



VOTERS GUIDE

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Polls are open from **Noon to 8 pm**

Polling locations in **red** have changed.

Precinct 1: BU-Wheelock College, 43 Hawes St.

Monmouth Street Entrance

Precinct 2: Coolidge Corner Library,

Community Room, 31 Pleasant St.

**Precinct 3: Coolidge Corner School,
Stedman Street Entrance**

Precinct 4: Town Hall, 333 Washington St.,
Room 103

Precinct 5: New Lincoln School, 19 Kennard Rd.

Precinct 6: BHS Schluntz Gymnasium,
115 Greenough St.

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115 Greenough St.**

Precinct 8: Coolidge Corner School, Gymnasium,
Stedman Street Entrance

Precinct 9: Senior Center, 93 Winchester St.

**Precinct 10: BHS Schluntz Gymnasium,
115 Greenough St.**

Precinct 11: Driscoll School New Gymnasium,
Washington St. Entrance

Precinct 12: Runkle School Gymnasium,
50 Druce Street (Front entrance)

Precinct 13: Runkle School Gymnasium,
50 Druce Street (Front entrance)

Precinct 14: Heath School Gymnasium, 100 Eliot
St.

**Precinct 15: Baker School, 205 Beverly Rd,
Lower Level cafeteria**

Precinct 16: Putterham Library
959 West Roxbury Pkwy

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how to vote by mail and
other important election information

Please note the changes to poll times and
locations in the column on the left.

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have questions, they are encouraged to contact their
candidates.

The League policy is that we do not edit the
responses from the candidates.

An (*) next to a candidates name indicates
incumbency.

▼ SELECT BOARD

Salary: Chairman: \$4,500 per annum.
Other members: \$3,500 per annum.

Duties: The Select Board carries out the votes of Town Meeting; reviews the annual budget for bonds and notes for the borrowing of money; appoints certain department heads, assistants, advisors, boards and committees; serves as a licensing board and as the police and fire commissioners; represents the Town before the General Court in all regional and metropolitan affairs; and enforces the Town Bylaws and regulations.

Candidates were asked to limit responses to 300 words.

Question 1: What financial strategies do you recommend to meet the town's long- and short-term needs?

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Two

Heather Hamilton (*) / 75 Longwood Ave

1. Most municipal budgets are balanced through new growth, raised fees, cuts, or overrides. New growth comes in a variety of forms: a new hotel, retail marijuana, more commercial tax base which we as a community have explored over the past few years.

In the short-term, Brookline should develop a plan to address and implement many of the strategies identified in the Brookline Fiscal Advisory Committee's Report such as getting the Town and Schools to use the same budgeting software, pilot zero-based budgeting, and develop a maximum debt policy.

In the long-term, we need to have a more holistic conversation about who we are as a community. How dense is too dense? What types of businesses do we want and where do we want them? How many children can we teach in a classroom? The answers to these questions drive the actions we can take. Everything is a balance and it is up to us to find it whether it is residential/commercial, multifamily/single family, vehicle/pedestrian.

There are challenges to any municipal budget in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts during normal times. Add in the uncertainty of a pandemic timed right before the fiscal year ends, it means that hard choices are going to have to be made even as soon as the coming month.

I am committed to affordability, quality public school education, public safety, and maintaining a vibrant community. The trade-offs will be raising taxes to maintain service level or making cuts to keep taxes steady to ensure affordability. These choices will be difficult and will test our values as a community.

2. Heather works for BSC Group, a civil engineering firm, as a project manager in the Transportation practice. She currently serves on the Select Board. She holds two masters degrees; one in Transportation Policy and one in Public Administration.

Eric Emanuel Hyett (New) / 1569 Beacon St

1. A compassionate response to the Covid-19 pandemic means generating new revenues to make up for the income the town has lost, and finding cuts to bridge further shortfalls. These new revenues should come from both housing construction (welcoming new neighbors, especially seniors) and commercial development of office space at a livable scale. Given the precarious financial situation we are in, I would start by re-pricing and re-evaluating existing capital improvement projects. I strongly agree with the Brookline Fiscal Advisory Committee (BFAC) that all Warrant Articles should be evaluated neutrally for financial impact, and I would further professionalize that decision-making process in the interest of fairness. Inclusion and transparency are my top priorities as we make these decisions together. Long term, I support mixed-use development in our commercial areas, enhancing the town's eco-friendly policies and reputation for livability. I would include all categories of housing (luxury, workforce and true affordable housing) in a bold mixed-use redevelopment plan for our commercial areas.

2. A Brookline native, I attended Driscoll, BHS, SWS, Harvard, and MIT. I'm a renter, sharing an apartment on Beacon Street with my boyfriend, Teddy Weinberg. If elected, I'll be Brookline's first openly-gay Select Board member, as well as the first graduate of School-Within-a-School to serve in that position. I earn my living as a poet, professional Japanese translator, and writing teacher. I have long been active in town issues, and I presently teach memoir writing to mothers who live in Brookline Housing. I'm a former international business development executive; I held executive positions at Microsoft, Deutsche Bank, and was the first Japan Country Manager at Experian. I have experience negotiating billion-dollar contracts in 6 languages and 20 countries and will bring this expertise to the Select Board.

John R. VanScoyoc (New) / 307 Reservoir Rd

1. Covid-19 is a double-whammy: causing financial pain to out-of-work homeowners and renters, while undercutting revenues to the Town. So, number 1 strategy is burden sharing: prioritize basic services, especially to vulnerable populations, minimize layoffs while trimming budgets through hiring freeze/attrition, and show leniency to out-of-work taxpayers (and renters) struggling to pay bills. Step up assistance to small business owners seeking SBA loans, etc. Accelerate economic development efforts, especially in the Route 9 corridor.

2. Barbara and I moved into our first home in Brookline the year we got married. We put down roots and raised a family. Our children, Ellen and Robert, went to Heath School and then to BHS and then to college, and now we have three grandchildren. My neighbors have re-elected me to Town Meeting 10 times. I've served twice on the town's fiscal Advisory Committee (once as chair), and president of the Brookline Historical Society (now Treasurer) and longtime board member of Brookline Mental Health Center.

In 2019, I had a hand in creating "Spend Smart." We successfully made the case against the "Baldwin bundle" ballot question. Last December, I joined Driscoll parents in their winning campaign for a new school. The Driscoll Building Committee is now advancing a project that will be the Town's first "net zero" school with geo-thermal heating and cooling.

Since retiring from my career in print and television journalism, I've volunteered as a reporter on Brookline government via social media.

In early January, I was the first non-incumbent to enter the contest for Select Board, winning endorsements from Select Board chair Bernard Greene and member Ben Franco.

Covid-19's unprecedented blow to public health and our economy calls for tested leaders who won't require on-the-job training. That's the record I offer to voters in the contest for Select Board.

Did you know...

LWV member Louise Castle in 1960 became the first woman elected to the Board of Selectmen. Future governor Michael Dukakis and future lieutenant governor and U.S. cabinet secretary Eliot Richardson managed her campaign. In 2007, the board had a female majority (Nancy Daly, Betsy DeWitt, and Jesse Mermell) for the first time.

▼ TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Salary: Unpaid.

Duties: The Library Trustees appoint the Town Librarian; establish policies; request the annual budget; and supervise all expenditures.

Candidates were asked to limit responses to 300 words.

Question 1: What is your vision for the Brookline libraries?

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Four

Chris Chanyasulkit (*) / 16 Corey Rd

1. With my grassroots advocacy background, solid communications skills, and leadership experiences, I believe that I am an asset to the Board. My priorities include: actively supporting efforts to develop community-responsive programming; using my proven communications skills to create a pro-active presence for the libraries; & recognizing the knowledge and talents within our community, I solicit and leverage creative thinking from community members on how we can work together to strengthen and further the great work of our libraries and its vital staff. Libraries are true equalizers where ALL people have free access to programs, resources, books, computers, and more - to help them reach their full potential. I believe that I will bring a different voice and new energy and hope to have the opportunity to help all members of Brookline utilize the libraries' many services. Amidst this coronavirus pandemic, I have also worked hard to share the e-resources that our libraries provide to our patrons.

2. Resident since 2002. LEADERSHIP/SERVICE: Brookline Commission for Women (2006-2019); Asian American Commission (Commissioner Emeritas); American Public Health Association (Chair, Executive Board); MA Commission on the Status of Women (Commissioner Emeritas); League of Women Voters of Brookline (Board Member); US Dept. of Health & Human Services Office of Minority Health – New England Regional Health Equity Council (appointed member); Brookline Medical Reserve Corps; Brookline Community Emergency Response Team; Brookline Asian American Family Network (Steering Committee Member); Town Meeting Member (Precinct 13); UMass Boston Institute of Asian American Studies (Advisory Board Member) EDUCATION: PhD (Northeastern University), MPH, BA (Boston University). FAMILY: Married to James Bardin, Mother to Hunter (10), Grayson (8), Genevieve (5). Chris loves reading mysteries.

Gary D. Jones (*) / 70 Francis St

1. In these times, we need for the libraries to stay closed until it's safe for the staff and the public to again operate as usual, when the risk to health and life is lessened. We need to continue to add to our book and library materials collection so that when we do reopen our collection is up to date. Currently the library staff has made available on line stories, books, and library materials, which can be viewed from home. The staff and director has done an excellent job providing content.

We look forward to the time we can enjoy being in our three libraries.

2. Jones is a former Boston teacher, State Representative, researcher for the Mass House of Representatives. He is now an elected TMM and Brookline Library Trustee. He is married to Marsha Jones, with three adult

children and seven grandchildren. He holds a BBA from the University of Notre Dame and two ALM degrees from Harvard University, in government and creative writing.

Karen Livingston (*) / 1501 Beacon St

1. My vision for the Brookline libraries is one that can touch every member of our community through its offerings, digitally or in-person. We introduce our patrons to new ideas and help them connect with the community.

The Public Libraries of Brookline offer a wide array of books, movies, music, and added to that our "Library of Things" including telescopes, tents/back packs, sewing machines, gym passes and SO MUCH MORE.

A critical role of any library is to serve as a community gathering place. Libraries can ease the isolation that so many of us feel, by providing activities and seating for relaxing or reading. We offer children and their care providers, Tweens, and Teens a safe place to relax and to learn.

Our Library Director, Sara Slymon, and the incredible staff have created a new, virtual library experience for people of all ages. Within a week of being closed, we had deployed our chrome books into the community. Our talented librarians had repurposed ideaSpace sewing machines and 3D printers to make personal protective equipment. We are offering digital story times, craft activities, yoga, and book clubs. And of course, we have the cornerstone of any library...books, albeit digital books. We have movies...through our movie services like Kanopy and Hoopla. We connect personally, through social media. We've brought the library into our patron's homes.

2. Karen Livingston and her husband, Ted, have raised three sons in Brookline. She has been a volunteer in a multitude of school and community organizations as well as a Library Trustee for 19 years.

Jonathan J. Margolis (*) / 49 Harvard Ave

1. My vision for the library is to continue to serve the public in the manner that inspired this communication from one of our patrons during the current crisis:

"I just saw the news that the library is going to be closed until the end of June, which just breaks my heart - it is our son's favorite place and I think its closure has been one of the hardest adjustments for him during these difficult times. I'm sure it's not an easy decision to remain closed and I trust that you're following expert advice and doing what is necessary to keep everyone safe.... Given that we're now facing two long months without being able to visit the library in person, I wanted to just send a quick note to say thank you for the bi-weekly storytimes you're running on Facebook live. We tune in every time and my son just lights up watching the librarians read and sing. I think he likes

seeing the familiar faces (Julie at the Brookline Village location used to greet us by name when we'd come in) and of course he loves the stories. So thank you so much for this, it is one of the highlights of our week - and if there's any way that you could expand these to be daily or even more often than just Monday/Thursdays I promise you we would join every single one!"

That is what the Library is all about.

2. Library Trustee: 2005- ; Town Meeting Member 2006- Civil Rights lawyer. 40 + year Brookline resident.

▼ SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Salary: Unpaid.

Duties: The School Committee has the power to select and terminate the Superintendent of Schools; approve and review budgets for public education; establish educational goals and policies for the schools in the district, consistent with the requirements of the law and state-wide goals and standards established by the Massachusetts Board of Education.

Candidates were asked to limit responses to 300 words.

Question 1: What steps would you take to maintain the quality of our schools given current budgetary constraints?

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates For Three Year Term**Vote For Not More Than Three****Suzanne Federspiel (*) / 3 Greenough Circle**

1. My highest priorities are to develop the social-emotional, physical, and intellectual abilities of all our students. I am committed to low student-teacher ratios, to teacher autonomy in the classroom, and to racial justice and equity throughout the district. The school budget must reflect these priorities.

As a town, we anticipated increased revenues for FY21 but with the pandemic we will need to make adjustments to the school budget. The School Committee should work with the Town School Partnership, the Advisory Board (and BFAC recommendations), the Select Board, and Town Meeting to develop and implement the budget we need to maintain our excellent schools. We are planning quarterly summits to bring all parties together to review our plans for FY21 and also to develop long-range plans, including capital improvement. There will be budget reductions across the district. The School Committee will need to look at Central Office staff. Any budget cuts to the school budget should be as far removed from the classroom as possible.

(School Committee continues)

4. LWV of Brookline VOTERS GUIDE to Town Elections June 9, 2020

I have served on the Finance Subcommittee these past years. I have pushed hard for budgetary discretion at the school level. School Councils made up of educators, administrators, families, and community members are empowered by the state to advise their schools on their budgets. School Councils know best what positions and/or programs should be increased or decreased at their schools. Our new budgetary platform OpenGov will be a powerful tool for this planning.

