



TOWN OF BREMEN  
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Jack Boak, Board Member  
Steven Wallace, Board Member  
David Adkins, Board Member  
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**Bremen Planning Board  
Meeting Minutes  
January 09, 2018 at 7:00pm – Bremen Town Office**

**I. ATTENDEES:**

**Bremen Planning Board Members:** Chairman Walter Voskian; Co-Chairman Tom Kronenberger; Jack Boak; Blair Kauffman; Steve Wallace; Cindi Hasty, Recording Secretary.

**Absent:** David Adkins; Autumn Mahoney; Selectmen Representative, Wendy Pieh.

**Members of the Public:**

II. Meeting called to Order at 7:00 p.m.

III. **Adjustments to Agenda**

None

IV. **Approval of Minutes**

*After determining that there were no corrections or amendments to the minutes, on a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve the December 19, 2017 Regular Planning Board Minutes. The minutes were signed by the members present.*

V. **Applications for Review**

VI. **Comments and Questions:**

VII. **New Business:**

Selectman Nevins had recently asked the Planning Board to consider the issue of a possible vendor ordinance, and accordingly the Planning Board did so under the guidance of Consultant Anne Krieg. The Planning Board began by recognizing that because this is not a land use issue the Planning Board agreed only to provide questions to the Selectmen on this issue that will require policy decisions on their part.

To start the substantive discussion, the Planning Board noted that the Selectmen should have a full understanding up front of what they wish to accomplish from such a regulation. For example, why does the Town wish to regulate this use: consumer health and safety? Also does the Town wish to restrict the activity to certain places in the interests of safety and limit such activity to public and/or private property?

Other things the Selectmen may wish to consider include the following:

- Ordinances such as this one typically apply to commercial activity on streets, right of ways, and Town properties. The issue is not necessarily considered zoning or land use. It provides for a permit to allow commercial activity on municipal property.
- As overseers of municipal properties, the Selectmen may be able to review, approve, or take action on such ordinances after a public noticed hearing without going to a Town Meeting if this ordinance applies to municipal properties and roads. The Selectmen may need the Town Attorney's view on this.
- Such an ordinance would not regulate food truck sales on private property; such activity would be regulated by the Land Use Ordinance.
- Local permits are required and should ensure that state permits have been acquired.

The Planning Board also posed additional questions for the Selectmen concerning exemptions and limitations.

- Does the Town want to limit these vendors to a certain area of town, or specific Town properties? This might require a map.
- Does the Town want to limit the areas for vendor use to intersections where on-street parking is on local roads because parking on shoulders may not be allowed on state roads?

- Does the Town want to exempt events sponsored by non-profits and holiday sales of trees and other items?
- Does the Town want to give preference to private non-profits?
- Does the Town want to allow moving vendors, such as ice cream trucks?
- Does the Town want to limit the vendor activity to certain time periods, such as tourist season?
- Does the Town want to limit the number of permits that it issues for street vendors?
- Does the Town want to limit ordinance to prepared food?

**On a motion duly noted and seconded that the Planning Board table making any recommendations to the Board of Selectmen until such time that the Board of Selectmen have clarified the questions posed by MCRPC Consultant, Anne Krieg.**

**Vote: 6-0 Motion passes unanimously.**

On a separate item, Selectman Nevins also asked the Planning Board to look into restricting the duration recreational vehicles in Bremen may be occupied during the course of a year. The sense of the Planning Board was that such a restriction could be accomplished by amending the definition of "Recreational Vehicle" as it appears on page 63 of the adopted Land Use Ordinance.

#### **VIII. Old Planning Board Business:**

Chairman Voskian noted that he attended the 21 December Board of Selectmen meeting where brought the Board up to date on the Planning Board deliberations and findings. The 4 January Board of Selectmen's meeting was canceled due to inclement weather and has been rescheduled for 11 January at 5:00 pm prior to the Town Meeting at 7:00 pm.

On another issue, with the resignation of Dede Heath as an alternate member the Planning Board is now in need of two alternate members. As noted last month, our needs for alternates will be even greater into the winter months.

**IX. Meetings/Events Calendar**

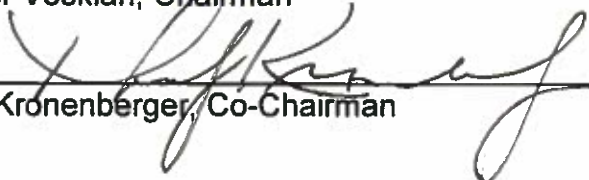
**February 02, 2018** – Applications for building permits to be considered at the next Planning Board meeting must be filed with the Town Office by 2:00 p.m.

**February 11, 2018** – Site Plan Visits (if any) 3:00 p.m.

**February 13, 2018** – Planning Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. Bremen Town Office.

**BREMEN PLANNING BOARD:**

  
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Respectfully submitted,  
Cynthia Hasty  
Recording Secretary