

**TOWN OF BREMEN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
VIA ZOOM
MARCH 4, 2021**

Selectpersons Present: Wendy Pieh, Bo Marsh, Henry Nevins
Staff Present: Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk; Cheryl Ferrara, Deputy Town Clerk
Public Present via Zoom: Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission; Walter Voskian, Bremen Planning Board; Walter Radloff; Bisi Cameron Yee; Jody Shapiro

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Walt Voskian, Bremen Planning Board, advised that the next meeting of the PB will include an informal discussion and administrative actions. Three PB members attended a recent MMA course. Walt mentioned that Brian Withers discussed WebEx information "rooms" with the PB. The PB will research this. The PB has submitted its Annual Budget for review and the article for the Annual Town Report.

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission (BCC), discussed water from the Weston Memorial Spring on Biscay Road. The water is non-potable. The Selectmen discussed signage at the site and future possible actions. The Selectmen also discussed trees removal at the site. The Town has engaged a licensed arborist to check the trees and see which ones should be removed. The Selectmen will share the report with the BCC.

Ann asked about water quality in the stream at the end of Creek Road. The Selectmen discussed water quality testing that is currently being done in Broad Cove and the tributaries that empty into it. At the Hay Property, steps are in the works to take care of dog waste issues.

The BCC is considering a summer program on invasive species. Ann asked about promoting the event. Chairperson Pieh said the BCC qualifies to send out its information on the Town's email blast since it is a town entity.

The BCC also is discussing selling composting bins. This is something the group has done in the past as a fundraiser.

The Town Clerk suggested the Town might consider entering into a contract with a shredding company to handle old documents. She also reported on the Budget Committee. All members of the committee have been assigned. The committee is scheduled to meet at 2:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25.

Chairperson Pieh announced that Town Administrator Kelly Clancy has resigned. Because of COVID, the Selectmen cannot have a party to honor her years of service. Wendy asked those members of the community wanting to send regards to Kelly, send them to the Town Office where they will be collected and given to her.

The Selectmen announced that Town Clerk Melanie Pendleton will take on the responsibilities of treasurer and tax collector. The Board has hired Bobbi White as the new Deputy Town Clerk.

The Selectmen discussed distribution of the Annual Town report. Last year, the report was mailed due to COVID. Chairwoman Pieh asked the Town Clerk to look into the cost of mailing the report this year.

The Selectmen discussed budget items that will be increasing for the next fiscal year. Several contracted services will be raising their rates including county taxes, the Nobleboro transfer station and the snowplowing contractor.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Selectmen voted unanimously to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of 2/18/2021.


On a motion duly made and seconded, the Selectmen voted unanimously to approve the warrant of 2/26/2021.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Selectmen voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:24 p.m.


A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:


Cheryl Ferrara, Deputy Town Clerk

BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN


Wendy Pieh, Chair


John Marsh


Henry Nevins