I ask for your vote on June 9th. It will take hard work and honest conversations to get through this budget crisis.

2. Elected to the School Committee in 2017, current Vice Chair. An educator for nearly 40 years and currently a teacher and administrator mentor in Boston. Brookline resident since 1985. My two children attended Pierce School and Brookline High School.

Andy J. Liu (New) / 61 Griggs Rd

1. As I write this on May 2, we don't yet know how much the school budget will shrink next year, how much academic learning and emotional growth will be lost to the shutdown, and even whether school buildings will reopen in the fall. It does seem likely that the budget cut will be dramatic, to the point where we may have to eliminate whole programs.

The School Committee has substantial authority to set priorities and steer the budget process by working closely with the school administration. I want the School Committee to exert that authority to the utmost during the crisis we are in. As a School Committee member, I will work with my colleagues to ensure that any cuts start far from the classroom and from the most vulnerable children. After a long closure, our students will need – more than ever – individual attention from trusted teachers, specialists, and paraprofessionals. It is the child-facing positions that must be protected.

2. Andy Liu is a Pierce School parent, a neuroscientist, and a Town Meeting Member for Precinct 10. He and Rachel Wilson have a son who is a second grader at Pierce and a graduate of BEEP. Andy holds a BA in philosophy from Harvard University and a PhD in mathematics from the University of California, Berkeley. He works as a research fellow in neurobiology at Boston Children's Hospital, where he does experiments to understand how cells in the eye sense light and communicate with the brain. He wants the Brookline Public Schools to lead the nation in fostering experimentation, creativity, and joy in learning.

Did you Know ...

In elections in October 1873, the city of Charlestown and the towns of Brighton and West Roxbury voted to accept annexation to Boston. Only Brookline resisted, after vigorous debate in town, with 70% of voters casting No ballots. Several later attempts at annexation were also defeated.

Mariah C. Nobrega (New) / 33 Bowker St

1. The most important step to take in maintaining the quality of our schools was articulated well by dozens of parents at school committee meetings this year during budget hearings: keep any cuts as far away from the classroom as possible. Unfortunately, we may not be able to keep cuts entirely out of the classroom at this point: the reality is that to the best of our knowledge, due to coronavirus-related revenue shortfalls the operating budget will need to be cut beyond anything we have experienced in living memory. But, if we hold the frontline student-educator relationship above everything else, we will have done our best we can under unprecedented circumstances to maintain educational quality. Another important step to take is to continue key building projects that will help us address our longstanding overcrowding challenges. For example, this upcoming year we will go to the voters for approval of the Pierce School rebuild; with significant state funding being made available to us, it is imperative that we take advantage of that partnership.

2. Born and raised in Brookline, I and my husband Arthur have three children (at BHS, Pierce, and preschool). In addition to my town service (Town Meeting 2009-present; multiple committees including Advisory Committee 2015-2019, Commission for Diversity, Inclusion and Community Relations 2019-present), I am former Pierce PTO Treasurer and current co-president of BHS Alumni Association.

▼ HOUSING AUTHORITY

Salary: Each member may receive a salary of not more than one-fifth of 2% of the gross rental receipts from veterans housing.

Duties: The Housing Authority is the agent for the Town in all public housing activities ranging from determining community needs for such housing to development and management.

Candidates were asked to limit responses to 300 words.

Question 1: How can Brookline serve its low income residents better as the housing affordability gap increases?

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates For Five Year Term

Vote For Not More Than One

Barbara Dugan (*) / 8 Walnut St

NO REPLY

Did you Know ...

Brookline got its own church, or meeting house, in 1717 with the formation of First Parish (now in its fourth building) on Warren Street. It remained the only church in town until the formation of the Baptist Church in Brookline Village in 1828.

▼ TOWN MEETING MEMBERS

Salary: Unpaid.

Duties: As the legislative body of Town government, Town Meeting Members vote on budget and capital items and must consider and vote on any changes in Town Bylaws, including those pertaining to zoning and administrative structure and procedure.

Candidates for Town Meeting were asked to limit their responses to 150 words.

Question 1: What are the critical issues in your precinct and/or the Town and how would you address them?

Question 2: Biographical data.

PRECINCT 1

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Deborah Brown (*) / 26 Parkman St

Attendance 8 of 11

1. COVID-19 requires the Town to be more responsive to resident's safety, while calling on Select Board to carefully manage the Town's limited resources. We will have to learn what we can fund and what we cannot. All of the Town's revenues will decline, including property tax revenues. Longstanding issues may become magnified like the need for more affordable housing, protecting our most vulnerable residents, supporting schools, helping small businesses and timely inspecting senior facilities. I will be reasoned and measured to address the issues.

2. Deborah Brown has been a Precinct I resident since 2001 and Town Meeting Member since 2019. She has promoted affordable housing, community engagement, racial justice and renaming the Coolidge Corner School. She has also been influential in reducing the size of the former Holiday Inn development; securing a posthumous BHS diploma for 16-year old WWI soldier; and helping vulnerable residents. She is an environmental attorney.

James F. Franco (*) / 126 Amory St

Attendance 21 of 21

1. The immediate focus for the Town and Town Meeting this spring is passing a balanced budget that maintains essential services - police, fire, public works, library, senior services, schools - and on considering the future use of the former Newbury College campus. Coronavirus has upended the Town's financial projections, and the fall Town Meeting will need to return to the budget to ensure it stays balanced (a legal requirement) and take up legislative proposals in the face of revenue uncertainty. I am committed to pushing back against institutional encroachment, maintaining our neighborhood parks and supporting quality municipal services.

2. Amory Street resident for over thirty years, married to Ellen, two children who graduated Lawrence School and Brookline High School. Vice-Chair of Brookline Democratic Town Committee, Board Member of Friends of Hall's Pond and member of Precinct One Coalition.

Bettina Neufeind (*) / 20 Amory St

Attendance 17 of 21

1. I use my voice to raise up issues around race and LGBTQ+, cycling and pedestrian safety, climate action and public health for all who live, work, or pass through our Town. I am thinking about:

- youth, educational, and environmental justice;
- fair fiscal planning;
- reckoning structural and institutional racism and privilege.

2. A proud immigrant, I have lived in Brookline since 2009 with my partner and three Lawrence/BHS kids. An attorney at the Trauma and Learning Policy Initiative, I fight for equitable access to education. Previously, I worked toward fair housing and mental health at Bay Area Legal Aid in Oakland, CA. At the Legal Services Center in JP, I advanced access to child nutrition and food literacy and founded the annual Lawrence Food Fest in 2012. I serve on the PSB Wellness Committee (since 2011) and Town Meeting (since 2013), and would be honored to continue serving you.

Katharine Silbaugh (*) / 68 Amory St

Attendance 20 of 21

1. Precinct 1 is dense, diverse, and high-traffic. I'm committed to preservation and expansion of green spaces, buildings, and transportation; high quality schools; affordable housing; equity, diversity, and inclusion; youth health/welfare; accessible/responsive government; community engagement; respect among neighborhoods; developing revenue sources that align with community welfare; COVID deficit; exploring shift to mayoral leadership/city government.

2. Ten year engaged town meeting member, working hard to represent the needs and perspective of this precinct in town deliberations. I attend countless committee meetings and stay informed. I am Professor of Law, Boston University. Scholar of gender, families, and youth and the institutions that shape them, including: marriage, schools, employers, housing, zoning, universities, civic and government institutions. Parent of 3. Current Brookline Education Foundation BOO and 6-year Director. Former School Council Co-Chair at Lawrence. Former Co-Chair of Extension and Challenge Support for BPS townwide. Committee that established BPS anti-bullying policy.

Susan Helms Daley (New) / 17 Chatham Circle

1. I am passionate about addressing the existential threat of climate change. I also want all people who live, work, visit and study here to feel welcome and safe. To these and all issues, I will bring a sense of fiscal

responsibility, balancing the wonderful benefits our community provides with the real burden of rising property taxes. In light of the Brookline Fiscal Advisory Committee's recommendations and the Coronavirus tragedy, we will have some difficult belt-tightening in our future, but we also have incredible resources due to our creative, resilient, insightful residents.

2. MBA, MEM, 19-year Brookline resident, Brookline Schools parent, Executive Committee Member and Docent at Emerald Necklace Conservancy, Mothers Out Front Leadership Team Member, Member of Brookline's Sustainable Transportation Working Group, Keynote Speaker at Brookline Historical Society and Friends of Hall's Pond Annual Meetings on the topic of Brookline native and unsung eco-heroine Harriett Hemenway.

Anthony Ishak (New) / 131 Freeman St

1. Cost of living and sustainability. We have a lot of density owing to our great schools. We need to find methods to make sure we are efficient with financial and natural resources for our long-term financial and environmental health. As we head into a recession we need to stabilize our LOCAL businesses and grow our commercial tax base to help with balancing property taxes and potential loss of income from parking and taxes during the pandemic. We have a variety of residents in our town and it will be vital to make sure we are addressing any financial and health disparities that are occurring while making living here a reasonable option for ALL.

2. 13 year Precinct 1 resident, pharmacist/bicyclist/condo dweller/volunteer/activist, Brookline for Everyone endorsed. Primary proponent for flavoredtobacco ("vaping") sale ban in 2019.

Did you know...

Women won the right to vote with the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution in 1920. Prior to that, women in Brookline voted only in school board elections.

PRECINCT 2

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Benjamin Hellerstein (*) / 83 Browne St

Attendance 15 of 21

I believe the biggest issue facing us is to create a more sustainable Brookline. During my time on Town Meeting so far, I'm proud to have supported efforts to reduce waste, increase walking and biking, decrease the use of fossil fuels, encourage transit-accessible development, and protect our open spaces. But there is more to be done on all of these fronts. Brookline should aim to be the greenest community we can be.

2. I am running for re-election to Town Meeting to ensure that the voices of the younger generation are heard in important decisions affecting the future of Brookline. I first got involved in politics as a college student in Minnesota, running a successful campaign to increase bike lanes and sidewalks. I moved to Massachusetts seven years ago, shortly after graduating from college. Since then, I have worked for nonprofits advocating for environmental protection and other progressive issues.

Diana Lees Spiegel (*) / 39 Stetson St

Attendance 17 of 21

1. The most urgent issue facing Brookline and Precinct 2 will be how to deal with the extraordinary and ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. In particular, a structural deficit (partly due to increased student enrollment) will be exacerbated by unprecedented reduced revenues (up to \$30 million due to Covid-19). We must fund essential town services - public safety, public education, public health, public works, while seeking additional sources of revenue, and/or making painful cutbacks, along with solving new societal problems resulting from the continuing pandemic.

2. Resident since 1978, TMM since 1994, parent of two Devotion and BHS graduates. Active interest in zoning, and adequate funding for excellent public schools, public safety, libraries, and parks. Former co-chair of Brookline Neighborhood Alliance promoting greater involvement of neighborhood associations. Board Member of: BNA, North Brookline Neighborhood Association, CPSA, TMM Association, Brookline PAX. Endorsed by PAX.

Stanley L. Spiegel (*) / 39 Stetson St

Attendance 15 of 21

1. The most critical issue the Town faces is a revenue shortfall of possibly \$30 million due to Coronavirus. We will have to reduce expenditures, protecting the core functions of this (or any other) municipality: public safety, public education, public health and public works. My priorities are a budget that preserves police officers, firefighters, teachers, and assures that our streets and sidewalks are maintained, trash is collected, water is safe to drink and sewage is safely removed. There are other worthy functions that our budget has supported and there are new initiatives worth considering, but during the present budgetary crisis, we need to focus first on our core responsibilities as a town.

2. Resident since 1978; TMM since 1981; former Advisory Committee member for 33 years, dealing with the budget, bylaw changes and zoning proposals. I intend to continue as a community activist working to preserve Brookline as a great town.

(Precinct 2 continues)

Susan Kay Park (New) / 27 James St

1. At the moment there are many needs in town with the pandemic in full swing. As a TMM I will work hard at being available to my constituents to represent their concerns. We have seen information changing weekly, and I will help to address the needs of my precinct/town as needs come up. For example, I worked hard as a co-petitioner to get the warrant passed that mitigated the negative impact of marijuana dispensaries in Brookline.

2. I served on the organizing team of a first ever Districtwide Maker Day. I am a Brookline Girl Scout troop leader (4 years), and have been a Sunday School teacher (20+ years.) As a contributing writer for the Brookline Tab, I cover a variety of stories of importance to the community. I volunteer at CCS in a variety of ways.

See: <https://muckrack.com/susan-park> for some of Susan's articles

PRECINCT 2

Candidates For One Year Term

Vote For Not More Than One

NO CANDIDATES

Did you Know ...

Beacon Street was laid out as narrow country lane, only 50 feet wide, in 1850-51. The area around it was mostly farmland with scattered houses. As late as the 1870s there were only 24 buildings along the length of Beacon Street in the town.

PRECINCT 3

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Kathryn M. Becker (*) / 83 Stearns Rd

Attendance 21 of 21

1. Managing development in a way that will make our community more affordable and inclusive while preserving the qualities that make Brookline unique; guaranteeing that traditionally marginalized voices are always heard; sustaining the physical and mental health of our neighbors and the economic health of our neighborhoods through the COVID-19 pandemic. I'm especially interested in finding new ways for residents to get involved and engaged in Town government.

