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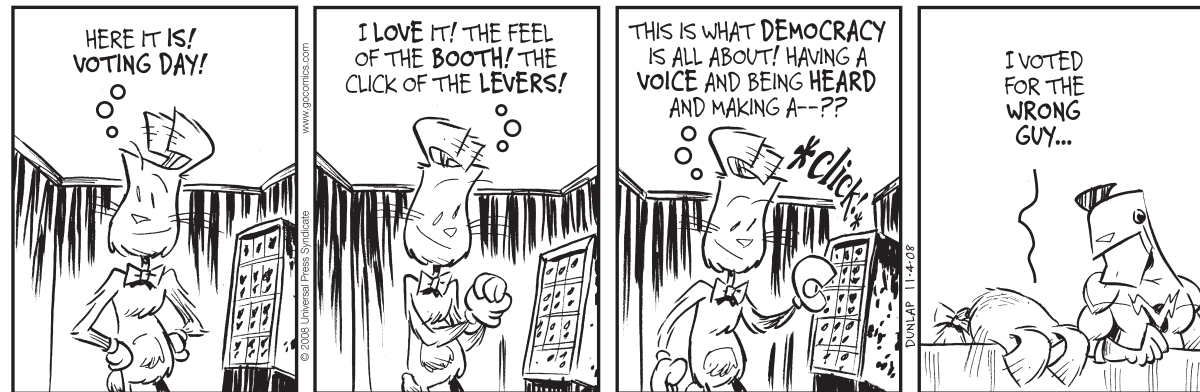
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- Precinct 1** Wheelock College, 43 Hawes St. (Monmouth Street entrance)
- Precinct 2** Coolidge Corner Library, 31 Pleasant St.
- Precinct 3** Theresa Morse Apartments, 90 Longwood Ave.
- Precinct 4** Lynch Recreation Center, 609 Brookline Ave.
- Precinct 5** (New) Lincoln School, 19 Kennard Road
- Precinct 6** Brookline High School Schluntz Gymnasium, 115 Greenough St.
- Precinct 7** Arthur O'Shea House, 61 Park St.
- Precinct 8** Devotion School Gymnasium, 345 Harvard St., Stedman Street entrance
- Precinct 9** Senior Center, 93 Winchester St.
- Precinct 10** John W. Kickham Apartments, 100 Harvard St.
- Precinct 11** Driscoll School, New gymnasium, Washington Street entrance
- Precinct 12** Runkle School gymnasium, Clinton Road entrance
- Precinct 13** Runkle School gymnasium, Clinton Road entrance

- Precinct 14** Heath School gymnasium, 100 Eliot St.
- Precinct 15** Fire Station #6, 962 Hammond St.
- Precinct 16** Putterham Library, 959 West Roxbury Parkway

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Candidates for town-wide office were asked to limit their responses to 200 words.

▼ TOWN CLERK

Salary: Range \$80,577 - \$94,917

Duties: The Town Clerk is responsible for keeping a wide range of records such as deeds, voting lists, election records, vital statistics, mortgages, business ownerships, licenses, etc. The clerk is responsible for the legal conduct of elections, care for voting machines, preparation of sample machine ballots, training of election workers, and reporting results to the Secretary of State. The clerk records attendance proceedings and votes at Town Meeting.

Question 1: In order to encourage voter participation, would you support: 1. Early Voting? 2. Mail in voting? 3. Email Voting? Other?

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates for 5 Year Term Vote for One

Patrick J. Ward / 12 Edwin Street

1. Election-day registration, early voting, unrestricted absentee voting and email voting are several methods that would eliminate the cultural, socio-economic and institutional barriers that inhibit voter participation. Each of these methods, however, will require significant changes in the Massachusetts State Constitution and in state law. Additionally, these methods carry a significant price tag in terms of personnel and service related costs. I support legislation, endorsed by the Massachusetts Town Clerks Association and various public interest groups, calling for the adoption of an Election Law Task Force that will study these various methods of voting and which will focus on state and local costs of implementation; increased Central Voter Registry availability; administration requirements; fraud possibility; and compatibility with existing election laws.

2. Town Clerk: 1994-Present; Registrar of Voters: 1985-Present (Chairman: 1990-1994); Assistant Town Clerk: 1985-1994; Legislative Director, Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth: 1984-1985; Admitted to Massachusetts and Federal Bars 2002; J.D., New England School of Law; B.A., Boston College; Central Voter Registry Design Selection Committee 1994-1995; Massachusetts State HAVA Committee: 2003-Present; Massachusetts Town Clerks Association: 1994-Present, (Executive Board: 2005-2008, Legislative Committee 1998 - Present); Married to Jennifer Rose Ward

▼ 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.

Question 1: How will you manage to keep the standard

of Brookline public housing up to code and safe without adequate funding?

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates for 5 Year Term Vote for One

Joanne M. Sullivan / 63 Longwood Avenue, Apt. 6

1. I look forward to working with the Housing Authority commissioners and the Housing Authority staff to ensure that funds are spent in the best way possible. An important role of the Board of Commissioners is to advocate and partner with Federal, State and Town officials to make sure that we are adequately funded so that both our residents and properties are safe.

2. Brookline homeowner since 1997, Town Meeting Member Pct. 3 since 2002, vice president of government and community relations at Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston since 1999. Board member, Women's Lunch Place, Boston. Mass. Women's Political Caucus PAC. M.A. in Public Policy & Management, University of Maine, B.A. in Comparative Literature, Yale. Strong background in affordable housing and human services, committed to safe, decent and affordable housing and vibrancy and diversity of Brookline's neighborhoods.

▼ TOWN MODERATOR

Salary: Unpaid

Duties: The Moderator sets the order of the Agenda and presides over Town Meeting. The Moderator also appoints members of the Advisory Committee, the Committee on Organization and Structure and any other ad hoc committees authorized by Town Meeting.

Question 1: What criteria do you use when you make appointments to committees and how would you broaden participation?

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates for 3 Year Term Vote for One

Edward (Sandy) Gadsby / 60 Glen Road, Unit 204

1. Depends on the committee. For Audit Committee, I look for financial and accounting expertise. For CTOS, I seek candidates with deep and long-standing involvement in and experience with Town governance. For Advisory Committee (my principal appointing responsibility), there are by-law requirements that must be met; in applying these, and in addition to them, I try to achieve diversity of all kinds, especially political, and to staff the Committee with citizens who have expertise in areas, such as architecture, planning, finance and law, that are relevant to the issues with which the Committee deals. Finally, for Moderator's Committees, I generally appoint the principal proponent of the article that gave rise to the committee, one or two TMMs who have expressed a strong desire to serve, a Town official who deals with the subject matter, and additional members who have relevant professional expertise. Given the large pool of

highly qualified and educated TMMs, I have never been concerned about having to "broaden participation" in the committees for which I have appointing authority.

2. Professional: lawyer, Foley Hoag LLP, Boston; Civic: Advisory Committee -14 years; Town Moderator -15 years; Education: Amherst College; Harvard Law School; Brookline resident and homeowner -40 years

▼ BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Salary: Chairman -\$3,500 per annum.

Other members -\$2,500 per annum.

Duties: The Selectmen carry out the votes of Town Meeting; review the annual budget for bonds and notes for the borrowing of money; appoint certain department heads, assistants, advisors, boards and committees; serve as a licensing board and as the police and fire commissioners; represent the Town before the General Court in all regional and metropolitan affairs; and enforce the Town Bylaws and regulations.

Question 1: The newly released report of the Efficiency Initiative Committee is recommending the privatization of additional town services. What is your opinion of their recommendation?

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Two

Betsy DeWitt / 94 Upland Road

1. The EIC actually recommended that the Town continue many currently combined in-house/contracted services, and that, in some areas (waste collection, street sweeping, vehicle maintenance, parking ticket administration), proposals for contracted services should be solicited for evaluation. As the portion of employee benefits: health, pensions, retiree health for town and schools, and unemployment compensation has grown from 10% to almost 25% of the Town budget, we must balance our ability to sustain service levels with the fully loaded cost of those services. Getting proposals for services is a way of benchmarking performance. Having the flexibility to allocate personnel in house by task priority is also important, as is the extra effort and pride Town employees bring to their work. In the end, each case must be considered on its own merits. Therefore, in cases where there is both improvement in services and financial benefit, contracting must be considered among possible alternatives.

2. Selectwoman 3 years. Resident 33 years, Pct. 5 TMM 22 years. Two sons BHS graduates, now PhD candidates. Past-President Lincoln School PTO. Advisory Committee Chair, 1994-98, member 10 years. Member, Town Committee on Organization & Structure. Retired Executive Director, Brookline Community Foundation. Past President, Brookline Improvement Coalition (affordable housing developer).

Kenneth M. Goldstein / 111 Holland Road / (New)

1. The Efficiency Committee under Selectman Benka did a remarkably comprehensive job of evaluating Town

government for savings opportunities. Many recommendations are being or will likely be adopted. They recommend the solicitation of bids to evaluate the privatization of four town functions which are not currently outsourced: waste collection, street sweeping, vehicle maintenance and parking fine administration. I support further evaluation of these privatization opportunities. However, caution should be exercised. Town employees are a valuable resource who afford the town flexibility and dedication which contractors may not match. Also, I worry that savings which are realized in the first years of contracts may not be available upon renewal. The advantage will need to be obvious before we should make any irreversible change.

2. I'm a lifelong resident and product of the Brookline schools. My wife and I have two daughters at Runkle School. My Brookline law practice, Goldstein & Herndon, represents a range of local clients including tenants, homeowners and businesses. I've served on the Planning Board for approximately fifteen years, the last five as Chairman. I've served on other Town boards and committees including HAB, zoning committees, DATs and hiring search committees. I've been a Town Meeting Member for five years.

