## TOWN OF BREMEN SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 15, 2020

Selectpersons present:

Public:

Wendy Pieh, John Marsh, Henry Nevins

Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board; Mary Voskian, Bremen Town Center Project Committee; Walter Radloff; Joe Vitti; Mary Ellen Barnes; Anne Stires; Ann Nesslage,

**Bremen Conservation Commission** 

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

The meeting began with a presentation of Phase I, Bremen Town Center Project from Anne Stires, consultant. Phase I includes pollinator gardens with native plants, benches, an old boat carved out of wood, wooden stumps, and a mud kitchen. It will also include a shed for pots, pans, etc. for use with the mud kitchen. The library proposes to keep the key for the shed. Phase II may include a music wall, weaving looms, and hill slides. Phase III may include a play house, hobbit homes and trails through the woods. An additional idea would be a shaded area with shading sails.

Selectman Nevins inquired about ADA accessibility. The consultant indicated it would be up to the Town to advise her.

Mary Ellen Barnes, Lincoln County Regional Planning Commission, indicated there are funding resources. Westport received a grant for a handicap trail and ADA designed picnic tables.

Walter Radloff asked what age of children would Phase I include. Phase I would be for children 0 to 8 years of age.

The consultant indicated the area would require adult supervision. When asked about trash pickup, the consultant indicated that people would become the stewards of the area.

The regular Selectmen's Meeting was brought to order at 5:04 p.m.

Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board, advised that the PB met on October 13. The PB amended their Bylaws to indicate that the PB members are paid a stipend. Also, the Bylaws were amended to state that the election of PB officers will take place after the Town elections. The PB also adjusted the submission deadlines for applications. For the October 13 meeting, they have an informal discussion regarding renovations on a Creek Road residence. They are seeking legal guidance regarding some inconsistencies with the Land Use Ordinance and Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Voskian advised that he has asked other PB members to take on some additional tasks.

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission (BCC), advised that Joan Ray will meet with the Selectmen via zoom to answer any questions regarding Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust taking over maintenance of the Hilton O'Connor Trail. The BCC and Friends of Clam Island would like the Town to purchase a metal sign for Clam Island.

The Selectmen advised that the solar project at the Fire Station has been completed.

There was a discussion regarding use of Town property by the Bremen Library. Any use of Town property by an outside organized group requires liability insurance be provided to the Town.

Meeting via Zoom for the Selectmen's Meetings was discussed. The Town will need to purchase a computer with a camera.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to purchase a laptop computer from our IT provider for Town business and Selectmen's Meetings in an amount up to \$1,200 out of the office equipment account.

Selectman Nevins advised that the Town requires some tree cutting on some of our Town roads.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to take approximately \$15,000 out of the road reserve account for tree trimming.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve the Public Hearing Minutes of 10/01/2020.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve the warrants of 10/09/2020 and 10/16/2020.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:50 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

Kelly A. Clancy, Admin. Asst

## **BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Wendy Pieh, Chair

John Marsh

Henry Nevins