

**TOWN OF BREMEN  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES  
VIA ZOOM  
NOVEMBER 19, 2020**

Selectpersons present: Wendy Pieh, John Marsh, Henry Nevins  
Public Via Zoom: Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board; Ann Nesslage,  
Mary Berger, Susan Davis, Walter Radloff, Bremen  
Conservation Commission; Joan Ray, Coastal Rivers  
Conservation Trust; Matthew Hanly; Autumn Mahoney;  
Joseph Shapiro; Judith Stephan; Cristina Stirratt; Paul  
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The meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m.

The meeting began with a discussion with the Bremen Conservation Commission as well as Joan Ray, representing Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust, regarding Coastal Rivers' desire to steward the Hilton O'Connor Trail at the Bremen Town Forest. Coastal Rivers currently stewards land in Bristol and South Bristol via a "handshake agreement." Coastal Rivers assesses properties and assigns a volunteer steward. The Trail has already been assessed and plans by Coastal Rivers are for bog bridging, a long-term culvert by the shore, and paint markers instead of plastic markers. Coastal Rivers will send a crew to complete the work. Per Joan Ray, if one of the volunteers was hurt during work on the Trail, they would be covered under the insurance for Coastal Rivers. When asked about the costs associated with any materials, Joan stated that Coastal Rivers hopes the Town will supply the funding. There was some discussion regarding grants. Joan was asked that Coastal Rivers provide a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town as an additional insured. Joan will look into this.

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to enter into a handshake agreement with Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust to steward the Hilton O'Connor Trail at the Bremen Town Forest, pending receipt of the requested insurance certificate.***

Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board, advised that the Planning Board met on November 10 via Zoom. They had two applications and approved the addition of two (2) dormers on a Webber Pond cottage. They tabled the second application, expansion of a structure on Greenland Cove Road, as it was unclear. The Planning Board will be switching to WebEx instead of Zoom for their virtual meetings. They will talk about revising their policy on conditional permits; they may declare the application incomplete and either table it or reject it.

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission, thanked Deputy Clerk Cheryl Ferrara for her write-up on the Hilton O'Connor Trail. They are very grateful.

Crissy Stirratt and Matthey Hanly spoke about the Broad Cove Learning Pod. The Pod would like to use part of Town property for recreational activities. The Town's insurance carrier has stated to the Town that this Pod is an organized group and must provide the Town with liability insurance when using Town property. Chairperson Pieh stated she will pursue this issue and work on the insurance.

Selectman Nevins stated he is working on next year's road budget. He is also working on renegotiating our snowplow contract.

The municipal e-mail system was discussed. The Selectmen are working on a policy.

There was discussion regarding donations in memory of Bremen Committee members who have passed away. A resident indicated donations to causes should not include taxpayer funds. The Selectmen tabled this issue for further discussion.

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of 11/05/2020.***

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve the warrants of 11/13/2020 and 11/20/2020.***

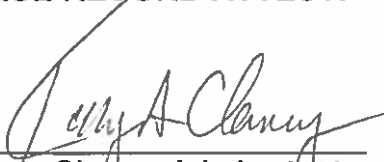
***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to go in to Executive Session at 5:35 p.m., pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(E), legal.***

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to go out of Executive Session at 5:57 p.m., pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(E), legal.***

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to expend funds from the Patriot Fund for the Needy in the amount of \$1,280.00 in additional support for the Waldoboro Food Pantry which serves Bremen residents.***

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:58 p.m.***

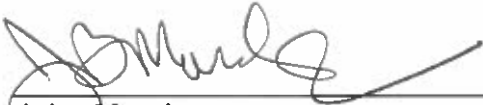
A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

  
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Kelly A. Clancy, Admin. Asst.

**BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**



Wendy Pieh, Chair



John Marsh



Henry Nevins