▼ SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Salary: Unpaid.

Duties: The School Committee has the power to select and terminate the Superintendent of Schools; shall approve and review budgets for public education; shall 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.

Question 1: Since fixed costs for maintaining buildings, contractual obligations to professional and non-professional staff, and support of mandated programs account for the major portion of the School Committee budget, please discuss specifically where you would support cuts in the remaining discretionary spending in relation to: 1) personnel—cut positions, negotiate benefit changes; 2) programs—cut complete programs, cut programs partially; 3) class size—let class size rise, alter the individual school district lines, add portable class rooms, other.

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Three

Ira C. Chan / 55 Welland Road

1. With the current economy, it is no surprise that Brookline's Schools are facing difficult fiscal challenges. We have had to consider and make cuts in many areas of programming and staffing. Our approach has been to limit personnel cuts and work with staff to find efficiencies and develop effective reorganization so that our schools and services remain strong. We have involved administration within each of the individual schools to help with difficult decisions, and plan to allow flexibility

in restoring cuts if future funding allows. If we could negotiate less expensive health insurance it would go a long way in allowing us to preserve a great school system and retain our excellent teachers and administrators. Even in difficult fiscal times, my goals would be to make every effort to maintain class sizes, especially in the early grades. Additionally, I would try to avoid completely eliminating the programs that enrich our schools.

2. School Committee member since 2003; currently Vice-Chair. Physician at South Cove Community Health Center, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, and Milton Hospital Assistant Clinical Professor, Harvard Medical School. My wife Teresa, and I have two children, a 6th grader at Baker School and a 10th grader at BHS

Elizabeth Childs / 157 Walnut Street / (New)

1. Our first focus should be on reducing administrative expenses wherever possible. Brookline would achieve town-wide savings by joining the Group Insurance Commission (GIC) for health insurance. Reduction in teaching personnel should be considered in areas where enrollment is declining. We should tap citizen volunteers for positions such as library assistants. Consolidation of Special Education coordinators at each school would improve continuity and cross learning. Programs that do not meet educational and curriculum standards should be eliminated. I do not support the reductions in Steps to Success and math and literacy specialists because of my commitment to narrow the achievement gap among our students. I do not support increasing class size at K-8. Programs must be re-tooled to reflect best practices.

2. Twenty-year Brookline resident, married to retired Navy veteran, with a first and third grader at Lincoln School. Mount Holyoke College (1982); University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, M.D. (1986); Harvard Kennedy School, M.P.A. (2008). Former Mass Mental Health Commissioner—oversaw \$1.2 billion public mental health system. Member of state Board of Early Education and Care. Member of National Institute of Mental Health Advisory Committee. Board-certified child/adolescent and adult psychiatrist. Recognized national leader in public system innovation and quality improvement.

Judy Meyers / 75 Clinton Road

1. There is no easy way to make cuts, which is why I, along with my colleagues on the School Committee, have been working very hard to ensure that any cuts we do make preserve the integrity of the affected programs and services as much as possible. Assuming an equitable delivery of essential services, I strongly favor setting aside funds for each individual school to use in support of its own School Improvement Plan, rather than mandating specific cuts across the board. Going forward, we will need to direct our limited resources to those programs that advance the stated goals in our recently completed Strategic Plan without duplicating services. Our increasing capacity to collect and analyze data will assist us in this effort. Finally, the Town must have the ability, through collective bargaining or otherwise, to

control employee health care costs. Otherwise, we will be revisiting the issue of how and where to make cuts year after year.

2. Attorney; married to Mark Pasternack; two children (Runkle/BHS graduates). School Committee member since 2000 (Chair 2006-2008); Co-Chair of 2008 Override Campaign. TMM (Precinct 12) since 1994. Member of Congregation Kehillath Israel (previously served as trustee and Vice President).

Barbara C. Scotto (New) / 26 Crowninshield Road

1. If Brookline is to remain a premier school district, cutting the school budget must be done thoughtfully. Currently, the budget doesn't have much fat, and significant cuts will affect real estate values. Since cuts may have to be made in this economic climate, I would first preserve direct services to children. With that in mind, I would do the following: look at flexible buffer zones since raising class sizes above 25 affects student learning; consider eliminating under-utilized programs and classes as enrollment changes; develop more special education programs locally to provide competitive services for students now in expensive out-of-district placements.; continue negotiations with the BEU about joining the GIC; make school buildings energy-efficient; evaluate non-mandated transportation costs; seek alternative sources of funding for indirect services such as curriculum development and in-service education

2. Teacher at Driscoll (1981-2006) and Baker (spring 1981); Librarian at BEEP (1973-1978); Library Assistant at Driscoll (1978-1981); Winner of Brookline Foundation's Caverly Award for Excellence in Teaching (2002); Instructor in Education at Simmons College; TMM (Pct. 8 and 2) since 1973; 2 children who graduated from Devotion and BHS; M.A. and M.S., Simmons College; M.Ed., Johns Hopkins; B.A. Wilson College

▼ TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Salary: Unpaid.

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

Question 1: In view of likely reduction in state aid, what are your budget priorities—books? staff? hours? other? Be specific.

Question 2: Biographical data.

Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Four

Carol Axelrod / 323 Clark Road

1. Services are dependent on staffing. Accordingly, staff is my first priority. We have been lucky in that we have not lost staff recently, so we don't have to worry about leaving any positions unfilled any time soon. Maintaining staff means we should be able to maintain hours as they are now for the foreseeable future. Materials are more expendable especially since we have such a thorough inter-library loan system. The town is more depen-

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dent on the library now than any time in the recent past so it is imperative that we maintain services. We expect that the new RFID technology will help us to do that.

2. Brookline resident and homeowner since 1984. Town meeting member 1994 through 2005. Library Trustee since 2000; chair since 2007. Two children graduated from Runkle and BHS. Psychotherapist and career counselor at Rasi Associates, Copley Square since 1988. Currently also Director of the Access Coalition of six small Massachusetts colleges sharing best practices serving significant populations of minority, low-income and first generation college students. Married to Ed DeFranceschi, attorney. Two grown sons.

Vivien E. Goldman / 19 Conant Road

1. My first priorities would be to maintain our current staff levels and hours of library opening. The library's mission is to provide the Brookline community with excellent library service. In my opinion, this means having responsive and courteous staff, and providing access to the library for as many hours during the week as possible. Through modern technology and library systems that enable us to access materials electronically and to borrow books and other media from our regional partners, we can supplement to some extent what may be lost in our books/materials budget. We will make every effort to keep staffing and hours of operation at our current levels.

2. During my six years as Library Trustee, I organized and chaired the *Picturing Brookline* program celebrating our town's tercentenary through photographs, and participated in long-range planning and programming. Am currently on the fiscal committee which organizes the disbursement of Romanow Fund monies for library staff to attend graduate courses at Simmons College. I am also active in the Digital Commonwealth, Massachusetts's digital library project and have been working with our librarians in getting Brookline's archival photographs into the DigiComm portal.

Regina A. Healy / 10 Griggs Terrace

1. With a reduction in state aid, all expenses need to be carefully evaluated. The library has a very well trained bare bones staff. To cut staff would impact all services and, of course, the staff members themselves. I think staff cutting would be an absolutely last resort, after all other cost-cutting possibilities have been examined, including whether some periodicals may be available more cheaply online.

2. Undergraduate degree in Business Administration; Practicing lawyer for 38 years; parent of three children who attended Brookline public schools; grandparent of two Runkle school students; Brookline resident since 1976

Edith W. Sperber / 21 Lowell Road

1. In order to maintain our excellent service to the community, staffing would be the last place I would cut. Unfortunately, we would have to cut from our materials budget (books, videos, CDs, etc.) followed by library hours. During this process we must remain mindful of

the regulations for state certification in order for our library to function.

2. I have lived in Brookline for 39 years with my husband, Dr. Robert Sperber, former Superintendent of the Brookline Public Schools. Our three children attended the Pierce School and Brookline High School. I was Coordinator of Libraries for the Lincoln Public Schools. TMM, Precinct 6; Secretary of the Library Board of Trustees; a life Trustee of Temple Israel and former chair of committee to form Frances Jacobson Early Childhood Center; former Alumni Trustee of Wheelock College and former President of Wheelock Alumni Association.

▼ 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.

Question 1: do you support the proposed pay-as-you-throw trash management program? Why?

Question 2: biographical data.

Candidates for town meeting were asked to limit their responses to 100 words.

PRECINCT 1 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Peter J. Ames / 90 Ivy street / (New)

1. When I started serving on the committee to study PAYT, I was opposed, thinking it would be just another additional fee. After studying all the evidence, I now favor it because numerous studies prove that PAYT significantly increases recycling and reduces trash. If the flat fee is reduced from \$200 to \$160, as proposed, and one uses only one 75 cents trash bag a week, the cost will be the same and there will be a lot more recycling.

2. BA and JD from Harvard, 30 year resident of Brookline, both sons graduated from BHS, lifelong career in nonprofits and former president of TMMA.

Cathleen C. Cavell / 27 Monmouth Court

Attendance 18 of 18

1. I support PAYT because it is fair, promotes recycling and cuts Town costs.

2. A graduate of Radcliffe College, Wesleyan University and Boston University Law School. Forty year resident of Precinct One. I served the Town 1977-1989 as Associate Town Counsel. A former adjunct law professor at Boston College Law School, I now prosecute educator misconduct for DESE. I am active in local, state, and national political work, co-chair of the Friends of the Carlton Street Footbridge, and a strong supporter of Brookline's schools, parkland and environmental initiatives. I am a founding member of the Precinct One Coalition.

