

## FIREFIGHTER/EMT

**General Statement of Duties:** Performs responsible fire suppression, rescue, emergency medical and incident response activities.

## DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS

An employee in this class performs work in the operation, installation, maintenance, and repair of large and specialized equipment and machinery in the water treatment plant. Work involves the responsibility for maintaining pumps, motors, clarifiers, chlorinators, filters, and other related plant equipment. Work requires knowledge of trade skills in mechanical, plumbing, electrical, and electronic areas. Work is performed under the general supervision of the Superintendent or Senior Plant Operator. Work is evaluated in terms of effectiveness in returning equipment to proper operating conditions within given time schedules, and overall effectiveness of system performance.

#### **DESIRED EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE**

Graduation from high school supplemented or an equivalent combination of experience and education.









## **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND TASKS**

- Participates in incident response, including fire suppression, emergency medical, hazardous
  materials, and technical rescue calls; operates fire apparatus and other equipment as
  required; assists with vehicular rescue and extrication, and light rescue duties; participates
  in remediation activities of chemical spills hazardous materials, and other related incidents.
- Responds to emergency medical incidents and provides first responder-level service.
- When needed and qualified, drives apparatus to the incident scene; properly places
  apparatus to establish a water supply or other needs; ensures proper operation and
  pressure of hoses; issues equipment and monitors radio traffic for necessary response;
  returns fire apparatus and related equipment to service after incident response;
  participates in other post-incident operations of cleaning and salvage.
- Maintains, cleans, and cares for the fire station and equipment to ensure readiness, condition, and proper appearance; performs routine maintenance and servicing of equipment, including washing and waxing trucks; checks fluid levels and proper operations of all apparatus and equipment on apparatus.
- Participates in the mechanical maintenance, repair, and testing of hoses, pumpers, hydrants, and other related activities.
- Participates in training for fire, emergency medical, hazardous materials, and related emergency services as directed by the City.
- Performs fire hydrant surveys and inspections as required.
- Participates in pre-fire planning surveys and inspections.
- Assists in fire prevention and/or public fire safety education programs and related duties.
- Participates in special projects, station tours, special events, fire prevention, public education, and other activities as required.
- Performs other related duties as required.









## REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

- Considerable knowledge of modern methods of fire suppression and of the use and maintenance of firefighting apparatus and equipment.
- Considerable knowledge of incident response including response to hazardous materials spills, rescue techniques, and emergency medical service calls.
- Working knowledge of the application of information technology to the work.
- Working knowledge of the hazards of firefighting and appropriate safety precautions.
- Working knowledge of departmental rules and regulations.
- Working knowledge of housing construction materials and methods.
- Some knowledge of the City of Belmont roads, streets and layout.
- Skill in the operation and maintenance of required tools, equipment and apparatus.
- Skill in collaborative conflict resolution, teamwork, and public contact.
- Skill in the driving and operation of fire apparatus and department equipment.
- Ability to make sound judgments in emergency situations.
- Ability to present public education programming to all ages.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, officials, supervisors, and members of the public.
- Ability to prepare manual and electronic records of work activities.









## JOB RELATED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be able to physically perform the basic life functions of climbing, balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching, crawling, reaching, pushing, pulling, lifting, grasping, feeling, talking, and hearing.
- Must be able to perform very heavy work, exerting up to 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 50 pounds of force frequently, and/or up to 20 pounds of force constantly to move objects.
- Must possess visual acuity to size up the color, volume, and extent of fire involvement at fire scenes, operate heavy fire apparatus in emergency situations, and prepare records and reports.

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Possess a valid class B North Carolina driver's license within twelve months of hire.
- Possess an NC Firefighter I/ II certification.
- Possess a North Carolina EMT certification within twelve months of hire.











