Survey focused on Digital Offerings

- 1. How much have you missed the Belmont Public Library?
 - a. Wait a minute... was the library closed?
 - b. A little
 - c. A lot
 - d. I'm outside of the building right now holding a stereo over my head!
- 2. What have you missed the most about the Library?
 - a. Browsing physical materials
 - b. Coming to programs
 - c. Seeing the staff
 - d. Using the computers etc.
 - e. Getting some quiet work done
- 3. What digital resources have you used while the Library has been closed, check all that apply.
 - a. Virtual Programming
 - b. Overdrive Ebooks
 - c. Libby -Ebooks
 - d. Audiobooks
 - e. Hoopla -Ebooks, Movies, Music
 - f. Kanopy Movies and Great Courses
 - g. Acorn TV British Television
 - h. Current Newspapers / Magazines
 - i. Historic Newspapers / Documents
 - j. Recommendations for Library Staff
 - k. Other Databases available through our website
 - i. If so, which ones. (Text Box)
- 4. What resources have you been using THE MOST from a distance (please rank the top 3
 - a. Virtual Programming
 - b. Overdrive Ebooks
 - c. Libby -Ebooks
 - d. Audiobooks
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- 5. If the Library could increase offerings in a specific area, what would be your top choice?
 - a. Ebooks

- b. Audiobooks
- c. Streaming TV / Movies
- d. Digital Magazines
- e. Items in the Library of Things
- f. Additional Newspapers and Periodicals
- g. Some of the other items in Questions 3 and 4? Which One? Text Box
- 6. Something else (Text Box)Do you know what the Library of things is? (Or could ask Have you ever borrowed anything from the library of things and make choices Yes, No and What is the Library of Things??)
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
- 7. Where there any services that we offered during the closure that you think we should offer permanently?
 - a. Virtual programming
 - b. More digital offerings (More or "Expanded")
 - c. Curbside pickup of materials
 - d. More Homebound Delivery

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- 8. Demographics Questions my age is:
 - a. Under 18
 - b. Between 18-35
 - c. Between 36-45
 - d. Between 46-55
 - e. Between 56-65
 - f. 65+
- 9. Demographics Question: Check all that apply In my home we have (include yourself):
 - a. Children age 0-5
 - b. Children age 6-10
 - c. Children age 11-13
 - d. Teenagers age 14-19
 - e. Children/Adults in their 20s
 - f. Adults in 30s-40s
 - g. Adults 50-65
 - h. Adults 65+
- 10. What services do you see at the Library now that you'd like to see more of in the next five years? Text Box

What services would you be interested in seeing at the Library in the next 5 years that you don't see now? Text Box