Benjamin J. Franco / 126 Amory Street #3 / (New)

1. I support the idea of pay-as-you-throw (PAYT) trash collection. Under PAYT users of town sanitation services would bear the actual cost of residential trash collection, and PAYT will motivate residents to recycle more and throw out less. This transition is good environmentally and it will save the town money. While I support PAYT I am concerned that it burdens residents in tough times.

2. I am a life long Brookline resident and graduated from the Lawrence School and Brookline High School. I have long been involved in town affairs and am the Budget Director to a Massachusetts State Senator.

Neil R. Gordon / 87 Ivy Street / (New)

1. Yes. PAYT is fiscally and environmentally responsible. Fixed costs of providing for solid waste disposal are shared by the community, as they should be. Costs relating to controllable volume are, appropriately, borne by the user. PAYT provides a balance of municipal service and personal responsibility that strongly encourages recycling and cost containment.

2. Neil lives on Ivy Street with his partner, Laura Weisel. He has a strong history of community service. Neil is president of N.R. Gordon & Company, a corporate finance consulting firm. He is an avid sailor and cyclist, served with the U.S. Navy and is a Vietnam veteran.

Carol B. Hillman / 287 Kent Street , #2 / (New)

1. I'm inclined to favor this approach, to reduce trash and increase recycling. But I want more information on the impact it would have on Brookline citizens, particularly those on tight budgets who are already paying taxes for this service. We should also look at better enforcement of current recycling rules.

2. I've an MA from Cornell and have been a corporate executive and civic volunteer. I was trustee of the Massachusetts Economic Stabilization Trust and on boards of Planned Parenthood League of MA, the Commonwealth Corporation and Worcester United Way. I'll bring my business and non-profit experience to work for Brookline.

Karen D. Loeff / 22 Carlton Street / Attendance 18 of 18

1. Yes, the current single price system is inequitable for smaller households. I am concerned about the availability and the pricing of the garbage bags or stickers. I would prefer a sticker program with the stickers available at town hall, local stores, senior center and via the internet, etc. I do have serious ongoing concerns about the town's fiscal status. Town meeting members must be more responsible at analyzing the budget.

2. Realtor at Coldwell Banker Brookline, TMM Pct. 1 since 1997 and Advisory Committee since 2005. Mother of six, 3 Brookline High grads and two grandchildren in Brookline schools. Resident since 1984.

Stephen R. Morse / 54 Powell Street / Attendance 17 of 18

1. In principle: yes. Need to see the details and hear the debate. That is what Town Meeting is about. If the program provides for a more equitable apportionment of the cost of trash removal, incentivizes recycling, and

reduces the volume of trash, it is a winner.

2. Homeowner since 1975. TMM 1978 to present. Children attended Lawrence and BHS. Bowdoin, Columbia Law School. Retired attorney, volunteer work. Advisory Committee 3 terms.

PRECINCT 2 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Robert Morrissey / 79 Thatcher Street, #1 / (New)

1. I'm not convinced enough of the merits of volume based trash programs to support adding a layer of bureaucracy to trash pickup. As Brookline becomes increasingly transient, we need initiatives which encourage families to choose Brookline, not a program that penalizes larger families or owners of two or three-family dwellings.

2. Native Bostonian, 13 years as an R&D technician at Raytheon Company, 15 years owning a successful B&B in Newport, RI. Newport Chamber of Commerce member, founding member of Newport lodging association. Condo owner and trustee. Owner of home renovation business. Wife Regina, a wellness nurse and painter. Daughter Nora, a student at Devotion.

Barbara A. O'Brien / 342 Saint Paul Street
Attendance 18 of 18

1. No, I feel once we get rid of loyal employees and equipment we will have to pay whatever private companies want. It might be cheap the first year or two but not after that. Cuts to schools and police were not considered. More work needs to be done.

2. Lifelong resident of Brookline. Housewife and mother. Active member and president of Devotion PTO when my children were in school. Participate in LWV Future Search and currently a member. Vice-president of Egmont Tenants Association and delegate to Brookline Neighborhood Alliance. Town Meeting since 2003 with perfect attendance.

Linda Olson Pehlke / 48 Browne Street #2/ (New)

1. Yes, if we can expect the volume of solid waste to decline and recycling to increase, saving disposal fees, increasing recycling revenues and improving the town's environmental performance. The program is more equitable, with those disposing more paying more and visa versa. Also, PAYT will fully fund the cost of trash management.

2. Linda Olson Pehlke is a 21 year resident of Brookline and a professional urban planner and author. She's written extensively about Brookline including, *Exploring the Paths of Brookline*. She is Director of Friends of the Minot Rose Garden, on the Board of Brookline GreenSpace Alliance and the Climate Action Committee.

Edward L. Richmond / 74 Parkman Street
Attendance 18 of 18

1. I have been away in California much of the winter. I only read the TAB article about PAYT a few days ago. I will attend the TMMA meeting in April and make up my mind on the proposal. I have seen trash disposal in Sudbury

with separate receptacles for paper, metal, plastic. I will learn all that I need to know at the next TMMA meeting in April.

2. TM 1987 to 1991, Precinct 11. TM Precinct 2 1992 to date. NBNA Steering Committee. Served in Newton as an Alderman for 14 years 1972 to 1986, as Finance Committee Chair for 6 years. Occupation: lawyer 40 years, now retired.

Eunice S. White / 135 Pleasant Street / Attendance 6 of 6

1. Many issues face North Brookline of concern to me: density, noise, displacement of families by influx of students, safety, schools, traffic, etc. Have worked to restore the Minot Rose Garden and Winthrop Park for use by all residents. Currently seeking ways to restore blighted areas of Precinct 2.

2. Brookline resident since 1956; homeowner since 1978. Graduated from Devotion and Brookline High Schools; B.A. and M.Ed. from BU. Recently retired, was an educational research scientist and subsequently business management consultant with major consulting firm. Member of Amory House Board of Trustees (128 units) 15+ years. Member, North Brookline Neighborhood Association. TMM since 2008.

PRECINCT 3 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Kathe Sternbach Geist / 551 Brookline Avenue
Attendance 17 of 18

1. I support this innovation, even though it will cause problems for my own condominium association, because I think it will encourage greater recycling and make for less garbage in landfills, which are in ever shorter supply.

2. I am a teacher and writer. Since 1993, I have lived in a quaint Brookline neighborhood, across the street from the Muddy River. I am, consequently, involved in issues pertaining to the parks, particularly the Emerald Necklace, and to maintaining and strengthening neighborhoods. I am particularly concerned about the encroachment of the Longwood Medical Area on Brookline.

Jane C. Gilman / 140A Sewall Avenue / Attendance 2 of 3

1. The pay-as-you-throw proposal makes sense for Brookline and should be implemented. Brookline must make practical fiscal decisions based on environmental sustainability. The arguments against this initiative largely center on increased cost for some residents and potential inconvenience. But Brookline doesn't have the luxury of complaining or resisting this sensible plan. The stakes are too high.

2. I have lived in Brookline since 1992. I have taught French and currently work with youthful offenders who are released to the community. I have served as trustee and president of my condominium association.

Laurence Kragen Koff / 20 Harrison Street / (New)

1. I support the intent of the PAYT program to increase recycling, improve environmental quality and fairly charge households for trash. But I will want to consider at Town Meeting the possible unintended consequences such as

illegal trash disposal and impacts of the dual fee structure program upon those living in apartments, the elderly and low income before I would endorse this program.

2. Principal, community planning consulting firm; MBA and MUP; 38 year homeowner, 5 children. Former TMM Pct 3, Chair Pct. 3 Committee on Parking and LMA impacts; Lawrence School renovation; Brookline GreenSpace Alliance; Development Committee, Council for Planning/Renewal.

Joanne Liautaud / 160 Sewall Avenue / (New)

1. Pay as you use policy should be given serious consideration. I also feel that we can do more as a town to increase awareness, ease, and efficiency of recycling.

2. Resident of Brookline for four years, homeowner since 2007, married to Ted MacLean. We have two children at the Lawrence School. I am actively involved in the school community and PTO. A Board Member of the Brookline Education Foundation, I coordinate the after-school enrichment program at Lawrence (LSA), which reaches over 200 students in 25 classes each term. I have BA degrees in Sociology and Political Science from Stanford University.

Dann Robinson / 80 Frances Street, Unit No. 5/ (New)

1. No. I have not yet heard any compelling reasons to change the current system, which seems simpler.

2. I have lived in the Coolidge Corner area for over 25 years, the last five being in Precinct 3. I am married with a daughter, a seventh grader at Lawrence School. I work as a communications engineer in the Boston offices of a multinational engineering company. I favor: less traffic; less over-development; more open, green and sky space; preserving Parsons Field and maintaining our safe, secure and serene neighborhoods.

Myra R. Trachtenberg / 45 Longwood Avenue
Attendance 14 of 18

1. Yes, I support pay-as-you-throw because it is a fairer system. You pay for the amount of trash you actually generate.

2. TMM since 1989. Member of the town's Zoning By-Law Committee as well as the Parking Monitoring Committee. Chair of CCSS Neighborhood Association. Member of the defunct Coolidge Corner District Planning Council. Recipient of the 2005 Leadership award from the Brookline Neighborhood Alliance. I've been one of the lead sponsors of several zoning by-law changes that protect neighborhoods from over-development. I also frequently attend Planning Board and Board of Appeals hearings to advocate for neighborhood concerns.

Candidates for One Year Term Vote for One

J. Eric Hornfeldt / 22 Kent Square / (New)

1. I oppose a pay-as-you-throw program. Such a program encourages littering and illegal dumping resulting in a dirtier and unsafe town both in the streets and in greenspace areas. Town services and employees would be further stressed with additional cleaning and pick up of litter and illegally dumped refuse.