2. I grew up near Detroit and put down roots in Brookline thirteen years ago. I'm a mother of two children, one in preschool and one at Lawrence. I'm a science writer, and spent seven years as editorial researcher with the NOVA documentary series. At WGBH I also served as steward and secretary of AEEF-CWA Local 1300. For more:

facebook.com/beckerbrookline

Mary D. Dewart (*) / 90 Toxteth St

Attendance 18 of 21

1. We need clear, visionary and responsive planning and policies for the town and neighborhoods. We need accurate information and new workable scenarios for public health, sustainable climate, transportation, the economy, and town services including parks and education. We need to connect and collaborate, ask good questions, cultivate leadership and envision and implement a sustainable and equitable future. Building strong neighborhoods and businesses and an accountable, responsive town government are key to resilience.

2. Since moving to Brookline in 1978, I have worked toward an informed and forward thinking town and neighborhood with the following organizations: Brookline Commission for the Arts, Brookline Community Foundation, Brookline Park and Recreation Commission, Brookline GreenSpace Alliance, Climate Action Brookline, Friends of Lawrence Park and as a Town Meeting Member since 1991.

Murray Dewart (*) / 90 Toxteth St

Attendance 18 of 21

1. Our town is facing an extraordinary challenge with budget shortfalls due to the pandemic impacting every aspect of our civic life. This will make demands on our town leadership in every possible way, as old disagreements across different neighborhoods will need to be tempered. The Advisory Committee, School Committee and Select Board will need to forge a new template for a compassionate and working consensus. This adversity will challenge us to stand and deliver what our core priorities are, as the lines form at the Food Pantry and the ambulances race across town.

2. Town Meeting Member for more than 30 years. Taught in the Brookline Schools. Co-founder Boston Sculptors with public projects in China, Israel, Peru and across the U.S.

Meggan Levene (*) / 131 Sewall Ave

Attendance 21 of 21

1. The most critical issues are the public health and fiscal health of Brookline. During this time of crisis, it's important to have elected officials with experience – who understand municipal finance, can navigate locally and can hit the ground running. This will allow us to be financially prudent without losing sight of vital town needs like affordable housing, great schools and a healthy environment. It's an honor to serve you – my neighbors. I hope I can count on your vote.

2. Meggan Levene has served on Town Meeting for 3 years. As a nonprofit executive and experienced coalition builder, Meggan has worked at the intersection of the public, private and nonprofit sectors. Meggan previously owned a small business. Also: Warren for President,

Emerge MA alum, Boston University grad, 2017 Override Study Committee (passed). Supports efforts to elect women. Endorsed by PAX and Brookline for Everyone. Learn more: megganlevene.com.

Michael A. Sandman (*) / 115 Sewall Ave

Attendance 21 of 21

1. We have many aspirations as a community – excellent schools, affordable housing, equity inclusion, support for sustainability, parks & open space. We don't have the financial means to give all of these objectives the same priority, so the most critical issue is how and what to prioritize. Since March, that issue has become more critical. We'll be missing an undefined amount of revenue, probably not less than \$15 million. We will have to re-think our priorities in light of the damage wrought by Covid-19 and allocate our resources accordingly.

2. Born in Worcester. Brookline resident since 1974. Married with two adult children. Had a career in manufacturing followed by a career in management consulting. Founding board member & chair of the Brookline Community Foundation; Transportation Board member & chair; Advisory Committee school subcommittee chair & currently Advisory Committee chair.

Eric Marquard Coles (New) / 93 Longwood Ave

1. The critical issue in Brookline is fairness – especially in education, housing, and economic opportunity. While racism, xenophobia, and oppression linger in our country, we must ensure that our community promotes justice and addresses these threats head-on, for everyone lucky enough to live here. I will address fairness in our schools by ensuring they are well-funded and allow each child to reach their full potential. I will address fairness in housing by advocating for policies that create more choices for all across the income spectrum and removes outdated, oppressive rules. Finally, I will address fairness in economic opportunity by pushing for more inclusionary and liberal policies that better reflect the progressive vision of Brookline that many of us share.

2. I live with my fiancé, Lauren, and our two dogs, Dillon and Maní on Longwood Avenue. Feel free say hi if you see us out on our daily walks.

PRECINCT 3

Candidates For One Year Term

Vote For Not More Than One

Jeffrey R. Benson (*) / 101 Stearns Rd

Attendance (6 of 6) (Caucus)

1. The critical issues intersect: equity, access, and safety. Working with others town meeting members in my precinct, we are developing guides and outreach processes to inform our neighbors about how to be up-to-date on town business, and how to advocate

for their needs; the more informed and diverse voices we hear, the greater wisdom we will have to make decisions.

2. I have lived in my home in Brookline for 24 years, where my children grew up and attended Brookline schools. I am a former teacher and principal, and now provide support to schools to be more successful with more students. I have coached youth soccer, organized the Lawrence Park Little Library project, and love being a town meeting member, contributing to this town that I am so grateful to live in.

PRECINCT 4

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Nadine Gerdts (*) / 56 Linden Place

Attendance 11 of 13

1. Town-wide and in Brookline Village particularly, critical issues are maintaining the structure and quality of our walkable neighborhood schools, advocating for zoning that is designed to reign in over-scaled development while supporting strategies for affordable housing and pushing for more coordinated efforts by town departments to build our networks of streets that support robust, healthy trees and safe, connected bike paths linking us to commercial areas and public transportation. Now more than ever, thinking globally while acting locally with creative and systemic strategies is essential to the future of our planet and of course, our town.

2. Brookline Village homeowner, 29 years; parent of Pierce School/ BHS high school alum; former Advisory Committee member; current Chair, Tree Planting Committee; appointed design professional for open space and park planning town design reviews; Faculty, RISD, Department of Landscape Architecture and Department of Teaching + Learning in Art + Design

<https://www.risd.edu/people/nadine-gerdts/>

Mariah C. Nobrega (*) / 33 Bowker St

Attendance 18 of 21

1. Critical issues: development, affordability, public education, environment. We should encourage smart development (residential and commercial) and rethink our zoning to enable creative solutions. Precinct 4 has one hotel and the Children's Hospital projects nearly complete, but not enough affordable housing. As we increase development, we must keep in mind that Precinct 4 is the hottest area in town and the most susceptible to flooding – we must ensure that development doesn't worsen environmental impacts. Further, Pierce needs renovation which will require increased taxes. Balancing these issues during a pandemic that has gutted our town revenue is complex.

2. Born and raised in Brookline, I and my husband Arthur have three children (at BHS, Pierce, and preschool). In addition to my town service (Town Meeting 2009-present; multiple committees including Advisory Committee 2015-2019, Commission for Diversity, Inclusion and Community Relations 2019-present), I am former Pierce PTO Treasurer and current co-president of BHS Alumni Association.

Marjorie Siegel (*) / 59 Linden St

Attendance 20 of 21

NO REPLY

Robert Volk (*) / 45 Linden St

Attendance 21 of 21

1. Our precinct faces the same issues as the rest of the town: the need for more affordable housing and a solution for the overcrowded schools. In particular, many parents in our neighborhood are anxious for the Pierce School project to go forward.

2. I have owned a two-family house on Linden Street in Brookline Village since 1993. Before that, I lived on Beacon Hill, I served as Chairman of the Beacon Hill Civic Association. In Brookline, I served on the Advisory Committee for a number of years. I also served on a task force studying benefits for LGBT town employees. I am a graduate of Boston University School of Law and have been on the faculty of BU Law since 1982, where I direct the Legal Writing and Appellate Advocacy Program.

Elizabeth P. (Liz) Linder (New) / 31 Station St

1. The pace of recent development - particularly within economically diverse Precinct 4 - has expanded opportunities for growth and increased tax revenues alongside steep increases in congestion and cost of living. These challenges affect different segments of the population unevenly, while Covid-19 will test the wellbeing of Brookline as a whole. Minimizing economic disruption and resulting hardships while planning a sustainable course requires fresh perspective and effective communication with the town's electorate.

2. As resident and owner of Liz Linder Photography in Brookline Village (www.lizlinder.com), Liz focuses on enriching creativity in education, culture, health, and environmental issues. As historic residence trustee, she implemented improvements increasing property values and works to mitigate the impact of neighborhood construction. Liz serves on the Kent Street Senior Affordable Housing Committee, has ties in adjacent business and cultural communities, and views sustainable growth through thoughtful design as an opportunity to enhance life in this community.

Vena Louise Priestly / 8 Juniper St

Attendance 7 of 10 (Caucus)

1. Social economical division. There is not a unity between the rich and the poor. We need more

inclusion of the minorities that make up this town. The construction on Boylston street cars are running red lights all the time it is clustered and unsafe.

2. 4th generation Brookline native! I am a mother of four children 3 are in Brookline public schools. One attends daycare here in Brookline. I love this town and am proud to be from this town! I currently work for Rise Reality as a real estate agent. I am very big on being the voice of those who are unheard. I myself grew up in poverty in Brookline housing. I understand the struggle of life and judgement. I currently live in an affordable condo in Brookline village. In closing I love this town with all my heart and I want everyone to be accounted for. We all make up Brookline

Christine H. Rossell (New) / 44 High St

1. A major problem for Precincts 4, 5, and 6 is the NETA marijuana dispensary's lack of on-site parking. The adjoining neighborhoods were overrun by customer parking and nuisance behavior until Town Meeting reduced NETA's hours of operation in October 2019. That policy must be continued and the issue of a reserve ahead system revisited.

Another critical issue is the lack of systematic planning for capital construction in the town. This is all the more important since the Coronavirus epidemic has undoubtedly damaged the town budget.

Also, Brookline, the most populous municipality in Massachusetts to have a town meeting form of government, should study the issue of becoming a city.

2. PhD University of Southern California, 1974. I am a recently retired Professor of Political Science, Boston University. My specialty is public policy and research methods. I have been analyzing public policy issues for a half century. See

<http://www.bu.edu/polisci/people/faculty-emeriti/rossell/>

Marissa Farland Vogt (New) / 12 Tabor Plac

1. One critical issue is the effect of COVID-19 and the resulting economic downturn on Town services, schools, residents, and local businesses. We must ensure the Town provides a strong social safety net for its most vulnerable residents and continues to actively support public health. Brookline needs to recommit to excellent schools while recovering from this interrupted school year. Long-term plans should involve expanding BEEP to provide pre-K at no cost to families. Brookline should be an affordable, welcoming community for residents of all backgrounds.

2. I am a research scientist in space physics at BU and have lived in Brookline with my husband since 2014. We have two children who will attend Pierce. I support progressive policies and am dedicated to transparency and accountability. Find me on twitter (@vogt4brookline) and go to <http://bit.ly/vogt4brookline> to read more about me and my positions on upcoming warrant articles. Proudly endorsed by Brookline for Everyone.

PRECINCT 5

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Cynthia Drake (*) / 32 Milton Rd

Attendance 16 of 16

1. Issues (within P5 and across Brookline) include (but are not limited to) : Schools (state of), Affordability (housing shortage, balanced development, alternative options, zoning), Climate Impact (green spaces, density, accessibility, accessibilty to alternatives to fossil fuel), Diversity and Inclusion (ethnic, economic). Over the past two years I have supported warrant articles that address these and other challenges. What I have also learned is that we as a town government need to think holistically on the consequences of our decision making (not single thread focused). This will be particularly important in the year(s) to come given the likely impact of COVID-19 on town revenue and by extension our ability to fund that which represents us as a community.

2. Resident since 1991. Spouse Jeff Browning, Daughter Morgan (Lincoln and BHS), Beya (a green dog). Volunteer experience - Lincoln Extended Day Board, 2XPumpkinfest Co-Chair, BHS 21st Century, GPNA Treasurer, Brookline Food Pantry

Wendy S. Machmuller (*) / 110 Walnut St

Attendance 21 of 21

1. As a Precinct 5 TMM for the past four years, I've advocated for mixed-use and transit-oriented development that respects the existing architectural character of Brookline's neighborhoods, including access to green space, prescribing to concepts of Complete Streets, sustainable design and historic-preservation guidelines.

As a Town employee, I've interfaced with the community on a broad range of public health initiatives, most recently the Town's COVID-related response.

Representing my neighborhood and Precinct 5, I've served on the River Road Study Committee, Boylston Street Visioning Committee, DAT for both the Hilton Hotel at 700 Brookline Avenue, and the mixed-use development at 20 Boylston Street, and have been the President of the High Street Hill Association for four years.

2. Growing up in Iowa, I've retained those quintessential "Midwestern values" while embracing New England's progressive policies. I am a humble roommate to two cats and my rescue dog Peaches, the unofficial Brookline Village mascot.

Hugh Mattison (*) / 209 Pond Ave

Attendance 21 of 21

1. 1) Completion of Gateway East construction. Served on the Riverway Road Study Committee which developed the the "Emerald Island" zoning. I lobbied for planting along Washington Street to mitigate the massing of the hotel and making the area more

walkable. I work in close coordination with Parks and Open Space Director and Town Arborist.

2) Completion of Newbury College transaction to ensure long-term financial benefit, possibly through acquisition by eminent domain.

3) Maintaining school quality while monitoring budget and seeking creative ways through technology to meet student needs and adhering to BFAC financial recommendations.

2. Retired with accounting and financial systems experience. Long-time member of Board of Directors of Brookline GreenSpace Alliance and Tree Planting Committee. Sponsored warrant articles dealing with design of Gateway East and tree lawn planting plans to enhance the Washington Street/Route 9 corridor. Assisted with High Street Hill Association COVID-19 mutual aid effort.

Erik F. Wurster (*) / 36 Glen Rd

Attendance 21 of 21

1. • 9th School – Brookline schools are crowded. We still need to find a solution to this.

