

Town of Bremen
Conservation Commission Draft Minutes
Video Conference Call
October 6, 2021

BCC Members Present: Ann Nesslage, chair; Mary Berger; Susan Davis, Walter Radloff
BCC Associate Members Present:
Selectman Liaison Present:
Visitors Present:

The meeting was opened at 5:03 pm

Minutes,
September minutes were approved as amended.

Cameras recording all town meetings was brought up. More information is needed. BCC very happy with Zoom meetings. They function well especially since some members are away for months at a time.

Susan Davis reports that
Series of three informational meetings on invasive plants and insects were successful in many ways. Attendance was low but interest was high. Notification of the presentations via town email and Lincoln County News increased awareness of the issue. The Bremen Library and Coastal Rivers were great partners.

Sarah Gladu of Coastal Rivers a valuable resource for the community. She presented at two of the meetings and provided a speaker for the third. Very knowledgeable and accessible for questions about flora and fauna.

List of Bremen properties that will be on the town website is being worked on by Melanie, Town Clerk. The list organizes all properties in Bremen that are available to the public. Those not owned by the town are designated as such.

Weston Spring Property

Boe Marsh evaluated and from his perspective the area is a hazard and spring housing should be removed and spring filled in.
BCC would like to know what that means. Spring should be allowed to flow. Is this shoreland zoning, need a permit?

Several members agree that there is little value to the property: Access difficult, parking difficult, neighbors are very close, polluted etc.

It was noted that vegetation had been cut along the water's edge.
Neighbors should be informed that no cutting is allowed on the property. It was assumed that the cutting had been done by abutters.

Keep the area as natural as possible. Even though the property is small, 18 X 38, it should be an example of proper management of shoreline. Natural vegetation is desirable. Coastal Rivers can be a resource for this information

BCC strongly recommends there be a historical marker on the property

Trees on property. Town should check them periodically for safety of abutters.

Maine Association of Conservation Commissions conference is being held this month in Brunswick. Susan Davis and Mary Berger will attend. It is free of charge.

Adjourned 5:55 pm

Respectfully submitted by Susan Davis