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2. Resident since late 1960's. Attended Devotion and graduated BHS 1980. BA economics UMass/Amherst. Worked at a private business in Brookline since 1984. Married in 1987. Children attended Brookline public schools; daughter a senior at BHS.

Frank R. Steinfield / 160 Aspinwall Avenue / (New)

1. Yes. I agree with the PAYT Study Committee's recommendation to create a PAYT program in Brookline because it would reduce waste by encouraging additional recycling and composting. A PAYT program would also raise awareness that trash has a per-unit cost, both to the Town and to the environment.

2. Nonprofit management consultant with a focus on child welfare reform and health care. Brookline resident for 10 years with two children at the Lawrence School. Trustee, Brookline Community Foundation; Vice President, Lawrence School Extended Day Program board; enthusiastic town soccer, hockey, basketball, and baseball parent.

PRECINCT 4 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Ingrid E. Cooper / 30 Brook Street
Attendance 16 of 18

1. I continue to consider informed points of view pro and con, concerned about the administration, enforcement, and impact of a new and more costly system in this financial climate.

2. TMM Pct. 4 (18 yrs.); Managing Partner, AARTPACK, Brookline business for design and development of digital and print educational materials (15 yrs.); married, mother of 2; former BHS Class Parent and BHS PTO Board Member (8 yrs.); former Co-President (2 yrs.) and Board Member (6+ yrs.), Lawrence PTO; former Board Member, Lawrence Extended Day Program (4 yrs.); owner 2-family home (25 yrs.); M.S. Art Ed., Mass College of Art; B.A. English, Skidmore College.

Nadine Gerdts / 56 Linden Place / Attendance 17 of 18

1. Reducing waste is a critical issue both locally and globally. If the pay-as-you-throw proposal encourages more recycling and thoughtful use and re-use of resources it will be a valuable program that I would fully support.

2. Brookline resident since 1990. Advisory Committee Member (Planning and Regulation Sub-Committee), 6 years. TMM since 2002. Design Review Panel Member/ Appointed Design Professional for various town open space and planning projects. Senior Lecturer and Design Critic, RISD Department of Landscape Architecture and Department of Teaching + Learning in Art + Design. Parent of Pierce School / BHS high school senior. MLA, Harvard; AB, Brown.

Sharon L. McCarrell / 82 Brook Street
Attendance 15 of 18

1. Yes. I think that, like water, it is appropriate for the amount we pay for trash collection to be related to the

amount we use, rather than partially paid by property taxes. It will encourage recycling, and people can control their costs by reducing waste.

2. I have been in Brookline since 1991, and a TMM since 2002. I am a public librarian. My children went to Pierce and to BHS. I served on the Pierce PTO Board for 9 years, and the Board of ArtBarn Community Theater for 10 years.

Mariah C. Nobrega / 6 Juniper Street, # 8 / (New)

1. Yes, because I believe it forces people to reconcile the amount of waste they produce with the amount of money they spend. When these two issues are delinked, as they currently are, there is less motivation to curtail waste.

2. I was raised in Precinct 4 in a household involved in Town politics and civic matters. I attended Lawrence, BHS, NYU. My husband Arthur and I returned from abroad because we believe that Brookline is an ideal place to raise a family. We now have two young children, and are homeowners. Brookline's schools, parks, and location are key reasons why we are committed to the Town and why I am running for office.

David M. Trietsch / 52 Linden Place
Attendance 16 of 18

1. I'll decide once I hear more about the details of the program.

2. Husband and father of two, former Pierce parent. Long term TMM, Chair of Brookline Housing Authority, Fisher Hill Development Advisory Committee, former city planner and community development director.

PRECINCT 5 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

David Hamlin / 6 Wellington Terrace / (New)

1. I support any reasonable measure that encourages recycling. We compost and recycle everything possible. For us PAYT would be money neutral. But questions remain. Would PAYT really increase recycling? Save money? Is it a veiled tax hike? A burden on households? Will PAYT affect some households unfairly? What about multi-family residences?

2. Raised in Illinois; BS Stanford; M.Ed. BU; Brookline Precinct 5 resident since 1974; our daughter went through Lincoln School (pre-renovation) and BHS; have operated residential design and renovation business since 1984; member of Commercial Areas Study Committee, 1993.

Philip Harrington / 10 Edwin Street / (New)

1. Regarding the pay-as-you-throw. In speaking with members of my precinct the consensus seems to be they are in favor of recycling but feel the potential added cost that they face by this program is not the way to go about it. At this time I will not be supporting the program.

Randolph Meiklejohn / 161 Cypress Street
Attendance 18 of 18

1. I support PAYT. Residents deserve the opportunity to reduce their disposal fees by reducing the quantity of trash they generate. The program's pricing structure makes disposal more like a water or power utility: customers who reduce consumption benefit the environment as well as themselves.

2. Resident and 2-family homeowner since 1988; TMM since 2006; Conservation Commission chairman; active in neighborhood design and zoning issues, Lincoln School PTO, Friends of Hall's Pond board. Previous appointments: Solid Waste Advisory Committee, Carlton Street Footbridge Design Review, 2 Brookline Place Project Team. Architect, married to Diane Sokal, children at BHS and Lincoln.

Phyllis R. O'Leary / 16 Jamaica Road / Attendance 13 of 18

1. I am against privatizing our public works department. Public Works has been cut to the bone, and if we privatize that service we would be doing a great disservice to those of us who have stayed in Brookline long after our children have grown and left the town. I would vote to pay for trash services in order to keep that service in-house.

2. I have lived in Brookline all my life; married to George O'Leary; worked in the Brookline School Dept. as parent coordinator for the Title 1 program. I have three sons, all attended Brookline Schools. TMM 27 years.

Lenore K. von Krusenstiern / 302 Walnut Street
Attendance 18 of 18

1. I agree with the goals of the proposed PAYT trash management program. I support providing an incentive for recycling, and I think it is fair for households that generate less trash to pay a lower trash collection fee. I would like to learn more about the implementation of such a program before definitively supporting it.

2. TMM for two previous terms—100% attendance record; married, son at BHS, daughter at Lincoln; Chair, PTO Arts Committee at Lincoln for 8 years; parent representative to ECS Parent Advisory Committee, 5 years; Gifted and Talented Program Review Committee.

PRECINCT 6 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Gordon E. Bennett / 55 Davis Avenue / (New)

1. No. Ignoring objective cost/benefit analysis and recycling for the sake of recycling is both wasteful and harmful for the environment. Likely increases in fees and compliance costs, illegal dumping and increased usage of garbage disposals and trash compactors are all probable outcomes that are antithetical to the program's purpose.

2. A graduate of Lawrence School and BHS, Gordon Bennett holds a Masters in Economics from NYU and an A.B. from Harvard. A Chartered Financial Analyst, he runs an investment advisory firm. He recently served on Brookline's Override Study Committee. He is married and has two sons.

David Heist / 16 Davis Avenue / (New)

1. I would support the pay as you throw program only if it could ensure that it will continue to keep the people doing the work in their jobs, and also if there is a progressive fee scale so someone who is lower income may not have to pay.
2. David Heist is a 24 year old student currently at Northeastern University. David has been an active member on the Brookline Human Relations/ Youth Resources Commission. David is currently a Seabee in the Navy Reserves. David is happy to serve this country and looks forward to serving this Town.

Brian Sean Kane / 4 Lincoln Road, #2 / (New)

1. I support the pay-as-you-throw waste management program. PAYT fosters an awareness of use, which ultimately reduces garbage and increases recycling. The less waste generated and the more items recycled the healthier our environment. This progressive, green program will foster greater product stewardship, increase recycling, composting, and other innovative waste-reducing measures.
2. Brian Kane is Budget and Policy Analyst for the independent MBTA Advisory Board. He analyzes and reviews the MBTA's annual billion dollar operating, capital and debt service budgets. He and Jean Carroll Kane are parents to 21-month-old Elizabeth Rose, the 5th generation of the Carroll family to live in Brookline.

Ian D. Roffman / 20 Searle Avenue / Attendance 3 of 3

1. The details matter. Pay-as-you-throw potentially ensures that the fees collected by the town are fair compared to the cost and encourages recycling. These are worthy goals. But other towns have had mixed experiences with pay-as-you-throw. Renters may lack incentive. I would support a system that: was easy for residents to use, did not increase the average trash fee already paid, kept the town's administrative costs low, and provided a fair mechanism for landlords and renters.
2. Attorney; married with 3 children; Pierce School parent; Brookline Education Foundation; Brookline Youth Baseball; TMM; Congregation Kehillath Israel; Mass and Boston Bar Assoc.

Kim N. Smith / 22 Brington Road / Attendance 6 of 6

1. I support PAYT trash management. Charging by volume, instead of a flat fee, PAYT encourages recycling, which yields environmental benefits. It makes payment more equitable, and reduces and fully funds town trash removal costs.
2. An Oberlin graduate, I have a public health Master's from Johns Hopkins, and am "all but dissertation" for a social policy Ph.D. from Brandeis. I work at the Massachusetts Division of Health Care Finance and Policy. I have served on various boards and committees, including the Selectman's Clean Car Committee. A Brookline Democratic Town Committee member, I attended three state conventions and worked on several campaigns.

Ruthann Sneider / 30 Perry Street / Attendance 18 of 18

1. I see pay-as-you-throw as another essential step in developing community responsibility as well as a prudent

fiscal choice. As a TMM, I've worked hard for reasonable development, protecting open space, noise control and citizen's rights.

2. M.S. Ed.; I've lived in the Pierce School district for 40 years and have been active in neighborhood politics for over 30, beginning as a member of the PTO committee that established and ran the Pierce After-School Extended Day Care Program. I serve on the Executive Board of the TMM Association, belong to Brookline GreenSpace, LWV, Friends Billy Ward Playground, etc.