• NETA – Appointment only remains a common sense solution to more effectively regulate this burgeoning industry in Brookline.

2. Erik is passionate about using private sector financing to solve pressing global problems. He is currently a Director at BioLite, a company that manufactures clean energy products for emerging markets. Prior to this he co-founded several companies in the clean energy sector, most recently UpEnergy, a company operating in Uganda. Erik holds a Master's degree in Public Policy from Harvard's Kennedy School and a B.A. in Environmental Science from the University of Colorado at Boulder. In 2015, Erik moved to the Pill Hill neighborhood of Brookline with his wife, son (4 years) and daughter (7 years) after living in Rwanda for several years. Erik has been a Town Meeting Member for P 05 for several years.

Bonnie M. Bastien (New) / 32 Oakland Rd

1. The most critical issue in Precinct 5 and across Brookline is inequity. This is the issue that spans all of the issues - schools, affordable housing, environmental issues, etc. I will prioritize what happens to people in public housing, to renters, and to elderly homeowners when writing policy. I will be pushing for affordable housing and supporting zoning change.

2. Bonnie Bastien has lived in Brookline for 15 years. Bastien is an independent producer of artist programs and projects in greater Boston and a criminal justice activist with the Massachusetts Bail Fund. Bastien lives in the Greater Point neighborhood with her husband and 6yr old daughter.

Michael A. Glover / 4 Franklin Court

Attendance 7 of 7 (Caucus)

1. Fiscal challenges will likely require the Town to make difficult choices in the coming years. Nevertheless, we

must ensure that we continue to provide for the critical needs of the Town, support our most vulnerable citizens and make decisions that best position the Town for the future. The Town should make every effort to support our schools; address lingering issues relative to diversity, equity and inclusion; responsibly increase affordable housing; and promote economic development.

2. I am an attorney at Northeastern University where my practice focuses on business operations and real estate. I served on the Brookline School Committee from 2014 to 2020, the 2014 Override Study Committee and the Newbury Campus Zoning Study Committee; and I currently serve on the Robinson Park Design Review Committee. My wife, Jessica Mols, and I have lived in Brookline since 2012. We have two daughters, both of whom attend the Lincoln School.

Shana M. Penna (New) / 111 Oakland Rd Extension

1. Affordability is problematic to renters like myself, we live in fear that we too will be priced out of Brookline. The Town needs to explore not only rent control, but also diversifying with more accessory dwellings and mixed use space. Our teachers do not have contracts, again. We keep losing great teachers, principals, and superintendents. Brookline is ripe with resources, we just need to unify and work together to ensure everyone benefits.

2. Shana Penna has been a Brookline resident for over a decade, raising two daughters in the community. She works part-time at Town Hall and started a couple of tech startups. She received her first patent last year. Her unique life experiences, a teen mom who served in the S Army National Guard (non-combat), ensure that she thinks differently. Shana received an MBA from the M.I.T. Sloan dual degree program at Tsinghua University in China.

Marianna Jisun Yang (New) / 150 Walnut St

1. These days, there is no more critical issue than how we implement a safe return to work and school. While the health and safety of each of us is paramount, we must also weigh the importance of economic and social sustainability. We must develop a clear outline of actions with corresponding outcomes that are both agile and creative. At this time, that means testing more, contact tracing and providing for necessary protective equipment – FOR EVERYONE. Let's look in on your neighbors, volunteer if you can, stay physically distant but close in our hearts and minds.

2. I am a mother of two, past co-president of the Pierce PTO, a mediator and lawyer. I serve as a clinical instructor at the Family Law and Domestic Violence clinic at Harvard Law School representing domestic violent victims in family law matters. I've been a resident of Brookline with my husband and children since 2014.

PRECINCT 6

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Catherine C. Anderson (*) / 106 Davis Ave
Attendance 19 of 21

1. Town Meeting decides the final yearly budget, we change zoning, we adopt policies on public health and safety, and we promote diversity and inclusion in our town. Fiscally, the recent revenue loss from hotels, retail marijuana, and meals taxes has added a hole for this year's budget ending June 30, and worse, we may have substantial cuts in state aid next year. Stark budget choices await, even if hoped-for federal aid materializes. Still, our schools must have the teachers and resources to maintain an excellent and equitable system for all children, with 21st century facilities (including -finally- Pierce). And I will continue to advocate for policies that reduce our local carbon footprint and our plastics use, and promote smart-growth housing and business development.

2. Legislative/Budget Director - State Sen. Cindy Creem (15 yrs.); MPA – Northeastern; 3 children, Pierce and BHS long ago; PAX endorsement.

Cher K. Duffield (*) / 40 Gardner Rd
Attendance 10 of 10

1. Brookline should strive to be a progressive leader while maintaining fiscal responsibility. We can be an environmental leader, maintain great schools, build strong transit alternatives, and nurture local businesses.

2. My husband and I have three kids at Pierce and one at BHS. I was Pierce's PTO cochair for 3 years and was a leader for the "Yes" campaigns for the two recent overrides supporting Driscoll. I currently work as a yoga instructor, and previously was a management consultant, nonprofit consultant and philanthropy advisor. I enjoy running marathons, including Boston, and am hiking all forty-eight 4,000 ft. mountains in New Hampshire. www.cherduffield.com/

Scott L. Englander (*) / 26 Elm St
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Global change begins at home; local action is even more critical to counter efforts by the Trump administration. More immediately, Brookline faces critical challenges and decisions. For example: Pierce School is overcrowded; key decisions regarding our school system are ever-present. 40B development pressures abound. We need ways to pay for / cost-effectively deliver community services we want and need, and keep aging-in-community feasible. Concerns over diversity and racism continue to trouble our community. COVID is testing us in ways we never faced before; we must find ways to mitigate the impact on those most vulnerable.

2. Resident since 1992; TMM since 2016; Transportation Board and liaison to PTAC 2013-2018; chaired Selectmen's Complete Streets Committee. Brookline schools parent. Occupation: President, Longwood Energy Group (longwoodenergy.com). Non-profit: Boards of Directors, Design Museum & LivableStreets Alliance. Education: M.S.E., Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering (Princeton). Other: Chair/founder, Environmental Commission, City of Lambertville NJ.

Kim Smith (*) / 22 Brington Rd
Attendance 20 of 21

1. COVID-19 upended our world. We face unprecedented challenges from the public health crisis, and its impact on residents, businesses, and projected Town revenues from state and local sources (room, meals, marijuana taxes, parking receipts). We face difficult choices to be made under uncertainty. Decisions should reflect our values, commitment to education and essential services, and concern for vulnerable populations, businesses and workers. Community engagement is key. For precinct 6, I support working with the MSBA to address overcrowded, substandard facilities at Pierce in fiscally and educationally responsible ways.

2. A resident for 30+ years and TMM since 2009, I am committed to Brookline, where I live with partner Dan Weiner. I have public health (Johns Hopkins) and social policy (Brandeis) backgrounds, and work at a state health agency. I serve on the Advisory Committee and Green Caucus. A Democratic activist, I have campaigned for issues and candidates.

Bryan D. Fuller (New) / 56 Harvard St

1. Precinct 6: The critical issue right now is to protect small businesses through the outbreak and further against large corporations taking over Brookline Village.

Addressing the Issue: Encourage real estate owners to work with local businesses to keep them afloat. Potentially loosen regulations to encourage possible sources of untapped revenue. Possible tax breaks or SBA loans to mitigate shortfalls.

2. An Army Veteran and CPA, Bryan Fuller holds a BA in Political Science and Government from UMass Amherst and an MBA from BU Questrom. In 2017, Bryan founded Power Rowing (<http://www.powerrowing.com>) on the belief that healthy communities begin with individual transformation. He organizes numerous charitable fundraising competitions, strengthening and promoting local economy through community service. A Progressive Democrat, Bryan envisions Brookline as a leader and change agent for equity and environmental issues.

PRECINCT 6

Candidates For Two Year Term

Vote For Not More Than One

Malcolm Coltrane Doldron / 83 Harvard St
Attendance 6 of 6 (Caucus)

1. Covid-19 has intensified socioeconomic disparities and exposed racial tensions that have existed in our community for generations. Access to affordable housing is central to these issues, and requires an integrated planning and development process approach, utilizing principles of Smart Growth, to support Affordable Housing AND small business development simultaneously. Identifying leaders of industry, policy, education, and services, spanning all economic, cultural, and age demographics, will be vital. Bringing diverse perspectives to the table is how we forge a Brookline that works for everyone.

2. A career educator, Malcolm moved to Boston in 2011, to become one of the only head coaches of color, in the sport of NCAA Division I Rowing. With over 25 years of experience developing successful programs and leaders, Malcolm is an exceptional collaborator, adept in working with multiple stakeholders. Currently a TMM in Precinct 6, Malcolm also serves on Brookline's Committee for Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Relations.

PRECINCT 6

Candidates For One Year Term

Vote For Not More Than One

Samuel P. Levine (New) / 15 White Place

1. Brookline is a great place to live, and it could be even better. It's hard to get everything we want as a Town without prioritizing our spending plans and exploring opportunities to expand the tax base beyond home owners. It will take a lot of work for Brookline to remain such a unique place to live, and I'd love to dig in and use my experience and expertise to help.

2. My wife and I have lived in Brookline Village since 1994, successfully launching our 3 kids (Pierce, BHS). I have an MBA and two Computer Science degrees from MIT. I led the Budget and Finance Committee at Temple Israel for several years. I'm currently the COO of a Brookline-based tech startup and have 30+ years' experience as a business and data analyst.

Did You know...

Representative Town Meeting. In 1916 Brookline became the first town in Massachusetts to change from an open town meeting in which any registered voter in attendance can participate in decisions to a representative town meeting in which voters elect Town Meeting Members to represent them in the town's legislative body.

PRECINCT 7

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Ernest A. Frey (*) / 423 Washington St
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Precinct 7 and adjacent precincts have been beset with the burgeoning growth of 40B and other developments, and I shall continue to raise awareness of specific projects with neighborhood newsletters. I support the recommendations of BFAC (Brookline Financial Advisory Committee) to strengthen Brookline's fiscal condition, crucial for continuing the town services and educational systems we expect. Transparency, critical to our democratic process, will be encouraged by better communication with as many residents as possible.

2. A resident of Brookline for about thirty years, with a greater interest in our government in the last ten, I have served nine years as Town Meeting Member. I am an elected officer of the Town Meeting Members Association (TMMA) and the Brookline League of Women Voters (LWV). I want Brookline citizens to understand the advantages of our representative Town Meeting form of government, and how they can easily learn what is happening in their town.

Mark A. Gray (*) / 31 Harris St
Attendance 18 of 21

1. The town's financial structural deficit and the budget adjustments required due to COVID-19 related revenue reductions are critical issues. These issues should utilize the BFAC report, its recommendations, and its evaluation of the town's financial condition.

We should prioritize additional commercial development which will generate increased nonresidential property tax revenue.

And we should increase affordable housing options beyond the limited stock from 40B to include mixed-use development in commercial districts that can yield affordable housing along with additional revenue from lower-level commercial space.

2. Raised in Brookline. Edward Devotion School, Brookline High School, BS Boston College, JD Boston College Law School, MDiv Boston University School of Theology.

Precinct 7 condo owner for 35+ years.

Former board member Brookline Historical Society, Former member Committee to Commemorate John Wilson, Current TMM

Kelly A. Hardebeck (*) / 18 Littell Rd
Attendance 9 of 21

1. Brookline still needs additional capacity in the schools to meet the growth in school population, faces a growing funding challenge and remains a target for

40B developments. These are complex issues that affect the character of our neighborhoods, the education of our children and the Town's budget. As a result of the global pandemic, Brookline will likely see a shortfall in revenue and will need to prioritize funding our efforts. We need to work together to solve the problems that face our community and set clear priorities. I will continue to advocate for new sources of revenue, the efficient use of existing funds and maintaining Brookline's reputation as a caring community.

2. Nonprofit technology professional
Brookline resident since 1993
Married with 2 children
Former Lawrence School PTO President
Former BHS PTO Board Member
Former Advisory Committee Member
Town Meeting Member since 2008

Mark E. Levy (*) / 61 Park St
Attendance 20 of 21

1. Housing costs and neighborhood-friendly development are perennial issues. This year, however, the impact of COVID-19 on town residents and the town budget are the top issues for Town Meeting. The pandemic has increased demand for town services while driving down town revenues. These effects are likely to last well into the coming fiscal year. Passing a balanced town budget is always hard. Passing one that compensates for lost revenue, yet protects our kid's education and responds to the new and ongoing needs of town residents, will demand Town Meeting's best effort.

2. Born and raised in Brookline; Brookline Schools K-12; B.A. Yale; M.A. Brown; longtime Town Meeting Member; former Chair, Housing Advisory Board; former Chair of Advisory Committee's Finance Subcommittee

Ilan Wapinski (*) / 48 Harris St
Attendance 18 of 21

1. Nearly every aspect of our lives will be impacted by the current pandemic. Issues that until recently were thought to be paramount will now be seen as luxuries. Brookline will require compassionate, evidence based and data driven decision making to navigate the most difficult challenges we face. As we address the changes ahead of us, and our priorities must always be to continue providing essential care for our most vulnerable citizens and an enriching environment for our future generations.

2. I have lived in the Boston area for seventeen years, the last nine of which have been here in Brookline. My partner and I are raising three children, the two older ones attend Pierce. I have a background in computer science and have worked in biotech since completing my PhD. I am passionate about applying scientific breakthroughs to improving the lives of people and the wellbeing of our planet.

