



MOTIONS
2015 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
DRAFT as of April 13, 2015
(Subject to Change)

PRELIMINARY MOTION

ORDER OF THE ARTICLES

MOVED: That the Town Meeting hear the motions in the following order: ***(Majority vote)***

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 8,
10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24

ARTICLE 1:

REPORTS

MOVED: That the reports of the Selectmen and other Town Officers, departments and committees for the year 2014 be accepted. ***(Majority vote)***

MOVED: That Article 1 motion be laid on the table. ***(Majority vote)***

ARTICLE 2:

AUTHORIZATION TO REPRESENT THE TOWN'S LEGAL INTERESTS

MOVED: That the Board of Selectmen be, and it hereby is, authorized to bring and defend actions for and against the Town, to submit any such claims to arbitration and to enter into settlement on account of the same in behalf of the Town as and when it deems it for the best interest of the Town to do so; said power shall be vested solely in the Board of Selectmen. ***(Majority vote)***

ARTICLE 3:

**AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS FOR "STORMWATER
MANGEMENT AND EROSION CONTROL" §60-325**

MOVED: That under Article 3, the reading of the proposed amendment to Article 3 of the Town's General Bylaws pertaining to "Stormwater Management and Erosion Control" §60-325 be dispensed with, the same being set forth in full under Article 3 in the Warrant for this Meeting and having been distributed to each Town Meeting Member. ***(Majority vote)***

MOVED: That the Town vote to amend Section 60-325 of the Town of Belmont General Bylaws "Stormwater Management and Erosion Control" as set forth in "Attachment A - 2015 Annual Town Meeting Article 3 Proposed Amendments to Stormwater Management and Erosion Control Bylaw" under Article 3 in the Warrant for this Meeting. ***(Majority vote)***

Reporting: Bylaw Review Committee

ARTICLE 4: AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS; AUTHORITY FOR TOWN CLERK TO ASSIGN APPROPRIATE ALPHANUMERIC REFERENCES

MOVED: That under Article 4, the reading of the proposed amendment to Article 4 of the Town's General Bylaws pertaining to "Authority for Town Clerk to Assign Appropriate Alphanumeric References" be dispensed with, the same being set forth in full under Article 4 in the Warrant for this Meeting and having been distributed to each Town Meeting Member. **(Majority vote)**

MOVED: That the Town vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town of Belmont "Authority for Town Clerk to assign appropriate alphanumeric references" by inserting Section 10-115 (E), as set forth in full under Article 4 in the Warrant for this Meeting. **(Majority vote)**

Reporting: Bylaw Review Committee

ARTICLE 5: AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS TO CORRECT TYPOGRAPHICAL CLERICAL ERRORS

MOVED: That under Article 5, the reading of the proposed amendment to Article 5 of the Town's General Bylaws to "Correct Typographical Clerical Errors" be dispensed with, the same being set forth in full under Article 5 in the Warrant for this meeting and having been distributed to each Town Meeting Member. **(Majority vote)**

MOVED: That the Town vote to amend the General Bylaws to correct typographical clerical errors as set forth in full under Article 5 in the Warrant for this Meeting. **(Majority vote)**

Reporting: Bylaw Review Committee

ARTICLE 6: CITIZENS' PETITION – ONE YEAR MORATORIUM IN A PORTION OF THE SINGLE RESIDENCE C ZONING DISTRICT ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF OVERSIZED SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING UNITS

MOVED: That the Town vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Belmont by inserting a new Section 10.0, 'Interim Controls – Shaw Gardens and Hittinger Farm Overlay District', at the end of the Zoning By-Law as follows:

10.0 Interim Controls – Shaw Gardens and Hittinger Farm Overlay District

10.1 Purpose

The purpose of the Shaw Gardens and Hittinger Farm Overlay District is to provide a temporary period of prohibition on the teardown and replacement of any existing detached single-family dwelling unit with any structure that exceeds a total height of thirty-two (32) feet, as measured from the average grade to the highest point of the roof (ridge), while the Town engages in planning studies to address the effects of such demolition and construction and recommends long-term regulations consistent with sound fire safety and land use planning goals and objectives.

10.2 Establishment and Delineation

The boundaries of the Shaw Gardens and Hittinger Farm Overlay District are shown on the Shaw Gardens and Hittinger Farm Overlay District Map on file with the Town Clerk and include a portion of the underlying Single Residence C Zoning District as shown on the Town of Belmont Zoning Map. The Overlay District includes parcels 20 through 161, 163 through 188, and 190 through 243, as shown on the Town of Belmont Tax Assessors Map 9.

10.3 Development Restriction

For the period established under Section 10.4, within the Shaw Gardens and Hittinger Farm Overlay District, all requirements of the underlying zoning district remain in effect, except for the restriction established under this Section 10.3. No building permit shall issue for the construction, reconstruction, or modification of any detached single-family dwelling unit that will exceed a total height of thirty-two (32) feet, as measured from the average grade to the highest point of the roof (ridge).

10.4 Time Limitation

The provisions of this Section 10 shall expire on June 30, 2016; provided, however, that by vote at Town Meeting before said date, they may be extended for an additional period to continue planning studies necessary to promote the establishment of long-term regulations consistent with sound fire safety and land use planning goals and objectives. **(Two-thirds vote)**

Reporting: Planning Board and Warrant Committee

ARTICLE 7: AMEND ZONING BY-LAW: AMEND GENERAL RESIDENCE ZONING DISTRICTS ZONING BY-LAW FOR SINGLE DWELLINGS AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO A TWO-FAMILY DWELLING

MOVED: That under Article 7, the reading of the proposed amendment to the Town's Zoning By-Law pertaining to "Section 6D.7" be dispensed with, the same being set forth in full under Article 7 in the Warrant for this Meeting and having been distributed to each Town Meeting Member. **(Majority vote)**

MOVED: That the Town vote to amend Section 6D of the Zoning By-Law by inserting a new Section 6D.7, 'Single-Family Dwellings as an Alternative to a Two-Family Dwelling', and renumber the remaining Sections accordingly as set forth in full under Article 7 in the Warrant for this Meeting. **(Two-thirds vote)**

Reporting: Planning Board and Warrant Committee

ARTICLE 9: CITIZENS' PETITION – NON-BINDING RESOLUTION: SOLAR POLICY

MOVED: That the Town vote to adopt the resolution as set forth in full under Article 9 in the Warrant for this Town Meeting.