Henry B. Warren / 50 Gorham Avenue / Attendance 17 of 18

1. Town must raise revenues sufficient to support delivery of services, however I am concerned about the potential for abuse of pay-as-you-throw. What mechanisms exist to prevent non-house-holders leaving trash that is not placed in approved receptacle(s) in front of your house causing the householder to be responsible for the actions and trash of non-household members?
2. Spouse: Nina Brown. Lived in Brookline since 1981. Children graduated Brookline Schools. Former member of Brookline Foundation Board (President from 1996 to 1999). Served on FPAC and OSC; member of Brookline School Committee; former Chair, BSC Finance Subcommittee; former Vice-Chair BSC. Current Chair, School Committee.

Christine M. Westphal / 31 Hurd Road / Attendance 18 of 18

1. I oppose the pay-as-you-throw warrant article. The present system works well and is simple to use and administer. The proposed system would be more complex and has the potential to result in trash being left on the street. It also has the potential to create neighborhood conflicts.
2. TMM since 2002; member of the Advisory Committee since 2005. Faculty member at Suffolk University's College of Arts and Sciences and teaches courses in Human Resources. She and her partner have two children in the Brookline Public schools.

PRECINCT 7 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Susan F. Cohen / 23 Littell Road / Attendance 17 of 18

1. I fully support recycling but cannot vote yes on this article until I hear the true costs. For example how much will the administrative fees be? I also want to know what happens when a tenant moves out and leaves some of his belongings on the street for trash pickup. Who pays for that? I need answers before voting yes.
2. Neighborhood activist. Treasurer TMM Association. Treasurer Coolidge Corner Southside Neighborhood Association.

Susan P. Ellis / 431 Washington Street
Attendance 11 of 12

1. Yes. There are economic, environmental and equity reasons for choosing PAYT. PAYT rewards trash volume reduction and recycling and results in improved environmental quality. When you recycle more and discard less trash, you pay less.

2. I am seeking reelection so that I may continue to vigorously support the concerns and interests of Precinct 7 residents, including schools, libraries, preserving open space, public safety, responsible development, affordable housing, improved parking regulation, senior center, equitable taxes. As a lawyer and former librarian, I am committed to the democratic process and to legal and social justice.

Elizabeth (Betty) Goldstein / 66 Perry Street
Attendance 17 of 18

1. Support the proposal as it will offer an incentive economically and lead to more recycling, less waste, and will be more equitable financially. Residents will have control over their fees. The EPA endorses this as environmentally savvy. Increased revenue will help cover handling trash. But, will this be a hardship to some, how will it be implemented and how will it be handled with multi-family units?
2. MSW Smith College School for Social Work; Community Mental Health Center therapist where am chairman Human Rights Committee, court mediator, literary escort. Executive Board, Coolidge Corner Theatre. Two Brookline educated children. Homeowner 33 years.

Jonathan J. Margolis / 49 Harvard Avenue
Attendance 9 of 9

1. I am skeptical of pay-as-you-throw. Trash collection is a core government function that should not be based on fee-for-service. Also, it is not a truly equitable system. I fear that it will place a particular burden on the elderly and those with limited mobility, especially if only approved bags are to be used for trash. And are we really ready to leave trash in unapproved bags on the sidewalk? In all, I believe that more thought is needed before adopting such a system.
2. TMM Pct. 7, 2007-; Library Trustee (vice-chair); TMM pct. 1, 1992-6. Trial lawyer. Thirty year Brookline resident.

Sloan K. Sable / 50 Harris Street / Attendance 18 of 18

1. I want to hear a full debate before I make a final decision, but to me it seems like it would place an unfair burden on larger, younger families. All should bear the burden equally, as I as a senior citizen do for the schools.
2. Resident 30 years. Winsor School History Teacher. Ph.D. Peace Corp. Married. Two children. PTO/Day Care Boards; Social Studies Task Force; Override Committees 1994, 1995 (Precinct Co-chair); Town Meeting 16 years; volunteer local/national campaigns; 2002-05 BHS China Exchange Host Family; Member Town Meeting Brookline Campaign Finance Sub-Committee 2004-06. Brookline Committee on Campaigns 2008-09.

Candidates for Two Year Term Vote for Two

Mark A. Gray / 31 Harris Street / (New)

1. I support the pay-as-you-throw management program because it will provide economic, environmental, and financial incentives to increase recycling and reduce trash volume.

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2. Raised in Brookline, Edward Devotion School, Brookline High School, BA Boston College, JD Boston College Law School, M. Div Boston University School of Theology, condo owner 25 years, Member Hidden Brookline Committee of Human Relations/Youth Resources Commission, Roland Hayes Legacy Committee

Kelly A. Hardebeck / 18 Littell Road / Attendance 6 of 6

1. A well structured PAYT program should reduce waste, increase recycling and composting and offer residents potential cost savings. In addition, compliance with the program should be not difficult or burdensome for property owners or tenants. I am in favor of a PAYT system in Brookline that meets the objectives for reducing waste and cost and is easy for residents to understand.

2. Brookline resident since 1993; married to Edward F. Hardebeck; parent of two children at Lawrence School; former Lawrence School PTO President and current member of School Council; Boston College graduate; independent software consultant (2003-present)

Candidates for One Year Term Vote for Two

Ellen B. Ball / 441 Washington Street #3 / (New)

1. My mind is open to an informed discussion of the PAYT program. It would be great if it would reduce Brookline's carbon footprint.

2. 18-year resident of Brookline with husband, Bruce Haimowitz and son Max, who is a sixth grader at Pierce School. Former Pierce School PTO president. Graduated from Rutgers with a Bachelors and Masters in Electrical Engineering. Software engineer at Partners In Health developing an electronic medical record system used to treat infectious diseases in impoverished settings.

Alan Ziskend / 24 Littell Road / (New)

1. I'm not sure. May increase recycling, but in this bad economy it involves additional expense for home owners, condo owners, and tenants, with restrictions, and enforcement resulting in fines. Brookline faces critical issues in a bad economy: high taxes, elderly, parking, over development, schools, public services, congestion. Brookline needs more business people who understand the workings of budget and management for lower costs. Must fight for a proper budget. Keep Brookline Affordable

2. Born and raised in Brookline; Lawrence School; BHS; college educated; Brookline Auxiliary Police with commendation; 3 years TMM; businessman from business family since 1893 in Boston.

PRECINCT 8 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Francis G. Caro / 27 Elba Street / Attendance 17 of 18

1. A pay-as-you-throw trash collection service is attractive as a concept because it promises a financial incentive for residents to recycle as it rewards those who generate modest volumes of trash. However, the Town needs to

assure residents in advance that it can administer a new system efficiently, fairly, and with minimal inconvenience to the public.

2. Brookline resident since 1988. Two-term TMM. Advisory Committee member for 5 years. Library volunteer. Semi-retired sociologist/gerontologist affiliated with UMass Boston.

Paula Jo Coelho / 223 Freeman Street / (New)

1. In some ways. This program should give residents an incentive to lessen waste while increasing recycling. Residents, however, must be educated, prior to proposing this program, as to the true values of recycling and its significance in order to achieve optimum participation.

2. Resident of Brookline for 49 years; Lawrence School and BHS alumni; graduated Endicott College; 1996 Citizen's Police Academy graduate; actively opposed the 1998 proposed curb cut at Dexter Park; 2001 a founder of the Campaign to Preserve St. Aidan's; 2001 to present; active in community issues; Member of North Brookline Neighborhood Association

David-Marc Goldstein / 22 Osborne Road

Attendance 18 of 18

1. The trash fee has never covered the entire cost of trash collection. Given the high costs of disposal, it's important to reduce the amount we generate. Expanding the recycling program is a great way to do this. While the pay-as-you-go program has worked well in other communities, there are some details of the program that still have to be worked out before implementing it in Brookline. I suggest a neighborhood pilot program, and based on the results, expand it town wide.

2. Born and raised in Brookline, TMM since 1984. Steering committee, North Brookline Neighborhood Association. Member, Coolidge Corner District Planning Council.

Anita L. Johnson / 41 Osborne Road

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No Reply

Margaret (Peg) Senturia / 98 Crowninshield Road

Attendance 17 of 18

1. I support this in principle to encourage recycling and conservation. Details matter: let's have simplicity in practice.

2. In 6 years in Town Meeting, I've worked on the steering committee of the North Brookline Neighborhood Association, the Saint Aidan's development, the Coolidge Corner District Planning Commission, Brookline Green-Space, the Brookline Community Mental Health Center, the Preservation Commission, the Efficiency Committee, and the 2008 override. I was a clinical social worker, MBA, and organizational consultant (retired) and Precinct 8 resident for 32 years. My son, Sam Dickerman, attended Devotion and now teaches at Brookline High. Two grandchildren will eventually attend Pierce.

PRECINCT 9 Candidates For Three Year Term Vote For Five

Eleanor J. Bart / 140 Thorndike Street

Attendance 11 of 18

1. Our trash system works but more residents have to be accountable for recycling. Have a recycle patrol to fine people who are not sufficiently recycling. Give classes in school re: recycle/reuse. What kind of fee for a large household item? Private dumpsters will be violated. The littering in Brookline will multiply.

2. North Brookline resident for over 60 years and town meeting member for 20 years. Member of the Board of Directors of Council on Aging. Fought for development of the Senior Center. Always fought for excellence in school system. All my four children attended Brookline schools.

Janet Sue Echelman / 64 Coolidge Street

Attendance 1 of 6

1. Oppose pay-as-you-throw trash management system because it will require additional work/cost to implement the program, which will add an unnecessary increased burden on Town residents.