PRECINCT 8

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Hadassah M. Margolis (*) / 24 Stedman St
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Precinct 8 grapples with unaffordable housing, inequality, climate change, and, especially, the new normal of COVID-19 affecting our entire social and economic infrastructure (Town revenue sources, remote learning for CCS students, food scarcity for families, and social distancing's isolative impact on seniors). Together we can look out for our neighbors; increase town-wide civic engagement; and promote inclusion, equity, and equality of all voices.

2. I am a social worker at McLean and Brandeis, and I bring people together to get things done. Since joining TM in 2017, I have founded Inspo:Expo Brookline, Welcome Blanket Brookline, Got Masks Brookline, Spirituality and Mental Health Discussion Group, Precinct 8 Google Group; co-founded InclusiveBrookline; and joined Brookline Commission for Women. I live in my childhood home on Stedman Street with my husband and daughter (fifth grader at CCS). My parents (including my father, Devo '57) live downstairs. Endorsed: Brookline for Everyone. See <https://hadassahmargolis.com/my-interests-outside-therapy/>

Robert M. Miller (*) / 19 Copley St
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Critical issues for Brookline and precinct 8 include: housing/development, schools, diversity and economic health. These are all dependant on each other. It is through planned growth that we will have the housing we need, the diversity we want, the schools we demand and a budget that will enable all of this.

2. I have been a science teacher at Heath School in Brookline for the past 17 years. My early career was as a marketing manager. I am the vice president of the Brookline Educators Union.

The health of the environment and our planet is the essential crisis of our time. I am a past president and current board member of Climate Action Brookline. I am an active member of the Green Caucus at Town Meeting, and a member of the Green Teams for Brookline Schools and Temple Sinai.

I look forward to representing Precinct 8 in our Town Government.

Maura Toomey (*) / 102 Crowninshield Rd
Attendance 20 of 21

1. Precinct 8 is currently faced with a myriad of issues: large commercial and residential developments, and lack of appropriate accommodations for all mobility uses, to name a few. All of these issues are a result of the never ending appeal of living in the Coolidge Corner area. In order to remain viable we need growth and change which comes at a cost....development and congested streets. Working together to listen to our community members to meet the needs of everyone

is essential. I think a comprehensive plan needs to be instituted to make Coolidge Corner a desirable, productive and viable commercial center.

2. I have lived in Brookline with my husband and 3 children (BHS graduates) since 2006. I work in Sales. Town Meeting member since 2008. Endorsed by PAX. Member, Minot Rose Garden, BNA, NBNA, Green Caucus, CC Study Committee.

Donald C. Weitzman (*) / 104 Babcock St
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Our immediate test is to endure, through Covid-19 and economic meltdown. And beyond are serious issues of schools, housing, climate change, racial and economic justice. But I am optimistic, because Brookline is a resourceful and compassionate community.

I look forward to being part of a progressive, caring, creative Town Meeting as we struggle with a new reality. We have some of the best human talent on the planet, ready to do some serious problem-solving. For now, stay safe, look out for one another, ask for help if you need it—there are lots of resources in Brookline and lots of neighbors ready to help.

2. Former: Select Board, Advisory Committee, GreenSpace Alliance. Former co-founder and officer: Town Meeting Members Association, Brookline Neighborhood Alliance. Current: Climate Action Brookline, Select Board's Climate Action Committee, Green Caucus, Brookline PAX. Former teacher, investor. Spouse Harriet Goldberg, songwriter. Daughter Lillian, Librarian, attended Runkle, BHS.

Amanda Zimmerman (New) / 51 John St

1. Brookline has an ever increasing housing affordability problem (for both low- and middle income households) that will only be worsened by the economic aftermath of the current pandemic. Housing affordability is an economic justice, racial justice, and climate change issue, and we have many tools in our arsenal we could use to address this, if we act with purpose and urgency (find out more at <http://www.brooklineforeveryone.com/>). Other critical issues include: combating climate change, making our streets less centered around cars and more centered around people, improving transit (trains AND buses) especially on our major corridors, and making our town government more representative of (and focused on the needs of) all town residents.

2. Amanda Zimmerman (she/her/hers) is a neuroscientist and biomedical engineer with a background in spinal cord injury research. She is a parent to an FRR kindergardener and a preschooler, and co-founder of Brookline for Everyone.

PRECINCT 9

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Paul E. Harris (*) / 111-B Centre St
Attendance 20 of 21

1. (1) Public Schools of Brookline: We need a shared 21st Century vision for pre-K to 12 to be implemented by a new highly experienced and competent superintendent.

(2) Affordable Housing and Racial Equity: Brookline has the resources to meet the basic needs of all residents. We need a vision, strategy, and plans to accomplish this.

(3) Climate Change: Brookline can move from our current reality to zero fossil fuels by 2050. This may require a Town Sustainability Department.

2. Town Meeting member since 2010. Volunteer at Devotion/Coolidge Corner/Florida Ruffin Ridley School teaching mindfulness and meditation to teachers and students. Wellness Committee of the Public Schools of Brookline. Led weekly seminar at 100 Centre St. from 2007 to 2018 helping elders create a vision for a flourishing world that is prosperous, peaceful, just, and sustainable. Co-founded Green Caucus (greencaucus.org) in 2011. Co-chair of Climate Action Brookline 2010-2012.

Barr A. Jozwicki (*) / 183 Winchester St
Attendance 18 of 21

1. We are blessed to have so many in Brookline who have worked to minimize the impact of Covid19. What Brookline needs is a logical and scientific approach to the human and economic problems that lay ahead. Our top priority has to be public health. What we do is dictated by the virus and our response. On 12/30/19 Taiwan's (23 million people) leadership, recognized the problem and scientifically and systematically dealt with it. (See Johns Hopkin's Covid 19 website on Taiwan) The result was @500 Covid19 cases and only 6 deaths. The Trump administration has reacted with a cacophony of blame, indecision, misdirection, and anger resulting in the catastrophe of over 70,000 deaths. The human loss is heartbreaking. Brookline also has to deal with a significant loss of revenue not only from unemployment, but from state, local and other sources. I'm up for the challenge.

2. 30 years TMM

Robert D. Lepson (*) / 36 Thorndike St
Attendance 21 of 21

1. As a second term Precinct 9 Town Meeting Member, I plan to continue my work on

- Promoting affording housing and sustainable development
- Fighting for racial and economic justice, especially during our current fiscal crisis
- Increasing accountability, transparency, and accessibility across all levels of town government

2. Precinct 9 resident since 1991 and Town Meeting Member since 2017. As a progressive voter and activist, proud to be endorsed by Brookline PAX and Brookline for Everyone. Member of Town Meeting's Green Caucus. Member of the Commission for Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Relations (CDICR) and the CDICR Fair Housing Committee. Member of

the Land Bank Study Committee and the Moderator's Committee on Elderly Tax Relief. Fee-only financial advisor and CFP® at Adviser Investments in Newton. Former youth baseball and basketball coach. Softball enthusiast playing in the Brookline Men's League since the early 1990s. B.A. Brandeis University. Married to Johanna Klein, MD.

Benjamin Kaufman / 17 Kenwood St
Attendance 10 of 11 (Caucus)

1. Brookline is dealing with a Public Health emergency, crowding schools, and shifting priorities. In Town Meeting, I focus largely on 3 things: An Educational system that supports and serves every student, a Transportation system that works for every mode of transit, and continuing to address Climate Change. Most importantly, I look at every issue through the lens of Social and Economic Justice. We must make sure that the most vulnerable people who live, work, and play in Brookline are supported by our Town, our community, and ourselves.

2. I have been serving as a Town Meeting member since 2019. I grew up in Newton, and moved to Brookline in 2018. Since March 2019, I have worked as Legislative Aide to State Representative Tommy Vitolo. As Rep Vitolo's sole staffer, I handle constituent services, communications, drafting legislation, and helping Rep Vitolo advocate for the people of Brookline at the State House.

Emma Pearl Payne (New) / 50 Russell St

1. My greatest concern with the town of Brookline is the lack of affordable elder housing. Our population is rapidly aging, and I would like to see the town respond appropriately. One other issue I have confronted is the lack of clear communication between the Town of Brookline government and its residents, be it renters, home-owners, or abutting businesses, especially in regards to approval of large-scale construction projects. I would push the town to investigate ways to leverage technology to span this gap.

2. My name is Emma Payne. I am 28 years old, currently living in the Coolidge Corner neighborhood of Brookline. I grew up in Brookline Village and attended Pierce School and Brookline High. I received my BFA in Sculpture from Massachusetts College of Art and Design. You may have seen "Steel Toe Shoes", a sculpture I created and installed on campus on the westbound side of Route 9, between Evan's Way and Longwood Avenue. I currently work as a manufacturer's representative in the commercial furniture industry.

Kevin Roberts (New) / 70 Centre St

1. The critical issues in Precinct 9 will be familiar to many. Our region faces a housing crisis and we have the opportunity to show that responsible development is possible. These decisions should only be made with significant community input, and must reflect Brookline's dedication to inclusivity. The COVID-19 pandemic has further emphasized the need to support our neighborhood's small businesses, which are essential to everyday life.

(Precinct 9 continues)

2. As a public policy analyst with the state legislature's Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy, I have extensive experience working with state and municipal leaders to solve complex problems and pave the way for a greener and more equitable future. My goal is to demonstrate that renters and young professionals share the same aspirations as our neighbors: prosperous schools, safe and uncongested neighborhoods, and high-quality public spaces that foster community. I am proud to be endorsed by Brookline PAX.

PRECINCT 10

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Francis G. Caro (*) / 1264 Beacon St
Attendance 20 of 21

1. Looking beyond recovery from the Covid-19 crisis, the Town should give concerted attention to the Beacon Street corridor. The corridor is vital to Brookline because it combines strong transportation, extensive commercial activity, dense residential development, and cultural resources. Management of residential development including more affordable housing is a key challenge in the corridor. I favor carefully planned changes in zoning to permit construction of more mixed-income housing. A particular interest is in improved walkability such as the addition of benches along sidewalks and improved lighting for pedestrians.

2. Brookline resident since 1988. Retired UMass Boston faculty member (Gerontology). Eighteen years in Town Meeting and seven years on Advisory Committee. Chair of BrooklineCAN Livable Community Committee, Co-chair of Brookline's Age Friendly City initiative, Chair of Pedestrian Lighting Committee, and member Pedestrian Advisory Committee. Also Co-President of Friends of Hall's Pond.

Jonathan H. Davis (*) / 125 Park St
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Developers want to change the zoning in Precinct 10, and nearby, by replacing commercial with reduced-cost but increased-profit high end housing (not affordable). Also in Pct. 10 a Boston slumlord wants to build a hotel conducive to human trafficking – even the Zoning Board recognizes the risk. Town wide, in the COVID era, I worry that with reduced tax revenues Town budgets will neglect funding retiree pension and other post-employment benefits – which will strangle future budgets. Also, I think the Town should rely on more “voluntary subscription” by generous donors (think the Kraft Field) to fund non-urgent capital projects.

2. Precinct 10 resident 39 years. Town Meeting member since 1999. Tax lawyer. Cosponsored successful pro-democracy Article in 2012. Led opposition in 2019 against Article that would have hollowed out Coolidge Corner commercial district. Persuaded Zoning Board

to require Boston slumlord to present hotel operating plans to Health, Police and Fire Depts.

Jonathan Klein (New) / 150 St. Paul St

1. While many issues require attention, my focus has been on affordable housing, which is essential retaining and increasing the diversity so many of us treasure in Brookline. Brookline needs more subsidized housing for low income households and more non-luxury housing for middle income households. I am a member of the Housing Advisory Board (HAB), a founder of Brookline Housing Justice, board member of Brookline for Everyone, and a leader of Building a Better Brookline (BaBB). I strongly support the real estate transfer tax dedicated to affordable housing, the proposed CPA warrant article, stronger inclusionary zoning, and allowing multifamily housing as a matter of right in transit corridors.

2. Retired affordable housing attorney, founder of Klein Hornig LLP and General Counsel of The Community Builders; current boards include Jewish Alliance for Law and Social Action (JALSA) and Jewish Community Relations Council; married with 2 children and 4 grandchildren.

Bruce D. Levin (New) / 20 Webster St

1. Precinct 10 has a commercial district, apartments, and stand-alone houses. Griggs Park is greenery in an otherwise urban area. We live in both urban and suburban milieus. We must balance commercial activity with the quality of residential life.

Lower emissions goals mandate that car use be discouraged. This will be feasible only if there are accessible bike paths, safe sidewalks, and reliable and affordable public transportation.

The “new normal” may include a painful recession. Accordingly, attempts to increase expenditures or raise taxes should be carefully scrutinized.

2. I have resided on Webster Street for over 25 years. I am the third generation of my family to have spent significant time living in Coolidge Corner. As a lawyer and businessman, I am familiar with many of the legal and financial issues which arise at Town Meeting, such as zoning, land use, employment law, civil rights, and budget matters.

Kimberly Elizabeth Loscalzo (New) /
1601 Beacon St

1. I hope to continue to help Brookline explore and improve our school space issues. I was part of the Building Brookline's Future campaign, and I intend to continue to help in the efforts to move forward with the Pierce renovation, as well as expanding capacity for South Brookline.

I also support affordable housing initiatives and would like to explore efforts to have more daycares and preschools accept vouchers across Brookline.

2. I have lived in Brookline for over 12 years and taught at a local Brookline preschool for several years. I have a daughter at the Driscoll school, along with a 1 year old son, and nanny for two young children.