#### **CITY INFORMATION**

1401 E. Catawba St, Belmont, NC 28012 Established: 1895

Population: 15,010

Number of Full Time Employees: 185

#### CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Pro Tem: Jim Hefferan Councilwoman: Kathryn Lewis Councilman: Jason Rumfelt Councilman: Alex Szucs

Councilman: Charles Hill

#### MISSION STATEMENT

City of Belmont provides visionary leadership and high-quality city services to create a community of choice for our residents, visitors, and employees.

#### WHO ARE WE?

Trace Belmont's historic roots and you'll find a distinguished textile and railroad hub that was home to the North Carolina textile industry's entrepreneurial legends. Mill-era charisma and upstanding community character pulse through Belmont today. Generation after generation has nurtured this bold spirit and creative spark to make way for a thriving historic downtown brimming with passionate local merchants and a burgeoning outdoor recreation scene. This vitality empowers Belmont citizens, entrepreneurs, and community leaders to continue advancing the city toward an ever vibrant and exciting future.

# DOWNTOWN CULINARY & BUSINESS SCENE

- Belmont's historic and hip downtown invites you to explore the restored turn-of-the-century storefronts that are bursting with vibrant local boutiques, shops, and eateries.
- Downtown Belmont is a highly walkable culinary hotspot with nearly 20 locally owned restaurants, cafés, cocktail bars, and craft breweries in less than a single square mile.
- Visitors and residents experience the palpable, upbeat energy in this charismatic river city.

#### RECREATION

- Belmont is a recreation refuge for a multitude of land and water activities that appeal to all ages and abilities. It's the perfect basecamp for adventure and active living in a relatively compact urban environment.
- Belmont is for pedalers: with in-town mountain biking at Rocky Branch Park, 50 miles of single-track at the U.S. National Whitewater Center, and a healthy road cycling scene.
- Belmont is for paddlers: with the mighty Catawba Rivers to the
  east and west, and Lake Wylie to the south, Belmont is a flatwater
  paddler's paradise. The Belmont Rowing Center and Loftin
  Waterfront Park maximize these resources. The nearby
  Whitewater Center affords access to national-class whitewater
  kayaking & rafting.
- Belmont is for pedestrians: Opportunities abound for runners, hikers, and walkers of all abilities. Hike miles of trail at Rocky Branch, the Whitewater Center, and Crowder's Mountain State Park. Take the Carolina Thread Trail and soon, the Belmont Rail-Trail for a less technical journey.
- Belmont is home to the celebrated Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden which offers the perfect setting for a scenic stroll.



## **COMMUNITY & LIVABILITY**

- Belmont offers the best of both worlds: access to the Charlotte job market with competitive wages in an urban career and the comfort of small-town life.
- Belmont is easily accessible: enjoy the convenience of multi-modal transportation including Charlotte-Douglas International Airport, Interstate-85, and the future Lynx light rail.
- We are a friendly, multi-generational community of neighbors that values diverse backgrounds and new perspectives, so bring your dreams and your big ideas.
- Welcome to a community of thinkers and doers. Entrepreneurs, creatives,
  place-makers, and enthusiastic volunteers freely lend their time and talents
  to create a distinctive cultural landscape and work hard for the continued
  success of the city they love

## CULTURE, ARTS, & HERITAGE

- A culture of craftsmanship, respect for our heritage, and a deep sense of commitment to each other are the common threads that weave the community together.
- We are proud of Belmont's rich textile and railroad history that is still visible today throughout the city's architectural landscape: historic downtown storefronts, restored and repurposed mills, and quaint mill-village neighborhoods.
- Our community has been creating since 1895 and we celebrate this tradition of craftsmanship with unique traditions, festivals, and parades.
- Belmont Abbey College enriches the cultural landscape of the city with multiple performances and exhibitions each year from its renowned performing and visual arts programs.
- The Belmont community regularly gathers in downtown Stowe Park to enjoy concerts, events, and the company of neighbors.
- Proximity to Charlotte affords Belmont locals the ability to enjoy national sporting events and world-class cultural experiences and performances.