2. Town Meeting Member; my husband and I are homeowners in Precinct 9 with two children (Devotion School and Kehillath Israel Nursery School); currently Visiting Fellow in Urban Planning at Harvard Graduate School of Design. My professional work is the design and construction of place-making public art in urban settings. Also serve on the board of the National Fulbright Association and the Aspen Institute Energy and Environment Awards.

Marvin A. Feinman / 100 Centre Street, #316 / (New)

1. We should give it a chance and support the PAYT Study Commission recommendation. Furthermore, I have been against over development in residential neighborhoods and a long, strong supporter of schools and public safety.

2. Pct. 7 TMM w/30 years perfect attendance; now living at 100 Centre Street and elected to its Resident Council; Town Constable; Board of Directors PAX and Friends of the Muddy River; elected member of Democratic Town Committee; delegate to Democratic State Conventions; Senior Center activist; former President of neighborhood association; former V.P. Brookline Tenant Union; member: Shomrin Police Society and Mass. Bay Constables Association; BS Georgia Tech; veteran.

Joyce Jozwicki / 185 Winchester Street

Attendance 18 of 18

1. Yes. By paying for what you throw away, households with many members and those that do not recycle will carry their fair share of the burden. Those that recycle more and throw away less will reap a financial benefit. Hopefully, this will encourage more recycling.

2. Married; 5 children; 3 grandchildren; School Committee 3 terms; Brookline resident since April 1969.

Pamela C. Katz / 29 Columbia Street / (New)

1. Yes. As a parent of three, I am keenly aware of the burden that pay-as-you-throw imposes on families. However, I am also aware of the need to conserve our resources for future generations. I love Brookline for its commitment to the environment and this program is what environmentally conscious communities, like Brookline, do.

2. Brookline resident since 1998; 3 children currently attending Devotion School; before children, worked as a lawyer in private practice and for a nonprofit. Last year co-chaired the Devotion effort to pass the Override. Currently active in the Devotion PTO and serve on the Site Council.

William B. Powell / 16 Columbia Street / (New)

1. Yes. I support this great idea that activists have proposed for a number of years; a fair concept that also covers Town's costs. My own local activism began in 1997 when I lead the fight against a Sunoco/Best-Gas proposal in Precinct 9 that would have added a tacky snack shop and huge canopy over the pumps.

2. Supports our schools. TMM '98-'08. Town committees: Advisory/Planning and Regulations '02 ; Zoning Bylaw. Long-active proponent for down-zoning and neighborhood preservation: got by-law passed in '07, second by-law narrowly defeated in '08. Fought for better St. Aidan's re-development. Residential architect; homeowner since 1982.

Martin R. Rosenthal / 62 Columbia Street
Attendance 18 of 18

1. A win-win-win, with kudos to the PAYT study committee: reducing trash and waste; covering 100% of the Town's cost (as PAX long urged); and more equitable. An idea whose time is here.

2. Litigation lawyer (criminal and attorney discipline defense). Public defender ('73-90). Managing Attorney, CJI; Harvard Law School ('90-2). Co-chair, Citizens Against Death Penalty, '94-02. Brookline: Selectman '85-8; TMM '79- (100% attendance); Committees: Town Organization '89 and Advisory '83-5; Co-chair Brookline PAX (3x). Accomplishments: By-Laws: sidewalk-shoveling assistance/encouragement; restaurants' bathrooms; political signs; residents' 2-hour parking permits; Pledge of Allegiance compromise '92; Police-Community Relations Rpt. '88 and Police Study Committee '08

PRECINCT 10
Candidates for Three Year Term
Vote for Five

Lorraine N. Arnfeld / 1531 Beacon Street
Attendance 10 of 18
No Reply

Linda M. Davis / 125 Park Street / Attendance 18 of 18
1. Yes provided that larger bags or stickers may be used by large multifamily buildings, which tend to use much larger bags than 30 gallons. Until we have several years

to learn the extent of non-resident dumping along curbsides of compliant buildings, there should not be fines or penalties. A sunset provision should be added so that this problem can be evaluated. Since this is a new program intended to educate the population, there should not be a punitive component.

2. Brookline resident for 32 years; Pct.10 TMM for 6 years; registered Democrat; practicing pathologist; raised 4 children in Brookline.

Wendy Henry / 1401 Beacon Street / Attendance 7 of 18

1. While I need to learn more about this issue, I am certainly in favor of initiatives that require us to think about the amount of waste we are creating and the best practices for either recycling that waste or incentives to cut down on the amount produced, provided that the solutions do not adversely or disproportionately affect renters by the cost of such programs being passed on by landlords.

2. I am a single mother of a Driscoll student and lifelong resident of Brookline. I believe in workers rights and equality for women, and that education and involvement in my community are important.

Lori D. Salkin / 1501 Beacon Street #203 / (New)

1. I am a firm supporter of recycling and reducing "carbon footprints," however I do not support the pay-as-you-throw recycling program. PAYT discriminates against single-family homeowners.

2. I was born and raised in Brookline. I attended Maimonides School. I graduated from BU, B.A., in 2004; Fordham University, M.B.A., in 2008. Candidate for a Master's Certificate from The Juilliard School. Production assistant for Channel 7 News and a reporter for Brookline Access Television. I am also a volunteer fundraiser for the Combined Jewish Philanthropies. I am married to Attorney Leon Salkin.

Finn Peter Skagestad / 24 Griggs Terrace
Attendance 17 of 18

1. No, I oppose a pay-as-you-throw recycling program.

2. I have been a Town Meeting Member since May 2006. My wife, Elaine Ober, and I have been Brookline residents since 1981. We have one child in the Brookline public schools. I am Assistant Managing Editor in the Legal Education group of Aspen Publishers in Waltham, and part-time instructor of Logic and Critical Reasoning at U Mass Lowell. I have a Ph.D. degree in History of Ideas from Brandeis University and an M.A. degree in Law and Diplomacy from Tufts University.

Benjamin M. Stern / 125 Park Street / Attendance 6 of 18

1. No. Although the proposal's goal is laudable, I don't believe that the program will increase recycling compliance. First, unlike other towns with similar programs, Brookline has a high concentration of apartments with limited interior and outside space. Second, education and other programs to encourage recycling are preferable to economic penalties, which may impact our residents differently. Third, administration could become

unwieldy and represent additional expense to the Town. Despite these reservations, I look forward to learning more about the proposal.

2. Brookline resident since 2004; married with 2 sons (ages 3 and 1); litigation attorney at Proskauer Rose LLP (Boston).

PRECINCT 11
Candidates for Three Year Term
Vote for Five

Dixon Bain / 69 Summit Avenue / Attendance 15 of 18

1. No. The Town has finally settled into an annual fee recycling program that works passably well. Introducing a pay-as-you-throw program adds little but confusion and possibly un-neighborly acts in an initiative that may cost more, rather than less.

2. A Brookline resident for over 35 years, I have been a homeowner on Corey Hill for most of that period. I have served as a TMM (Pct 11), and as a founding member of the Town's Housing Advisory Board and the Planning Board for more than 10 years, as well as an officer of BIC, the Town's affordable housing development corporation. A graduate of Dartmouth College, I have also studied housing finance at MIT and currently serve as a residential and commercial broker at Chobee Hoy Associates.

Joseph M. Ditkoff / 145 Mason Terrace
Attendance 18 of 18

1. A properly designed PAYT program would decrease waste, increase recycling, support the Town budget, and (most important) establish a more equitable link between use of trash collection and payment for that service. I hope we can design an effective, practical program that will meet these objectives.

2. I am Deputy Legal Counsel to the Boston District Attorney (with open meetings and public records law expertise) and Secretary of the Mass. State Prosecutors Association. I have perfect attendance as your Town Meeting representative. I am married to School Committee Member Susan Wolf Ditkoff. We are raising two children in this wonderful community.

Maryellen Moran / 100 Winchester Street, Unit 1 / (New)

1. I do not support the pay as you throw program. It would be an administrative nightmare, and just another way to extract tax payers hard earned money. In fact, I do not support existing trash removal fees: this service should be provided with property tax revenue and all services managed within budget.

2. I am currently a consultant in the transportation field with 20 years experience managing projects, operations, and customer service. I have a M.S. in Business Management. I've resided in Brookline for the last six years, married with one dog. I'm new to Town Meeting and enjoy the exchange.

Joel D. Shield / 204 Lancaster Terrace / Attendance 16 of 18
No Reply

Karen Wenc / 84 Summit Avenue / Attendance 18 of 18

1. I support the concept, oppose the proposal. Brookline's recycling rate is 44% and rising. Recycling transport costs \$150/ton, solid waste, \$164. Market for recycled paper has plummeted. Brookline last year collected \$270,194. in revenue for paper (\$100/ton). This year it's \$10/ton—that "high" because of DPW's contract. Our last several months paper sits in a Charlestown warehouse. Supplanting current system may not render environmental or financial benefits.

2. TMM since '85. Advisory Committee since '01. Advisory Council on Public Health '86-95, Chair '90-94. Arts Council. BU, Sargent College; School of Public Health, Smith College.

PRECINCT 12 **Candidates for Three Year Term** **Vote for Five**

Michael A. Burstein / 50 Garrison Road, #1
Attendance 6 of 6

1. I support the program, with one concern: illegal dumping. I would want to make sure that the program would be enforced. Homeowners should not be responsible for trash dumped in front of their homes by anonymous neighbors. Safeguards would ensure no one would be charged for the disposal of someone else's abandoned property.

2. Harvard College: A.B., Physics; Boston University: M.A., Physics. Brookline resident 1991-3, 1995-date. Teacher: Cambridge School of Weston, Rashi School; science textbook editor, Pearson Education. Library Trustee 2004-date. TMM, Precinct 9 since 2001. My wife and I just bought our new home in Precinct 12. We are expecting twins in August.