Daniel J. Stone (New) / 22 Fairbanks St

1. When budgeting for our schools, high-quality education must be top priority. Cutting teacher positions and combining classes is the wrong way to save money. In my work as an educator, I've seen how cutting resources for education negatively impacts schools, which is why I'll advocate for the needs of students and teachers in Town Meeting.

I'm also focused on housing affordability. The cost of basic housing in Brookline is astronomical. As a renter, I worry I could be priced out of my apartment and the neighborhood I love. Prohibitively high rent tells working class people they're not welcome here—a problem Town Meeting needs to address.

2. I work as an editor for National Geographic Learning, creating educational materials for learners of English in the U.S. and abroad. I also teach ESL to adult learners of English at the YMCA International Learning Center in Boston.

PRECINCT 10

Candidates For One Year Term

Vote For Not More Than One

Frederick C. (Ted) Livingston /

1501 Beacon St Attendance 7 of 11 (Caucus)

1. The biggest challenge for Brookline is doing everything we should/want to do within the constraints of a tight budget. Setting priorities is hard, particularly in the structure of Town Meeting. But there needs to be a rigorous/effective process to do so. I am concerned that it does not currently exist.

2. 30-year resident of Brookline. Volunteer for numerous Brookline organizations. BA, Yale University; MBA Dartmouth College. 40-year business career, mostly in consumer marketing.

PRECINCT 11

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Boney Jones-Dasent (*) / 112 Lancaster Terr
Attendance 20 of 21

1. The overcrowding of schools affects all of Brookline and in my precinct the Driscoll school is of dire importance. I will support appropriate measures to ensure that education remain a top priority amidst this pandemic, and will carefully explore new measures to maintain the safety and well being of all our residents.

2. I was born and raised in Trinidad and am a naturalized citizen who understand the needs of the underprivileged and the downtrodden. I am a licensed clinical social worker, and a keen advocate for the elderly and the disabled. I have lived in Brookline for over ten years, and will continue to support affordable housing, education, and benefits that support our vulnerable population. I can be reached at 617 504 4418 , email boney.2015@gmail.com Thank you for your vote.

David J. Lowe (*) / 177 Mason Terrace
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Post-Pandemic, everything changes. Schools, housing, and climate, all remain urgent but acute health and community well-being is paramount now. We must look after each other. I favor community engagement for information exchange and coordinated action based on anticipated and realized local needs.

2. My professional and volunteer life is defined by community service, international and local sustainable development/adjustment, education, and conservation. My career has crossed and blended sectors, agency type, and disciplines. In Brookline, climate action drove my civic and elected engagement. Over 12 years, I've co-founded local climate initiatives, directing Climate Action Brookline for two years, still a Board Member. I am active in solar, and advise Jewish Climate Action Network (JCAN) and organize occasional educational events. I encourage everyone to plant spring food crops to reduce demand on national supply during recovery. After 10 years representing Precinct 11, I seek one last term.

Rebecca Plaut Mautner (*) / 12 York Terrace
Attendance 18 of 21

1. Prior to COVID-19, the critical issues specific to our precinct were the new Driscoll school and how cars, bikes and pedestrians share our roads. The critical town-wide issues included tackling institutional racism in schools and town government, housing affordability, and taking steps to reverse climate change. Budget challenges loomed. Now with COVID-19, we are facing public health challenges and enormous financial pressures. The fabric of our town, especially our commercial districts, will change. We need to find new ways to support the vibrant community life that characterizes Brookline. We will need to find ways to generate revenue so we can meet the needs of all of our residents.

2. Brookline resident - 13 years; TMM - 10 years; Driscoll parent - 9 years. Active in local synagogues, Girl Scouts, climate justice. Professional experience in the private and public sectors enables me to approach complex issues with progressive values and pragmatism.

A. Nicole McClelland (*) / 39 Jordan Rd
Attendance 19 of 20

1. Town government needs to be more accessible; we must engage residents and establish additional channels of communication between the town and the people of Brookline. We need data-informed decisions for our schools--both to solve overcrowding and inform our approach to curriculum.

For Precinct 11, the transition to a new Driscoll school must prioritize public process. I will continue to follow up on the long-promised traffic-calming measures for Summit Ave and work with the town to assess other areas of need, especially given future development at Corey Rd and Washington St.

2. Brookline resident since 2008; Town Meeting Member since 2017. My husband and I have one child, a rising Kindergartner. Co-petitioner on several warrant articles, including for a more representative Select Board. Communications Director for Build Brookline's Future, co-founder of Inclusive Brookline, acting Vice Chair of Brookline Commission for Women, founder of Corey Hill Neighbors group.

Nicholas B. Gertler / 49 Summit Ave
Attendance 9 of 11 (Caucus)

NO REPLY

Maryellen Moran (*) / 100 Winchester St
Attendance 13 of 21

1. I'm concerned that our current health crisis is going to destroy those few small businesses that have survived thus far through the "Manhattanization" of our town, threatening to overtake the town's character and charm.

But I'm hopeful that we will not be left stricken by debt and can take a hard look at our expenses and weigh them against our aspirations to adjust spending to within our means. The voters must decide if they have the financial appetite for a particular project and whether it's worthy of an increase in taxes or an override. In these uncertain times, we need to be fiscally responsible and proceed with caution.

2. A homeowner of Brookline for seventeen years and TMM for twelve. I am married, have an M.S. in Business Management, and work in the transportation (public) sector. I'm an artist and avid supporter of the arts (this counteracts the anguishes of politics).

Lisa F. Shatz (New) / 252 Summit Ave

1. Affordable housing tops the list of critical issues facing not just Brookline but the Greater Boston area. Annual production of new housing units has fallen to levels less than half of those of the 1970's causing soaring rents and housing prices. Brookline is off to a good start by passing the Real Estate Transfer Tax. In addition, Brookline and other towns in the area should join municipalities like Minneapolis and Seattle in easing zoning laws to build more multi-unit housing. Since much single-family zoning was part of Redlining--the practice of excluding African Americans from the better neighborhoods, easing zoning laws would not only address the housing shortage but also an historical injustice.

2. I am Chair and Professor of Electrical Engineering at the Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology, a school that provides hands-on technical education in high demand jobs to economically disadvantaged students from underserved communities in eastern Massachusetts.

PRECINCT 11

Candidates For One Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Two

David Bruce Krewinghaus (New)/
41 Westbourne Terr

1. In our precinct, the critical issues include the Driscoll project, residential development, and problems caused by the speed and volume of traffic on Beacon. Since this is a one-year term, I expect to spend my time learning the issues - as well as what our town is doing to address them - so I can stay involved after the term is over.

2. I moved to Brookline in 2015, and bike commute to my job as a web developer in Somerville. My spouse and I have two sons in Brookline schools. Before moving to town, I served as a precinct chair for ten years (in Minneapolis) and got involved in city affairs through my political party.

Nancy Ya Tsung (New) / 190 Lancaster Terrace

1. The most important issue is the education. I would like to see more vigorous math and science program and well rounded education. School should start a little bit of late everyday so kids have enough sleep and each school day should be longer. Due to pandemic, we can use some of the summer vacation to make up for it.

2. I came here from Taiwan to attend graduate school in 1970. I worked as a research technician at MIT from 1978-2000. Co-founded a medical laboratory with my husband in 1993 until it was sold in 2013. We moved to Brookline in 2018 from Lexington.

Anne L. Weaver (New) / 87 Mason Terrace

1. Precinct 11: • Monitor Driscoll School construction to keep it on time/within budget.

Town: • Brookline needs more affordable housing opportunities, including subsidized and market-rate options. 40b projects are not sufficient to address this problem.

- Increase transit alternatives in Brookline and upgrade walkways/curbcuts.

- Expand accountability in Town government through increasing public involvement in town decision-making; establishing a mechanism for recall of elected officials when/if needed; and mandated publicly recorded voting by all branches of town govt, including committee members.

- Strengthen equitable school opportunities for all students regardless of learning differences, economic status, race, ethnicity, gender, first language, or LGBT status.

I would address these issues through sponsorship in Town Meetings, listening to/working with local groups and advocates, and through my votes as a TMM.

2. Brookline resident since 2008; two kids in the Brookline Public Schools. Have actively participated in Town matters, including organizing a successful petition to improve Brookline's sanctuary city policies.

PRECINCT 12

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Stephanie A. Bruce (*) / 185 Rawson Rd
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Brookline's major challenges include our need for commercial development/revenue, lack of affordable housing, declining teacher morale and autonomy, and, of course, climate change. I have supported - and will continue to support- efforts to grow our local businesses, increase housing supply/density, refocus our school system's priorities to promote teacher autonomy and increase time devoted to science and social studies, and reduce our reliance on fossil fuels and single-use plastics. I think it is critical to set the agenda locally on climate change, even if it is inconvenient or costly, because we cannot afford the consequences of inaction, and because Brookline can influence changes across the state and across the country.

2. I have been a Brookline resident and homeowner since 2009. I am the parent of a Runkle third-grader and a 13-month old, a labor and employment attorney, and married to local business owner Ben Kelley. StephanieBruce12.com

Michael A. Burstein (*) / 50 Garrison Rd
Attendance 21 of 21

1. As I write this the most critical issue in the town is the response to COVID-19. I have been advocating for our town government to hold public online meetings and to pass the budget as quickly as possible.

2. Town Meeting Member since 2001; never missed a meeting. Library Trustee since 2004; board chair 2014-2016. Endorsed by PAX in all elections. Harvard College: A.B., Physics; Boston University: M.A., Physics. Brookline resident 1991-3, 1995-date. Teacher: Cambridge School of Weston, Rashi School; editor: Pearson K-12. Columnist: The Brookline Parent. Condominium owner in precinct 12 with twin daughters, age 10. Website <http://www.bursteinforbrookline.com>

Stefanie A. Greenfield (*) / 154 University Rd
Attendance 17 of 21

1. The effects of this pandemic as it relates to our local business community, our families with young children and our elderly who need support are our most critical needs. I will advocate now for our community and in time, to transition safely out of social distancing and returning to our new normal.

I support thoughtful and visionary growth in the town through careful design and planning. I will advocate for excellence in our schools, the highest quality of town services, and support of diversity and inclusion at all levels of town wide leadership. My watch list includes attracting and nurturing great teachers and leaders and

implementing best sustainable building and lifestyle practices for Brookline.

2. Architect, Principal, LEED AP, CambridgeSeven, member; AIA, BSA, Thesis Advisor, married to Mark Allen, two children; Engagement: Brookline High School, 100 Centre Street Hebrew Senior Life; Brookline-Xi'an China Exchange Program, Driscoll volunteer; TMM 12 (2007-present)

Casey A. Hatchett (*) / 84 University Rd
Attendance 15 of 21

1. The response and recovery to the COVID-19 crisis and the need to build stronger community in the wake of a divisive national climate. As a TMM who is also a Brookline Police Sergeant, I am heavily involved in the Town's response to and recovery from the current COVID-19 crisis. I will also continue to work to support our most vulnerable residents and to implement programs/events that celebrate the rich diversity of our community.

2. Brookline resident for 24 years, University Road homeowner with husband (Derek), three sons (Max, Alex and Dylan) and daughter (Madeline). Brookline Police Sergeant in the Community Service Division, Emergency Preparedness & CERT Coordinator. Assigned to COVID-19 Emergency Operations Center & BPD Task Force. BPD liaison to the Commission on Diversity, Inclusion and Community Relations. Past Co-Chair of the Women's Commission. Named 2013 Unsung Hero by the Brookline Community Foundation & 2016 Brookline Rotary Community Service Award Recipient.

Jonathan A. Karon (*) / 124 Winthrop Rd
Attendance 19 of 21

1. The coronavirus has changed everything. Obviously, job 1 is to keep Brookline residents healthy and safe. Prior to the outbreak, Brookline was already facing serious financial challenges to address school overcrowding and other urgent needs. Now, the economic devastation from the necessary shut down has upset our prior budget projections. We must work together to make sure that our residents are protected, our struggling small businesses are supported and that town decisions are made openly, fairly and wisely in these challenging times.

2. Homeowner; Trial Lawyer; Former Member of the Brookline School Committee and Advisory Committee (Chair Planning and Regulation and Public Safety Sub-Committees); Past President of the Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys; Elected Member of the Brookline Democratic Town Committee.

PRECINCT 13

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Miriam T. Aschkenasy (*) / 311 Dean Roa
Attendance 17 of 21

1. Schools are a critical issue, finding a balance between providing the best education for children affordably and equitably. Race equity is essential to consider. We need to push Brookline to evaluate our policies and practices as they relate to our desire to be antiracist. The economic stability of the town is crucial. We need to work collaboratively with town meeting, the public, unions, and town staff to find fair and realistic compromises.

2. Dr. Aschkenasy is a parent of two elementary school children, homeowner, and 20 year resident of Brookline. Miriam was president of the board for the Heath Extended Day program and is a member of the diversity parent advisory committee for the superintendent's office. She currently manages her daughter's Brookline soccer team, is an involved Heath School parent, and is politically active as a current town meeting member. You can learn more about her work here:

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/miriamaschkenasy/>

John Wellford Freeman (*) / 530 Clinton Rd
Attendance 19 of 21

1. Continued increases in school enrollment and resulting school costs will affect the town and the precinct, particularly as additional, dense, residential developments come on-line. I do not want middle income families to be priced out of the housing market, nor do I want the town to lose empty nest families. Both are valuable and contribute to our community. Brookline must continue to maintain high quality public education with small class sizes and outstanding programs. To achieve this balance we must be fiscally responsible in all areas, looking at both the costs and the benefits of each new proposal.

2. Town Meeting Member for ten years; Board Member, Metropolitan Waterworks Museum; Retired attorney specializing in intellectual property and in economic regulation; Parent of graduates of all levels of Brookline schools.

