7pm @ CMH	26 Story time 3:30pm @ Library	27 ZBA Mtg 7pm at CMH (downstairs) Preschool Story time 10:30pm @ Library	28 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	29	30
31 Easter					Good Friday	