Lee Cooke-Childs / 136 Rawson Road
Attendance 17 of 18

1. Yes. It has been shown to decrease non-recycled trash significantly and the payment is equitable.

2. 40+ year Brookline resident. TMM 12 years. Board of BLWV. Treasurer of BNA, Co-chair AHNA. All offspring products of Brookline Schools.

David James Cotney / 79 University Road
Attendance 15 of 18

1. Yes. I support a pay-as-you-throw trash management program both because it is fair based on trash volume, and because it is a clear incentive for a reduction in waste, through increased recycling and reduced consumption of wasteful products.

Jonathan H. Grand / 120 Beaconsfield Road
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1. Yes. Towns and cities across the country are instituting environmentally sensitive practices and Brookline should be at the forefront. Many of us in the Town are already proactively recycling but financial incentives will increase those numbers. I would also like to see Brookline promote the use of cloth shopping bags; we must reduce the millions of plastic bags manufactured and distributed each year.

2. Brookline resident for 30 years. Town Meeting member since 1997. Trustee, Beaconsfield Towne House Condominium Trust. Former Boston Chapter Chairman, Appalachian Mountain Club. Consultant, Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. Former executive director of two nonprofit agencies.

Casey A. Hatchett / 84 University Road / (New)

1. As an avid recycler, I support the PAYT program. In addition to its environmental benefits, PAYT is also about fairness. Despite best efforts to reduce use, recycle and compost, my family of five produces more trash than smaller households and I feel we should pay for our share of removal.

2. Brookline resident for 15 years, homeowner, live with husband and three young sons. Active in our community: Brookline Police Officer for 11 years; Chair of Commission for Women 4 years, parent at Driscoll School. I am committed to Brookline. Areas of interest include: public safety, schools, environment.

Jonathan A. Karon / 124 Winthrop Road # 2 / (New)

1. More information is needed for a proper decision. Although I am a firm believer in recycling, I could only support the program if it would substantially increase recycling by rewarding committed recyclers with a significant fee decrease.

2. Experience Includes: Brookline School Committee; Advisory Committee (Chair Planning and Regulation and Public Safety Sub-Committees); TMM (Pct. 8); Board of Directors, Brookline Rotary Club and Brookline GreenSpace Alliance; Chair Committee on Town Meeting Procedures; Brookline Democratic Town Committee. Delegate to several Democratic State Conventions.; committed to great schools, safe streets, and treating all neighborhoods fairly. Homeowner. Trial Attorney with Karon & Dalimonte, LLP in Boston.

Ian F. Sklaver / 36 Blake Road / (New)

1. I support the worthy goals of decreasing waste and increasing recycling. I would like the program to incorporate an allowance based on the number of people living in a household, so families are not overly penalized. Children create trash when they outgrow toys and equipment, and when they make projects and artwork. We should encourage our children to reuse and recycle, but not discourage their activity and creativity with disproportionate fees.

2. Brookline homeowner. Pediatrician. Father of three current and future Runkle students. MD, Cornell University. Pediatric residency, Tufts New England Medical Center.

PRECINCT 13 **Candidates for Three Year Term** **Vote for Five**

Chris Chanyasulkit / 16 Corey Road / (New)

1. For economic, equity, and environmental reasons, Chris supports recycling efforts such as the PAYT program but welcomes Brookline residents to voice their

concerns to her; she is committed to representing the views of her neighbors and would always ask for their input on issues like this.

2. Resident and homeowner since 2002. Leadership: Co-Vice-Chair, Brookline Commission for Women; MA Commission on the Status of Women; Program Manager, Harvard School of Public Health; Education Board, American Public Health Association. Service: Brookline Medical Reserve Corps; Brookline Community Emergency Response Team. Education: M.A., Ph.D. candidate, Northeastern University; BU (M.P.H., B.A.). Married to James Bardin.

Jeff Feldgoise / 15 Windsor Road / (New)

1. I support the PAYT program because: 1) it fairly treats trash like every other utility—you generate less trash, you pay less, 2) it'll be good for the environment by reducing Brookline trash by about 30%, and 3) it will fully fund trash collection, helping the stretched Brookline budget.

2. I'm a software entrepreneur who has lived in Brookline for 16 years. Have been treasurer of the Salisbury Road Corey Farm Neighborhood Association, coach youth soccer, and strong supporter of Driscoll school/Washington Sq. where I live with my wife, Danna Remen, and our three kids. MIT alum with BS and Masters in Architecture.

Andrew M. Fischer / 21 Bartlett Crescent
Attendance 18 of 18

1. I support pay-as-you-throw because it is both good for the economy and good for the environment. In these difficult economic times, pay-as-you-throw provides a monetary incentive to cut down on the amount of trash. It will save the town money by reducing the amount of trash the town collects and must discard.

2. TMM for second term—100% attendance. Civil rights lawyer. Board of BATV; Brookline Dem. Town Comm.; Precinct captain, Override Campaign; Patrick, Obama, CPA campaigns; President, Jewish Alliance for Law and Social Action, former President, MASSBIKE; member Kehillath Israel; father of 3 Brookline High grads; Brookline resident 25 years.

John W. Freeman / 530 Clinton Road / (New)

1. I favor a revenue-neutral revision to the trash collection fee structure that builds-in effective and workable incentives to recycle. Details of the fee structure and the implementation costs to the town are critical to my support of a specific plan. At this point we do not know the details that will be presented to the Town Meeting.

2. An intellectual property attorney, with wife Linda, have lived in Brookline's 13th Precinct for almost 30 years. Sons Alexander and Andrew graduated Heath and BHS. I have enjoyed participating in parent functions supporting their education. BA, Williams College; JD, University of Pennsylvania Law School

Dorothy I. Krinsky / 108 Westbourne Terrace, #2 / (New)

1. I agree with the concepts behind the PAYT program. Would it save the town money as the proponents claim? Since a prepaid fee would be charged for large items before pickup, how much more money would it cost the town to administer? 129 out of 351 cities and towns in MA use PAYT. What problems arose in those towns that would help us anticipate and try to avoid in Brookline? More discussion is needed.

2. Former librarian, Solomon Schechter Day School, former TMM Precinct 11, long-time homeowner, children Maimonides alumni. Past Crime Watch Coordinator—Corey Hill Neighborhood Association of Brighton-Brookline.

J. Michael Maynard / 24 Crafts Road

Attendance 16 of 18

1. I would support a pilot program in Brookline to explore its fit for our system of Town government and our citizens. These programs have had widely varying results in other municipalities. The devil is in the details, and this type of program requires careful administration and citizen participation.

2. Brookline homeowner since 1990. TMM since 1997. Married, four children. Dartmouth College BA; Harvard Business School MBA. Profession: Real Estate Development Board Member: Coolidge Corner Theatre and Brookline Community Foundation

Paul A. Saner / 462 Chestnut Hill Avenue

Attendance 15 of 18

1. This proposal deserves a thorough debate as its goals are worthy. More specifics are needed about its financial effect on both the Town and home owner, as well as its operational requirements. It would be great to increase our recycling rate once we know program details work.

2. 21-year homeowner in Precinct 13; Brookline school parent. Member of Economic Development Advisory Board since 1995. Zoning By-law Review Committee; President, BHS Friends of Rowing; Trustee, Brookline Community Foundation; Founding Board member, Metropolitan WaterWorks Museum; Chair, Perkins Braille and Talking Book Library Advisory Board

John R. VanScoyoc / 307 Reservoir Road

Attendance 17 of 18

1. I await answers to several questions: 1) what net gain in recycled vs. non-recycled waste? 2) will average household costs increase? 3) how do complex rules governing large items (sofas, etc) enhance greater recycling? 4) any incentives for net reduction of the total waste stream? 5) any danger of increased illegal disposal? On balance, I am a supporter of a revenue-neutral program that rewards those who maximize recycling and minimize waste.

2. Producer, New England Cable News; former Advisory Committee chair; treasurer, Brookline Historical Society; board, Brookline Community Mental Health Center; homeowner, former Heath School parent. 2008, 2009 bicyclist in Pan Mass Challenge ride for Jimmy Fund.

Candidates for Two Year Term

Vote for One

Lee L. Selwyn / 285 Reservoir Road / (New)

1. No. The fee-per-bag scheme will require around one million trash bags per year—some 40+ tons of plastic — creating new costs and a new source of trash for the Town to process and dump. Supporters have failed to account for these costs or demonstrate that the benefits exceed them.

2. Brookline resident since 1967. Age: 66. Occupation: President of Economics and Technology, Inc., Boston. Education: Ph.D. in Management, Alfred P. Sloan School of Management, MIT (1969). Married (wife, Judith Selwyn, past Chairman of the Brookline Preservation Commission). Three adult children (Mark, Jeremy, Amanda), all graduates of Heath School and Brookline High.

PRECINCT 14

Candidates for Three Year Term

Vote for Five

Craig A. Bunnell / 691 Boylston Street / (New)

1. PAYT is more complicated and inconvenient. Yet even detractors do not dispute that it reduces landfill by 60-80%, decreases greenhouse gases and mitigates the need to extract natural resources. The devil is in the details. If we can prevent it from becoming untenably complicated or expensive, I would support PAYT as an investment in our children's future.

2. Brookline resident since 1997. Credentials: MD, Harvard Medical School; Master of Public Health, Harvard School of Public Health; Master of Business Administration, MIT. Breast oncologist and Associate Chief Medical Officer, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Married to Dr. Karen Miller; two daughters, Ella and Katie, at Runkle School.

