



**TOWN OF BELMONT
OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

MEMO TO: Town Meeting Members
FROM: Board of Selectmen
DATE: January 20, 2005
SUBJECT: Special Town Meeting Warrant and Motions

Dear Town Meeting Members:

As you will see from the enclosed Warrant, there are three areas for discussion at this Special Town Meeting: the disposition of the Waverley Fire Station property and Zoning By-law amendments which will facilitate its re-use (Articles 3, 4 and 5); the funding of schematic designs and establishing a Building Committee for a new Wellington School (Article 6); and a discussion of issues arising from the budgeting process for FY 2006, beginning July 1, 2005 (Article 7).

At this time, the Board believes that the Town's FY06 budget presents significant issues and raises several concerns. In preparation for April's Annual Town Meeting and approval of the actual FY06 budget, the Board and the Warrant Committee will report to the Special Town Meeting on the budget. Our intention is to offer Town Meeting Members FY06 budget information which will frame the issues, promote full and frank discussion, and ask for input from Town Meeting Members. The Board anticipates that the business of this Special Town Meeting will be concluded in one session. The budget discussion will be the final matter on the agenda.

This Special Town Meeting Warrant packet includes the Warrant as well as the motions that will be made with respect to each. There is also material from the Town Moderator regarding the procedure for making written amendments to Warrant Articles. All of this information is included within the Town Meeting section of the Town's web page. Since this site contains information and notices about Town Meeting, you are strongly encouraged to subscribe to it. By subscribing, you will receive an e-mail each time a new document or notice is posted to the site.

Please visit <http://www.town.belmont.ma.us/subscriber.shtml> to subscribe. The mail list is called Belmont Town Meeting. You are also encouraged to attend the Warrant Discussion Evening, a program sponsored by the League of Women Voters designed to educate Town Meeting Members on aspects of articles in the Warrant. This year's program is scheduled for Thursday evening, February 3 at 7:30 PM at the Chenery Middle School.

We look forward to a productive Town Meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul Solomon, Chairman
William N. Brownsberger, Vice Chairman
Angelo R. Firenze

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