Werner Lohe (*) / 25 Salisbury Rd
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Sustainability is critical for Brookline's future. Sustainability is best thought of as a three-legged stool: economic, social, and environmental. Even before COVID-19, our Town's budget has under stress, and our financial situation will be more difficult once the pandemic ends. While public social networks are being strengthened by organizations like Mutual Aid Brookline, the needs of individuals and our community will be greater. And the time we have to address climate change will be shorter. We need creative approaches—such as the Community Preservation Act—to protect the environment, raise revenues, and strengthen private and public organizations that address needs such as social services and affordable housing.

2. Select Board's Climate Action Committee (co-chair), Brookline Conservation Commission, Climate Action Brookline (founding member), Brookline Conservation Land Trust, Solarize Brookline (co-chair), Salisbury Road-Corey Farm Neighborhood Association; former youth soccer coach; Yale College, University of Pennsylvania Law School; married, two children graduated BHS.

Barbara M. Senecal (*) / 345 Clinton Rd
Attendance 20 of 21

1. Trying to balance the needs of our residents with their ability to pay for all needs
And of course trying to assist in keeping our citizens safe from the Virus

2. Girls' Latin School, Mount Holyoke College, Boston College Law School, Practicing attorney . Six years as an elected member of the Brookline School Committee with two years as its Vice Chairman. Past chairman of the Fisher Hill Association. Many years as a board member of Brookline Mental Health. With husband Paul , long time resident of Precinct 13 with 3 children who all attended Brookline Public Schools from K-12. Member of committee that resolved the issue of replacement of the Circle Cinema site.

Gil Hoy (New) / 295 Reservoir Rd

1. We're living in unprecedented times. We must take all necessary steps to protect our citizens. This health crisis has put additional stress on already stretched Town and school budgets. I believe I can help. I was honored to serve as your Select Board Member for 12 years. That experience will be valuable in these trying times. I'd appreciate your vote.

2. Past Experience:
Brookline Select Board Member (4 terms)
Chair, Brookline Commercial Areas Committee
Chair, Brookline Commission for the Disabled
Chair, Brookline Library Renovation Project Oversight Committee
Chair, Brookline Cable Access TV Committee
Advisory Committee Member, Town Meeting Member
Personal: BHS Graduate (1973), Heath School (1969)
Boston University, B.A. Political Science; Georgetown University, M.A. Government; University of Virginia School of Law, J.D.
Married to Fran Hoy (36 Years)--Former Heath School PTO President
3 Children: Sarah, Charlton and Clifton, BHS and Heath School Graduates

Henry T. Winkelman (New) / 1724 Beacon St

1. The affordable housing crisis grows larger with each passing day. While my interest in affordable housing was initially and specifically focused on the tremendous need for more affordable senior housing (Q: Did you know that over 10,000 Baby-Boomers turn 65 every day?), I have since realized that it is really about making Brookline a better place for both

individuals and families to call home. We need to make this a priority at TM.

2. While I have never been a Town Meeting Member, I am active around TOWN. I serve on the Select-Board's Age-Friendly Cities Committee and the Brookline Commission on Disability, am a regular attendee of the Housing Advisory Board, and an active member of Brookline's Community Aging Network.

PRECINCT 13

Candidates For Two Year Term

Vote For Not More Than One

Richard (Dick) Benka (*) / 26 Circuit Rd

1. The financial reality of COVID-19: Two to three years of significantly reduced revenues before state aid to Brookline and local receipts recover; residents' income losses will constrain property tax increases. We must be prepared for real reductions in operating budgets and deferral of non-essential capital projects.

2. Former Selectman (2008-14). Chaired financial/land use committees (Zoning By-Law Committee; Efficiency Initiative Committee; Override Study Committee; Moderator's zoning committees; Davis Path Rezoning Committee); Member Committee on Town Organization and Structure. Retired partner, Foley Hoag LLP. Chief counsel to minority plaintiffs in federal Voting Rights Act case forcing Massachusetts House redistricting. 14 years as volunteer middle school math teacher/tutor, high school track coach in 94% Black and Latinx school. Recognized for "relentless commitment in upholding civil rights for Latinos in Massachusetts." Brookline Neighborhood Alliance, Brookline Preservation Commission awards (with Carla). Harvard College (Economics), Kennedy School of Government Masters in Public Policy, Harvard Law School.

PRECINCT 14

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Paula K. Friedman (*) / 170 Hyslop Rd
Attendance 12 of 16

1. My concerns include making housing affordable for all Brookline residents, providing more green and open space, maintaining excellent schools, and developing more commercial enterprise to support our tax base. Best use of Newbury campus.

2. I have lived in Brookline for almost 40 years with my husband Dr. Emanuel Friedman and sons Daniel, Eric and Jeff. My sons attended Brookline schools. I have been actively involved in the Town for two decades. My activities include serving on the Council on Aging, the Brookline Senior Center Advisory Committee, the

Zoning Bylaw Monitoring Committee, the Zoning Bylaw Committee, President of the Fisher Hill Association, member of the Green Caucus, member of the Committees that considered utilization of the two Fisher Hill Reservoirs, and Co-Chair of the Brookline Neighborhood Alliance. I have served as a Town Meeting Member for 15 years. I ask for your vote.

Fred Levitan (*) / 1731 Beacon St
Attendance 20 of 21

1. The most critical issue facing the Town is the loss of revenue caused by COVID-19. We are losing revenues from meals taxes, hotel taxes, marijuana excise taxes and impact fees, parking meter revenue, etc. State Aid will be reduced causing further revenue reductions. These reductions will cause pressure on the Town's budget and our schools, not seen since the creation of Proposition 2.5 in the early 1980's. The Town is already facing deficits that will cause a tightening of available funds for all Town services. How Brookline handles these shortfalls is critical.

2. Real estate consultant; married to Andrea Colby; 4th generation Brookline resident; active in Brookline politics since the early 1980's including long-time Town Meeting member in precincts 12 and 14; former member and Chair Brookline Rent Control Board, former member and Chair Brookline Transportation Board, current member Brookline Advisory Committee (Capital Sub-committee); also served on numerous Brookline committees.

Roger R. Lipson (*) / 622 Chestnut Hill Ave
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Articles related to Welltower's purchase of the Newbury College campus, if approved, will allow the Town to obtain property tax revenue from a site previously tax exempt while providing the Town the opportunity to acquire land and existing buildings for future use and development.

There is a need to develop more affordable housing in Brookline, enabling seniors and young families to reside in Brookline. The Town should increase the number of affordable units required of developers under current inclusionary zoning by-laws.

2. Homeowner, attorney, former Advisory Committee member, past president of Brookline Chamber of Commerce and Brookline Rotary Club, president of Brookline Improvement Coalition, Inc., a nonprofit community development corporation providing affordable housing to qualified low income residents, founding member and volunteer attorney at the Senior Center for the Brookline Legal Assistance Bureau, providing free legal assistance to seniors, Newbury Zoning Study Committee. LL.M (tax law), B.U. Law School.

(Precinct 14 continues)

Sharon R. Schoffmann (*) / 6 Eliot Crescent
Attendance 20 of 21

1. Issues facing Precinct 14 and the town are lack of affordable housing, high taxes and a town budget in need of close scrutiny and revision. The corona virus crisis has added more urgency and difficulty to these issues. We must limit expensive land purchases and development to avoid additional tax overrides when our citizens are already burdened by high fixed costs and possibly extended unemployment.

2. After a 35-year career as a pianist and teacher, I changed my career to become a Certified Financial Planner®. My experiences as a teacher, school parent and Financial Planner give me a broad perspective on the educational needs of our children and the financial needs of our town.

I have lived in Brookline for 26 years and reside with my husband and daughter, who attended BPS for K-12 and now attends college. Also, I serve as the Treasurer of the Settlement Neighborhood Association.

Isaac Silberberg (*) / 1789 Beacon St
Attendance 18 of 21

1. Isaac is committed to making sure that our interconnected neighborhoods, schools, transportation infrastructure, and economic development strategies to support local businesses advance together and support each other. In particular, he is interested in encouraging transit-oriented development to increase workforce housing and opportunities for Brookline residents to age in community while supporting local businesses and increasing our tax base and bolstering our fiscal health.

2. Isaac is a Brookline Town Meeting Member and proud alumnus of Brookline's Public Schools. In Town Meeting, Isaac has been a leader on sustainability and education, advocating for future school construction to be free of fossil fuel systems. Isaac's professional experience spans the private, government, and non-profit sectors. He currently works as a consultant advising companies and organizations on negotiation, and volunteers as a big brother for Jewish Big Brother Big Sister of Greater Boston.

Arthur I. Segel (New) / 118 Dean Rd

1. Recently served as a member of the Brookline Fiscal Advisory Committee making recommendations on budget/accounting/finance/economic development. On a similar committee for the Town in 1994 and feel these are serious issues to address.

2. Attended Brookline Schools as did my 4 children with a grandchild beginning this Fall. Cofounder of the BHS Innovation Fund (1998); soccer coach for 17 years. Life trustee Temple Israel/Trustee BSO.

Professionally, worked for Governor Dukakis in budgeting/finance in his first administration. Last 25 years-a Professor of Management Practice/Baker Foundation Scholar at Harvard Business School in the

finance/entrepreneurial units and also teach at Harvard College. My expertise is on affordable housing, cities, design, real estate accounting/tax/valuation/development, negotiations, infrastructure. Recently completed three years as a student at the Harvard Divinity School.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sami Zelkha (New) / 228 Dean Rd

1. We are entering into a difficult economic climate where revenue shortfalls might not support the current level of services. Town Meeting and all Town Departments should adopt the recommendations of the Brookline Fiscal Advisory Committee (BFAC). The BFAC recommendations will put us on a prudent, metrics-based path toward sustainable financial stewardship. We should strive for a balanced budget by expanding town revenues in a way that does not hurt our residents. I support residential tax deferrals and increased exemption levels for seniors, the disabled, and the unemployed. Revenue growth should come through commercial expansion in urban parts of town.

2. I am an immigrant who came to Brookline as a child. I am a graduate of Brookline High School. I received my bachelors and masters degrees from Boston University. I obtained my DDS degree from Howard University. I am a practicing dentist at a suburban clinic.

PRECINCT 14

Candidates For Two Year Term

Vote For Not More Than One

Carlos Mateo Ridruejo (New) / 16 Holland Rd

1. We need to work towards a more affordable Town of Brookline for all its residents. Transparency in our government is important. The more we all participate, the better it is for our town.

2. Registered Architect. Brookline resident since 2005. Current Runkle School parent. Member of the Advisory Committee: chair of the Sustainability Subcommittee and member of the Planning and Regulation Subcommittee. Member of the Newbury Zoning Committee. Officer of the Fisher Hill Association Board of Directors.

PRECINCT 15

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

John L. Hall (*) / 85 Sears Rd

Attendance 14 of 21

1. Home ownership expenses and very high real estate taxes.

Brookline to run town as economically as possible.

Work on making Town employee benefits more affordable.

Encourage development where appropriate to gain tax revenue.

2. Long time Town Meeting member
Brookline resident for over 60 years
President of Suffolk Downs and Hall Properties, Inc
Director of Brookline Bank
Former Chair of Board at Park School
5 Children

Kristine L. Knauf (*) / 630 Hammond St
Attendance 20 of 21

1. Critical issues of Precinct 15 and townwide are Affordable Housing and efforts to maintain our middle class. I am committed to preservation of open spaces that goes hand in hand with climate change. I will support warrant articles that promote affordable housing and efforts to minimize our carbon footprint. As a member of the Green Caucus, I continue to learn about articles that will impact the environment and will preserve our open spaces in Precinct 15 and townwide.

2. Live Precinct 15 for 17 years also Precinct 6.
RN (semi-retired) and PoliSci BS
Brookline Constable 2019
Son BSP K-12

David Arenas Pearlman (*) / 25 Goddard Circle
Attendance 21 of 21

1. Major challenges include funding school and town services at levels that allow us to enhance services without sacrificing the economic security of vulnerable residents on fixed incomes. I support implementing Brookline Fiscal Advisory Committee recommendations and passing Warrant Articles that will provide relief to such residents. I also look forward to further collaboration with town leaders and local neighborhoods on efforts to facilitate revenue expansion by incentivizing commercial growth in urban corridors. Precinct 15 is home to multiple parks and open space. I am committed to improving natural recreational resources, preserving open space, and expanding conservation holdings.

2. I am seeking a third term as TMM. I was elected to School Committee in 2018. I serve on the Climate Action Committee and the Brookline Fiscal Advisory Committee. I attended the Brookline Public Schools K-12, Brandeis University (BA), Boston University (JD). I am a child welfare attorney.

James C. Rourke, Jr. (*) / 679 Hammond St
Attendance 11 of 21

1. Money or the lack of it is the most important issue in my precinct as it is for the rest of the town. The Town is experiencing a crushing financial short fall. The paradigm we have used in the past to create a budget and fund it is no longer practical or feasible. I don't believe there is an appetite for an override(s). Business as usual no longer exists. We will be required to seek new solutions for our current problems. Doing more with less is our new credo.

2. Retired teacher. Married to Carol
Two children and one grandchild, who occupies the center of my world..
BA English Lit. Univ of Massachusetts Amherst
Masters in Education Eastern Nazarene College
Hobbies: taking naps, driving my wife crazy, and challenging the status quo.

Michael Berger (New) / 112 Wolcott Rd

1. The Town is facing extraordinary financial pressures, especially in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, that threaten continued support of our social programs. I favor town projects that create new revenue, such as the Welltower/Newbury College project, that also respect our open space and neighborhoods.