Gill Fishman / 79 Holland Road / Attendance 17 of 18

1. No. The problem is that I see it as a hidden increase in taxes. Based on a previous experience, it is a cost that will continue to escalate annually without our consent as residents or taxpayers.

2. TMM and Co-Pres of Fisher Hill Association. Member of the Fisher Hill Town Housing Site committee, former member of the Zoning Committee. Both my children graduated BHS. Involved with and support many non-profits such as Technion, Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston, Museum of Fine Arts. National Board of American Technion Society. I am founder and CEO of two design offices: Gill Fishman Associates—Design and Branding consultants and Margolis + Fishman—Architects. Education: Harvard Graduate School of Design M.Arch. Harvard College.

Harry K. Friedman / 27 Claflin Road

Attendance 18 of 18

1. PAYT appears to encourage recycling, a worthy goal, and is more equitable than our current system. Those that generate more waste would correspondingly pay more than those that generate less. While PAYT has

new regulatory and hassle factors associated with it, the arguments in its favor seem to be stronger, and make me inclined to support it.

2. A.B. Colby College magna cum laude; J.D. Boston Univ. School of Law cum laude; Masters of Law in Taxation. Former practicing attorney. Currently retirement, investment, and financial planning advisor for Harvard Univ. faculty. Recording secretary Town Meeting Members Association.

Georgia M. Johnson / 80 Seaver Street

Attendance 17 of 18

1. I have not read enough about the proposed pay-as-you-throw trash management program to take a position yet. The program needs to be structured to achieve its desired result — to encourage recycling — while at the same time minimizing its unintended consequences such as penalizing those who live in multi-unit dwellings or costing more to administer than it saves.

2. I am married with 3 children, working as a management consultant. I am currently on the BHS 21st Century Fund Board and the Brookline Community Mental Health Center Board. Graduate of Wellesley College and University of Chicago Business School.

Roger R. Lipson / 622 Chestnut Hill Avenue

Attendance 18 of 18

1. Yes, as long as the proposed system doesn't end up costing more. It would be helpful to know what the experiences of municipalities who have adopted the system have been.

2. TMM-Pct. 14 (2004-present), Advisory Committee (1999-2007); President, Brookline Chamber of Commerce (2007-present); Past President, Brookline Rotary Club; real estate attorney practicing in Brookline since 1991; homeowner since 1973; LL.M (tax law), BU School of Law; volunteer attorney, Brookline Legal Assistance Bureau, providing free legal consultations to seniors at the Brookline Senior Center; Board of Directors, Brookline Improvement Coalition, a community housing development organization providing low income housing to qualified residents.

Cameron S. Merrill / 119 Eliot Street, Apt. 1 / (New)

1. Pay-as-you-throw is an opportunity for Brookline to lead in providing green friendly services in a cost effective manner. Brookline should adopt programs, which require social responsibility, while also being mindful of the costs these programs may impose on home owners and families in these difficult economic times. In that connection, the proposal deserves further scrutiny by Town Meeting.

2. Lifelong Precinct 14 resident; son of Michael and Chou Chou; Heath School and BHS; Trinity College, BA Philosophy, 2006; New England Law, Candidate for JD 2009; Intern, Law Offices of Robert Allen 2007-2008, Student Prosecutor Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, 2008.

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Palma Zordan Spunt / 29 Eliot Street / Attendance 17 of 18

1. Yes, I do support PAYT. The system proposed will force citizens to be more aware of the wastes they generate. We all can be more conscious in our use, reuse and recycling of resources. Would add an incentive for citizens with space to introduce a home compost barrel. Also introduce community compost containers in parks.
2. Homeowner Precinct 14 since 1988, resident since 1982. Widow of Malcolm Spunt (brother of Shepard). Two sons, Benjamin and Nathan, educated in Brookline Schools. TMM 7 years. Active member, Temple Ohabei Shalom. Former system engineer IBM; now employed in administration at Shriners Hospital for Children.

John Carl Vrakas / 208 Winthrop Road., #1 / (New)

1. I am a strong proponent of increasing recycling and reducing disposal taxes, however I would encourage Brookline to consider innovative ways to achieve these goals outside of the standard pay-per-bag programs. Everett's program works by rewarding households that do recycle with coupons to local businesses. Everett has since tripled its recyclables intake, reduced trash disposal costs by \$150,000, and avoided fining local landlords for their tenants 'illegal' bags of trash.
2. M.S. Optical Engineering (Rochester), worked for Obama's campaign in Brookline, volunteer for Mass Down Syndrome Society and Boston Cares; member of the Sierra Club and Amnesty International. Employed as business development specialist in telecommunications.

PRECINCT 15 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Edwin Alexanderian / 945 Hammond Street

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1. No.
2. Education: MBA, Xavier College. Profession: CEO, Invisible Touch Inc., Groupe Export/Import Inc. and BLTECH. MD. Affiliation: Wildlife Carapace for Healing. Readers Digest recognition for supporting Mother Theresa in Europe and the Far East.

Nancy Diane Guzelian / 43 Heath Hill

Attendance 15 of 18

1. Need more information.
2. Professional background in family life and economics. As a retired educator with 40 years experience in K-12, college and community activities I feel qualified to make common sense decisions on daily life issues. The pervasive fiscal crisis facing the country warrants proficiency in this area. For our town, we must eliminate waste before we fire workers. Each department must tell us where to cut. A major problem today: schools often do not acknowledge that the basics are essential to the common sense thinking needed in solving problems. Curriculums have subjects that sound good on paper but have no redeeming value.

Richard Nangle / 854 Hammond Street

Attendance 12 of 18

1. I do not. I think people have paid enough for all manner of services in this town.
2. Employment: MassHighway communications. Former Department of Social Services spokesman. Former reporter for Worcester Telegram & Gazette. Member of Brookline Homeowners and Horace James Civic org. Journalism degree — UMass/Amherst. Graduate of Dedham High School.

James C. Rourke, Jr. / 679 Hammond Street

Attendance 13 of 18

1. I do not support this program.
2. Occupation: teacher, Boston Public Schools. Married: wife Carol, 2 children, Nichole, 27 and Brittany, 21. Education: BA English, UMass/Amherst; MA Eastern Nazarene College.

Ab Sadeghi-Nejad / 125 Arlington Road

Attendance 18 of 18

1. PAYT has two potential merits: increased recycling and "a fairer method of paying for trash collection". However, it might have unintended consequences. It adds another step, and potentially extra cost, to the process, and is cumbersome for citizens and the Town. It needs careful studies prior to implementation.
2. Brookline homeowner and resident 33 years. TMM 18 years, Advisory Committee 6 years. Married, both children attended Baker and BHS. University of Chicago M.D., M.S. Professor of Pediatrics, Tufts University School of Medicine. Chief, Division of Pediatric Endocrinology, Floating Hospital for Children, Tufts Medical Center.

PRECINCT 16 Candidates for Three Year Term Vote for Five

Robert L. Allen (New) / 296 Russett Road

1. Brookline has been proactive in seeking ways to increase recycling and must continue to do more. Pay as you throw may be an opportunity, but we must balance the benefits against the costs to the home owner. We should have a clearer understanding of the proposal before making a decision.
2. Lifelong resident; married: Kenna Conley; children: Leila (6 yrs); Cooper (3 yrs) and Brooke (4 months); Board of Selectman 9 years, Chair 3 years; former TMM; Park and Recreation Commission; Baker School Site Council; Open Space Task Force. Baker and BHS; BA, N.U.; JD, New England Law; general practice in Brookline Village.

Eileen Connell Berger / 112 Wolcott Road

Attendance 18 of 18

1. Pay-as-you-throw is a volume based refuse disposal fee. The snappy title implies lessening one's carbon foot print. However I believe that town-wide efforts to educate the public to reduce refuse and energy consumption are far more cost effective and equitable remedies for

families concerned about the environment.

2. As the only woman candidate in precinct 16, I bring decades of experience as a working Mom, a full time educator from urban schools to my current position at Harvard Graduate School of Education; TMM; environmentalist and chair of the Commission for the Disabled; committed to representing my neighborhood and community.

Thomas J. Gallitano / 146 Bonad Road

Attendance 18 of 18

1. I do support PAYT. As contemplated, it is a more equitable method of charging individuals than our current system. Moreover, I believe PAYT eventually will result in reducing the amount of trash in landfills.
2. Attorney in private practice in Boston; Chair, MCAD Advisory Board; married to Margaret Talmers, and father of three—Alex (BHS '08), Lia (BHS Sophomore) and Nicholas (Baker 6th Grade). I have served in Town Meeting since 2002 and wish to continue to contribute to Brookline civic affairs through Town Meeting.

Joshua D. Safer / 223 Bonad Road / Attendance 18 of 18

1. I am on the Climate Action Committee and a strong supporter of recycling. Pay-as-you-throw will result in more recycling. However, I want to avoid rules that are difficult to follow. Pay-as-you-throw will be great if the system remains easy.
2. I am a physician at Boston University Medical Center. I am married to Orna Safer, a family-law attorney. We have 3 children at Baker School. I serve on the Transportation Board and the South Brookline Neighborhood Association. I have been active in making the neighborhood more pedestrian friendly and improving cell phone coverage without building large towers.

Arthur Sneider / 223 Beverly Road / Attendance 18 of 18

1. I do support PAYT. Our community, just as communities all over our country and our planet, must begin to implement serious and creative ways to encourage recycling and overall conservation of resources.
2. My wife Rebecca and I were born and raised in Brookline and are products of the Brookline Schools. Rebecca is a guidance counselor at the Runkle School. I am an attorney with my own firm in Brookline. We have three children, two at the Baker School. For five years I was a prosecutor of child abuse and domestic violence cases as an Assistant District Attorney in Norfolk County.

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