

**TOWN OF BREMEN
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
JULY 18, 2019**

Selectpersons present: Wendy Pieh, John Marsh, Henry Nevins
Public: Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board; Mary Voskian,
Bremen Town Project Committee; Ann Nesslage, Bremen
Conservation Commission; Steve Barnes; Walter Radloff;
Christa Thorpe; Sam Hafford; Brian Withers; Jack Mohr;
Alan Hinsey and Randall Manning, Tidewater (LCI)
Fiberoptic; Phil Congdon; Candy Congdon, The Lincoln
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The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board Chair, advised that at their July 9th meeting, they elected officers, reviewed the checklist for permit applications and violations of the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. Walter also indicated he has concern with the inconsistency of enforcement of code violations. The Selectmen indicated there is a process; however, the Selectmen are accountable as well. Selectperson Wendy Pieh spoke about a sample building permit for CEO permits only.

Mary Voskian, Bremen Town Center Project Committee, advised that the Committee has been visiting sites to look at children's play/recreation areas. The Committee has requested the Town mow a trail and circular area of the proposed site at the Town Center. Selectman Nevins advised there would be an additional cost to the Town for this mowing.

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission, asked if there had been any progress on replacing the backstop at the ballfield. Selectman Nevins advised he had done some research, and it would cost \$10,000 to \$15,000 to replace the backstop. Ann asked if the backstop could be removed or if there was some way to make it safe.

Alan Hinsey and Randall Manning from Tidewater (LCI) Fiberoptic were in attendance to speak about fiberoptic service to the Town. LCI stated that 23 miles of fiber needs to be built in Bremen. LCI is proposing to apply for a grant from Connectme. The cost to run the fiber would be \$400,000 with Tidewater funding \$200,000, Connectme grant funding \$150,000, and the Town of Bremen funding \$50,000. The Town would get no return for its funding of \$50,000. If LCI does not get a Connectme grant, they will install fiber road by road at a cost of \$15,000 to \$25,000 per mile. When asked, LCI stated that they do offer seasonal service at a reduced rate.

Selectman Nevins advised that the Town will purchase grub treatment for Hillside and Weston Cemeteries.

The Selectmen indicated that they are working on payment for the Storer Road Landing. Selectman Marsh formally thanked Steve Barnes for working on this project.

The solar panel project was reviewed. The Town is awaiting two additional proposals.

The Selectmen reviewed the annual Agreement with Midcoast Humane.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to sign the Agreement with Midcoast Humane.

Selectman Marsh stated that the Animal Control services through the Sheriff's Office are very good.

There was a request for use of the Hay Conservation & Recreation Area for a short wedding ceremony. The wedding is scheduled for September 7. The participants would be required to provide the Town with insurance. This would be for a ceremony only and not a party. The area would not be closed to the public at this time.

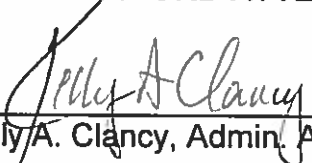
There was discussion regarding a property for sale on Spruce Point Road. The Selectmen and Conservation Commission will meet to walk the property at a later date.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of 7/02/2019 and 7/10/2019.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve the Warrants of 7/12/2019 and 7/19/2019.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:



Kelly A. Clancy, Admin. Asst.

BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Wendy Pieh, Chair



John Marsh



Henry Nevins