Date	Time	Staff Member	Program	Age	Live? Recorded?	# of Attendees
4/7/2020	1:00 PM		-p		Live	10
4/14/2020	1:00 PM				Live	8
4/15/2020	2:00 PM				Live Live	4 5
4/15/2020	7:00 PM 3:00 PM			Kids	Live	75
4/21/2020	1:00 PM			Adults	Live	9
4/22/2020				Kids	Live	35
4/25/2020	10:00 AM	Corinne		Adults	Live & Recorded	16
4/28/2020	1:00 PM		opanion ones		Live	9
4/28/2020 4/29/2020	7:00 PM 3:00 PM			Adults Kids	Live Live	16 30
4/29/2020	5:00 PM			Adults	Live & Recorded	16
4/30/2020	7:00 PM				Live	18
5/1/2020				Adults	Live	7
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	10:00 AM			Kids	Live	25
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5/13/2020				Adults	Live	3
5/14/2020				Adults	Live & Recorded	13
5/15/2020	12:30 PM	Corinne	Knitting Club	Adults	Live	9
5/16/2020				Kids	Live	80
5/18/2020				All Ages		8
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5/20/2020	5:00 PM			Adults	Live	25 9
5/21/2020	5:30 PM			Adults	Live & Recorded	19
5/21/2020		Chris/Lauren		Adults	Live	2
5/22/2020	12:30 PM	Corinne	Knitting Club	Adults	Live	9
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5/27/2020				Adults	Live	11
5/28/2020	5:30 PM		Cooking Class	Adults	Live & Recorded	20
5/29/2020			Knitting Club	Adults	Live	8
6/1/2020	2:00 PM	Corinne	Craft & Chat	All Ages	Live	5
6/2/2020			Spanish Club	Adults	Live	5
	10:00 AM		Music and Movement with Rubi	Kids	Live	21
	10:00 AM 12:30 PM		Concert with Emily Hall Knitting Club	Kids Adults	Live Live	30 9
	12:30 PM		Tai Chi, Level 1	Adults	Live	9 28
6/8/2020	2:00 PM		Craft & Chat	All Ages		5
	10:00 AM		Puppet Show with Leigh Baltzer	Kids	Live	34
6/9/2020	1:00 PM	Nancy	Spanish Club	Adults	Live	9
	10:00 AM		Storytime with Deborah	Kids	Live	10
6/10/2020	5:00 PM		Tai Chi, Level 2	Adults	Live & Recorded	16
	10:00 AM 12:30 PM		Music and Movement with Rubi Knitting Club	Kids Adults	Live	31 9
6/15/2020	2:00 PM		Craft & Chat	All Ages	2000	2
6/16/2020	1:00 PM		Spanish Club	Adults	Live	5
6/16/2020	3:00 PM		Architecture with Pop Up Art School	Kids	Live	10
6/17/2020	10:30 AM	Deb	Baby Sign Language with Sheryl White	Kids	Live	4
	3:00 PM		Becca's Feat on Feet	Kids	Live	55
		Chris/Lauren	Nonfiction Book Club	Adults	Live	0
	11:00 AM 12:30 PM		Concert with Matt Heaton Knitting Club	Kids Adults	Live Live	30 10
	10:00 AM		Tai Chi. Level 1	Adults	Live	10
	11:00 AM		Books & Bites with Nina Sankovitch	Adults	Live & Recorded	
6/22/2020	2:00 PM		Craft & Chat	All Ages		4
6/23/2020	10:00 AM	Deb	Puppet Show with Leigh Baltzer	Kids	Live	35
6/23/2020			Spanish Club	Adults	Live	8
6/23/2020		Deb/Corinne	Pond Talk with Habitat	All Ages		20
6/24/2020	10:00 AM 5:00 PM		Music and Movement with Rubi Tai Chi. Level 2	Kids Adults	Live Live	38 12
	10:00 AM		Concert with Emily Hall	Kide	Live	12
6/26/2020			Knitting Club	Adults	Live	8
	2:00 PM		Craft & Chat	All Ages	Live	3
		Corinne	Thru-Hiking the Appalachian Trail	Adults		
	1:00 PM		Spanish Club	All Ages	Live	
	3:00 PM		Habitat - Ready for Reptiles?!	Kids		
			Virtual Trivia Night	All Ages		
	10:00 AM		Tai Chi, Level 1	Adults Adults		
	10:00 AM 11:00 AM		Practice Your English II Practice Your English I	Adults		
				Adults		
	7:00 PM		Nonfiction Book Club	Adults		
	10:00 AM			Adults		
7/20/2020	11:00 AM	Nancy	Trades and angles and	Adults		
	3:00 PM		Book Discussion: Light Between Oceans			
	11:00 AM			Adults		
		Corinne			Live Live	
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		Corinne	Tai Chi, Level 2	Adults		
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			Total Programs	Total "Kids" Programs		Total "All Ages" Programs
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235	163		25	7	17	
June "Kids"	June "Adults"	June "All Ages"	June	June "Kids"	June "Adults"	June "All Ages"
314	139	36	35	13	15	
July "Kids"	July "Adults"	July "All Ages"	July	July "Kids"	July "Adults"	July "All Ages"
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Title	IGTV Views FB View	/s	Total Views	All Videos, Total Videos Total Views			Views are current as of	
Bubble, Bubble, Pop!	265		265	3	7	5839	June 23, 2020	
Two Little Monkeys	190							
Tea Break	198							
Where is Bunny?	171	180	351					
Let's Make a Sandwich	175							
Hippos Go Berserk	157	180	337					
Little Mouse, Little Mouse	171							
Silly Hat	133	129	262					
Good Morning!	92	128	220					
Bee-Bim-Bop!	81	122	203					
5 Little Hot Dogs	107	78	185					
What's the Weather Like?	139	92	231					
Hippo on the City Bus	80	87	167					
Dear Zoo	86	123	209					
Toast in the Toaster Muncha! Muncha!	68	93	161					
Muncha!	60	68	128					
Boo Hoo Baby	60	77	137					
Night Pirates	34	77	111					
Grumpy Bird	49	73	122					
I Love Tacos	68	113	181					
Zoom, Zoom, Zoom	69	69	138					
Mother, Father, and Uncle John	74	45	119					
Little Red Wagon	45	64	109					
Here is a Bag Part 1	62	79	141					
Here is a Bag Part 2	40	66	106					
Little Mousie Brown	53	83	136					
Red Light, Green Light	63	90	153					
Mama's Sleeping	65	84	149					
Charlie Chick	95	55	150					
Quack Hello	54	107	161					
Dance your Fingers Sam Who Never	69	97	166					
Forgets	56	86						
Here is a Beehive	72	79						
Bag of Bugs	128	109						
5 Plump Peas	135	89						
If you Plant a Seed	50	68	118					
Our Hands Say Thank You	92	77						
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Framework for Library Budget Considerations and Discussion

The Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners outlines several criteria for operation and certification. If a library does not meet these requirements, then they face losing certification.

To be a certified by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, the library must:

- 1. Meet the Municipal Appropriation Requirement (Our current FY21 is within 80K of failing to meet the MAR)
- 2. Meet the minimum standards of free public library service
- 3. Remain open a minimum number of hours per week
- 4. Allow non-resident borrowing
- 5. Expend a percentage (based on population) of the municipal appropriation on materials
- 6. Have a Director with a Master's Degree in Library Science

By meeting these State requirements, the Town of Belmont receives the following benefits:

- 1. The Library is allowed continued membership to the Minuteman Library Network which in turn allows interlibrary loans, reciprocal borrowing privileges and free use of other libraries for Belmont patrons.
- 2. The Library is allowed access to grants and ensures yearly state funding. Belmont Library usually receives in the range of \$25,000 \$35,000 per year.

If a library or community does not meet these requirements, participation in the state program and in a consortium will be denied. This includes access to many state databases, curriculum, advocacy, the state aid funding, and most importantly our interlibrary loan program and connection with the Minuteman Library Network, of which Peter is a member of the Executive Board. It would be a challenging path to gain back certification. Requires 5 years of demonstrated progress and attainment of requirements.

In instances of extreme hardship, towns may apply for a waiver to retain access to these programs and services.

- Waivers require significant documentation from the community outlining the specific issue (in this case
 the budget in the COVID19 era). Attestations must be provided by senior municipal employee as well as
 from the library Director and Trustees
- Only 10 waivers per current guidelines will be granted statewide per year
- Waivers are for a specific issue and duration. Materials that must be submitted include detailed budgets
 for the year in question as well as budget details for forthcoming years to demonstrate that there is an
 agreed to and committed plan to remedy the issue

Focusing specifically on #1 above (The Municipal Appropriations Requirement) The MAR requires that the budget continues to grow year over year by 2.5%. If the FY21 budget was set to meet the MAR only, a lack of a 2.5% increase in FY22 would require we go through the waiver process.