2. Brookline resident since 1977. TMM Pcts 15/16 for 29 years. Founder of the Brookline GreenSpace Alliance, Park and Recreation Commissioner 1992 to 1998, Advisory Committee 1998 – 2008. Currently board member of Climate Action Brookline and Selectmans' Climate Action Committee. Professor of Chemistry at Simmons University.

PRECINCT 16

Candidates For Three Year Term

Vote For Not More Than Five

Michael Harrington (*) / 135 Beverly Rd

Attendance 15 of 16

1. The most critical issue Brookline must address is the impact of COVID-19. We face significant economic decisions resulting from the pandemic, and those decisions will have repercussions for years to come. Development will be part of the solution, but growth, including the expansion of Hancock Village, should be done in a reasonable and smart way considering the impact on the surrounding neighborhoods. I am concerned about the numerous tax overrides that the Town has been placing in front of voters and want to make sure that we are fiscally responsible in a way that benefits Brookline as a whole.

2. Six-year resident. Son of a public school teacher. Graduate of public schools. My husband and I have two boys who previously attended the Baker School. Prior to becoming a stay-at-home dad in 2017, I was an in-house attorney at State Street Bank. B.A. Williams College, J.D. Boston College Law School.

Julie A. Jette (*) / 93 Payson Rd

Attendance 20 of 21

1. The COVID-19 pandemic will force the town to reexamine its priorities, but we must remain committed to educational excellence and equal access for all our students, services that equitably support all residents, and fiscal responsibility. We must also better balance the demands for development with the quality of life of current residents. I support the goals defined by BFAC to improve our town's financial tracking and planning.

2. I am a 14-year resident of Brookline completing my first term as a TMM. Mother of two elementary-school students at Baker school working full-time in communications at a local university. I have been active in several override and other campaigns in Brookline.

Judith Leichtner (*) / 121 Beverly Rd

Attendance 15 of 21

1. Financial challenges for both the Town and schools, solving the school enrollment issues, monitoring the 40b projects at Hancock Village

2. Town Meeting member 12 years; President Baker PTO; Chair Baker School Council; executive committee-BHS PTO; resident since 1973, husband Alan; 2 children- graduates of Brookline public schools

Nathan I. Shpritz (*) / 44 Payson Rd

Attendance 20 of 21

1. COVID-19 creates an enormous number fiscal issues – we will face choices among services we desire that we have not needed to face in some time. Schools and enrollment remain concerns as does town management allowing the ongoing expansion of Hancock Village without first addressing gas piping beneath Russett. As Hancock Village grows, Baker School will become much more congested and we have to fight for a solution to overcrowding in South Brookline. I believe that when this current stay at home order is relaxed, we should gather at the Library and discuss our concerns for this corner of town.

2. I have been a Town Meeting member for three years; I have campaigned for the last overrides, and I was a member of BFAC – the committee formed to address a structural deficit in Town forcing us into a cycle of overrides every three years.

Timothy C. Sullivan (*) / 318 Allandale Rd

Attendance 12 of 21

NO REPLY

Did you Know ...

Both William Dawes and the British relief column led by Lord Percy passed through Brookline on their way to Lexington on April 18, 1775. Brookline men, including three enslaved African-Americans, took part in the fight against the British as they retreated through Cambridge later that day.

Did you know...

Coolidge Corner takes its name from the Coolidge & Brother store that opened at the corner of Harvard and Beacon Streets in 1857. A general store and neighborhood gathering place, it was the only business in North Brookline for more than 30 years.

Voter Turnout in Previous Town Elections

	Registered	Voter	
Year	Voters	Turnout	Percent
2019	37,179	9,808	26.3
2018	36,368	8,124	22.3
2017	36,155	5,873	16.2
2016	36,677	2,287	6.2
2015	35,118	10,473	29.8
2014	39,007	4,247	10.9
2013	32,855	8,682	26.4
2012	37,445	3,011	8.0
2011	35,859	2,815	7.8
2010	35,036	3,548	10.1
2009	33,515	3,612	10.8
2008	28,853	9,799	28.8
2007	38,814	3,467	8.9
2006	37,349	4,709	12.6
2005	36,550	5,032	13.8
2004	33,132	5,595	16.9
2003	33,488	6,294	18.8
2002	32,951	7,203	21.9
2001	35,603	3,963	11.1
2000	31,570	5,800	18.4

Notes:

2019, 2018, 2015 - Overrides on the ballot
2013 - Special primary on the ballot
2016, 2012, 2008, 2004, 2000
- Presidential primary years

Did you Know ...

Brookline's town seal, adopted in 1848, shows agricultural and farming implements and a view of the city of Boston in the distance with a train of cars running between the two places. It was intended, according to then Town Clerk Artemas Newall, to be "emblematical of the character of the Town from its early settlement... to the present time."

Massachusetts Voters Bill of Rights

The Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Massachusetts League of Women Voters, in a joint enterprise, created the following voters' bill of rights. These rights are guaranteed to qualified registered voters.

- 1. You have the right to vote if you are a qualified registered voter.
- 2. You have the right to cast your ballot in a manner that ensures privacy. You have the right to vote without any person trying to influence your vote and to vote in a booth that prevents others from watching you mark your ballot.
- 3. You have the right to remain in the voting booth for five minutes if there are other voters waiting and for ten minutes if there are no other voters waiting.
- 4. You have the right to receive up to two replacement ballots if you make a mistake and spoil your ballot.
- 5. You have the right to request assistance when voting from a poll worker or anyone of your choice, except your employer or an officer of your union or their representatives.
- 6. You have the right to vote if you are disabled. The polling place must be accessible, and there must be an accessible voting booth.
- 7. You have the right to vote if you cannot read or write or cannot read or write English.
- 8. You have the right to vote but must show identification if: you are a first-time voter who registered to vote by mail and did not submit identification with the voter registration form; or your name is on the inactive voter list; or your vote is being challenged; or if requested by a poll worker. Acceptable forms of identification are: Massachusetts driver's license, other printed documentation containing your name and address such as a recent utility bill, rent receipt on landlord's letterhead, lease, or a copy of a voter registration acknowledgment or receipt.

- 9. You have the right to vote by absentee ballot if: you will be absent from your city or town on Election Day; or if you have a physical disability that prevents your voting at the polling place; or if you cannot vote at the polls due to religious belief.
- 10. You have the right to cast a provisional ballot if you believe you are a qualified registered voter but a poll worker tells you that you are ineligible to vote.
- 11. You have the right to follow up any challenge to your right to vote through the complaint process.
- 12. You have the right to vote if you are not currently incarcerated for a felony conviction and have registered as a voter after your release.
- 13. You have the right to take this Voters' Bill of Rights or any other papers, including a sample ballot, voter guide or campaign material, into the voting booth with you. Please remember to remove all papers when you leave the booth.
- 14. You have the right to vote at your polling place any time between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. for state and federal elections—hours may vary for local elections. If you are in line at your polling place when the polls close at 8 p.m., you have the right to vote.
- 15. You have the right to bring your children into the voting booth with you. If you feel that your right to vote has been violated in any way, call the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Elections Division at 1-800-462-VOTE (8683). This call is free within Massachusetts.

Library. While not the first public library in Massachusetts, it was the first to be organized under May 1851 state legislation allowing communities to tax themselves for such purposes. In a vote at the March 30, 1857 Town Meeting, the citizens of Brookline established a free library. Among the prominent patrons and advocates of this institution at the time were William I. Bowditch, an abolitionist and Underground Railroad conductor; Frederick Hedge, a Unitarian minister; Edward Atkinson, businessman, abolitionist and inventor of the Aladdin oven; James S. Whitney, president of Metro Steamship Company; and Amos A. Lawrence, abolitionist and industrialist. In honor of benefactor John L. Gardner, the Art and Music Room was named Gardner Hall.

Some Programs and Issues the Brookline League is working on:

Voter Services

- Voter registration and information tables set up at various events around Brookline.
- How to Run for Office - (booklet and/or program) for Brookline Town Elections.
 - Forum and Information Sessions (3) on the Tax Override and Debt Exclusion on the May, 2015 Ballot.
 - Voter's Guide Publication for Annual Brookline Town Elections
 - Begin planning to educate voters about early voting.

Land Use

- Voted by members as a priority for the Brookline League in 2015-2016
- Hosted Affordable Housing Forum
- Planning for programs concerning land use is currently underway. Issues to be considered include the schools, open space, affordable housing and density zoning.

Climate Change

- Information Table during Brookline Climate Change Week
- Request to LWVUS asking that it be a priority in the upcoming two years.

Other

- LWVB website with Information and Featuring Upcoming Events
- Second Fridays - Monthly Discussion at Paneras - various topics
- Opening Meeting (with speaker) - Sept. 2018
- Warrant Article Reviews for Town Meeting
- Money In Politics - LWVUS Study - Consensus Meeting and Results Sent to LWVUS (December and January 2016)

- Day on the Hill - February, 2016 Program of LWVMA and Luncheon of LWVB members with our Legislators to lobby them on issues of concern to the League.
- Annual Meeting (with speaker) - June 2018

LWVMA issues:

- Charter Schools in Massachusetts
- See LWVMA web site for other issues and more information: lwvma.org/

LWVUS issues:

- Climate Change
- Fair Criminal Code Enforcement
- See LWVUS web site for other issues and more information: lwv.org

What roles can you play?

It's up to you to...

...Work to ensure the voting rights of every American. Urge citizen participation in the electoral process,

... Act as a deputy registrar, monitor the polls, or help present candidate debates and forums.

...Join a committee and take part in gathering the facts for one of the League's insightful reports.

...Or help the League be more effective at local, state, and national levels by adding your name to the list of members.

2nd Friday

Join us at Anatolia in Brookline Village on the 2nd Friday of each month for coffee and conversation about issues that interest you.

For information on membership and future events, email us at

league@lwvbrookline.org

Or visit our website:

www.lwvbrookline.org

617-566-3238

Massachusetts Voters Bill of Responsibilities

1. It is your responsibility to register to vote at least 20 days before an election. You can register in one of the following locations: at a voter registration drive, your city or town hall, by mail, at the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Office (Boston, Fall River or Springfield), at the Registry of Motor Vehicles or another agency when applying for services.

2. It is your responsibility to fill out the voter registration form truthfully, accurately and completely.

3. It is your responsibility to return the annual local census form to keep your voter status active. If you are an inactive voter, you will be required to show ID at the polls.

4. It is your responsibility to re-register to vote if you move to another community.

5. It is your responsibility to notify your city or town hall if there are any changes in your address within your community or in your name or if you wish to change your political party enrollment.

6. It is your responsibility to re-register to vote if you were convicted of a felony and have completed your jail sentence.

7. It is your responsibility to bring acceptable identification to the polls if you are a first time voter and failed to provide your driver's license number or the last four digits of your social security number with your voter registration form, or if you did provide these numbers, but they could not be verified. Your voter acknowledgement will state if you have to bring ID to the polls. If you are unsure, bring identification when you vote. Identification must include your name and current address, for example: a current and valid driver's license, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check, or other government document.

8. It is your responsibility to know the hours and location of your polling place. Contact your city or town clerk, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, or the League of Women Voter of Massachusetts.

9. It is your responsibility to request an absentee ballot if you are unable to vote in person on Election Day and are eligible to do so. You are eligible to vote by absentee ballot in Massachusetts if you will be absent from your city or town on Election Day, have a physical disability that prevents your voting at the polling place or cannot vote at the polls due to religious beliefs. You must request an absentee ballot by noon the day before Election Day and return it by the time the polls close on Election Day (a different deadline applies to those overseas).

10. It is your responsibility to check your ballot for accuracy before casting it. If you make a mistake on your ballot, ask a poll worker for a replacement. If you spoil the second ballot, you can ask for a third, which is your final ballot and will be counted.

11. It is your responsibility to ask for assistance at the polling place if you need it. You can seek help from any person of your choice, including poll workers.

12. It is your responsibility to respect the privacy of other voters.

13. It is your responsibility to refrain from campaigning or influencing other voters within 150 feet of the polling place.

14. It is your responsibility to report problems to a poll worker or to report election law violations to your city or town hall and/or the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The League of Women Voters encourages all voters to be informed about the candidates and issues in all elections.

If you have any questions, please call your local city or town clerk or the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Elections Division at 1-800-462-VOTE (8683). This call is free within Massachusetts.

To fulfill your civic duties, exercise your right to vote in all elections responsibly and know your rights as a voter.

Prepared by the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts, October 2006

The Brookline Town Election will be held on Tuesday, June 9th.

Offices to be Elected: Select Board, Trustees of the Public Library, School Committee, Housing Authority and Town Meeting Members

The deadline to register to vote for this election is May 29th at 8 pm.

Please vote by mail-in ballot.
It will help protect you and others from COVID-19.

To receive a mail-in ballot you **MUST** send a **SIGNED** (in ink) application, letter, fax or e-mail to the Town Clerk's Office requesting an Early Voting Ballot or an Absentee Ballot. Either one will work for this election.

To send an e-mail to the Town Clerk: TownClerk@brooklinema.gov

Town Clerk's web site: <https://www.brooklinema.gov/131/Town-Clerk>

All ballots must be received by the Town Clerk's Office by June 9th.

BE SURE YOUR BALLOT IS COUNTED.

MAIL IT IN EARLY!

For those voting in person the polls will be open from NOON until 8 pm.
Some polling locations have changed. Check your location on the front page.

Am I Registered to Vote in this Election?

Is my Address Correct?

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