

**TOWN OF BREMEN  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES  
VIA ZOOM  
DECEMBER 18, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.**

Selectpersons present: Wendy Pieh, John Marsh, Henry Nevins  
Public Via Zoom: Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board; Ann Nesslage,  
Bremen Conservation Commission; Walter Radloff; Matthew  
Hanly, Christa Thorpe; Mary Berger; Elizabeth Read

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board, advised that the Planning Board had a productive session with Colin Clarke, Maine DEP shoreland zoning expert. They were discussing ambiguities in the State and Bremen Ordinances regarding expansion of nonconforming structures. Member Steve Wallace will prepare a summary of this session.

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission (BCC), advised that the group is continuing to work on trail descriptions for the website. Ann advised that Coastal Rivers is in the process of changing their insurance company and will provide the requested certificate of insurance in the near future. The BCC requested Deputy Clerk Cheryl Ferrara prepare an article on the history of the Hilton O'Connor Trail to be placed in the kiosk at the Town Forest. The BCC is very grateful and stated that Cheryl is a "treasure." The next meeting of the BCC is January 6.

Christa Thorpe advised that there is a lot going on with broadband in the Town. The group has asked for an excel spreadsheet listing seasonal addresses; the Town will work on this. There will be an update on broadband from the Committee in the near future.

Matthew Hanly advised that the Committee is reaching out to homeowners who have not yet applied. June 30, 2021 is the deadline for fiber to pass by all Bremen homes.

Mary Berger stated Bremen is a great town and "thank you to all volunteers."

Selectman Nevins advised that the Patriotic Club of Bremen is a great organization. They just made a donation to the Waldoboro Food Pantry as well as scholarships. They do not ask the Town for contributions. Selectman Nevins gave a congratulations and thank you to the Patriotic Club of Bremen.

The Selectmen will reschedule their meeting with CMP regarding LED street lights.

Pending real estate foreclosures were discussed.

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to postpone any further discussions on foreclosures until May 2021 with possible action taken in June 2021.***

Central Lincoln County Adult Education has requested financial assistance from AOS 93 participating towns, as COVID has disrupted their revenue. Christa Thorpe was in attendance to answer any questions the Selectmen may have. CLC Adult Ed has requested an additional \$1,519.75 from the Town for the 2021-2022 budget, for a total request of \$4,553.93. Selectman Nevins indicated that funds will be tight next year and is requesting all committees and charitable organizations not to increase their budgets or requests.

The Town received an e-mail from a Bremen Long Island resident requesting the Town road be cleared each spring. The road will be cleared in the spring.

The Selectmen discussed the new paid leave law beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>. The Town will research this to see how it is affected.

Selectman Nevins handed Wendy and John (Boe) a draft proposal for a policy on Town buildings and properties usage. This was tabled and not discussed, as there was not sufficient time to review it.

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 2:55 p.m., pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(A), personnel.***

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to go out of Executive Session at 3:18 p.m., pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(A), personnel.***


***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to increase the Administrative Assistant and Town Clerk's hourly pay rate by \$2.00 and the Deputy Clerk's hourly pay rate by \$1.00.***

***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 3:19 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 3:25 p.m., pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(E), legal.***


***On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 3:30 p.m.***

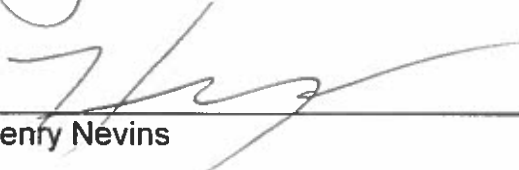
**A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:**

  
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Kelly A. Clancy, Admin. Asst.

**BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

  
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Wendy Pieh, Chair

  
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John Marsh

  
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Henry Nevins