

**TOWN OF BREMEN
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
VIA ZOOM AND IN-PERSON
May 18, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

Selectmen present: Wendy Pieh; Boe Marsh; Steve Page

Town Officials present: Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk

Public present: Bruce Poland, Fire Chief; Bonnie Poland; Rufus Teele; Eric Teele; Walter Radloff; Walter Voskian, Planning Board; Kerry Kohnert; Flip Breskin; Doug Breskin; Tom Papell; Henry Goldberg; Kim Hetherington; Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission; Tony Ferrara, Computer Man; Elizabeth Walztoni, Lincoln County News

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

The Board of Selectmen opened bids for the 1996 freightliner fire truck. The highest bid was NC Hunt Lumber at \$22,501.00.

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously accepted the bid of \$22,501.00 for the 1996 freightliner fire truck.

The Town Clerk said proceeds from the sale will be deposited in the fire truck reserve fund for a future purchase. The Selectmen signed the title as sellers.

The Town Clerk presented a contract for roadside mowing from Gary Castner. This year's contract request went up \$54.00 from \$13,052.00 last year to \$1,406.00.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the roadside mowing contract from Gary Castner for \$1,406.00.

Flip Breskin, sister of Kitty Breskin, presented information on the renaming of bridge #6472 in Bremen. The Maine Department of Transportation will be renaming the bridge as the Kitty Breskin-Muscongus Bridge. Kitty Breskin played an integral part in the design and construction of the bridge. The Kitty Breskin-Muscongus Bridge is located on Waldoboro Road near the Bremen-Bristol town line. Flip asked the Selectmen to send a letter to the MDOT to show their support for the bridge renaming and dedication in her sister's honor.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Select Chair Pieh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously approved writing a letter in support of renaming bridge #6472 to the Kitty Breskin-Muscongus Bridge.

The Town Clerk presented a request to appoint Gina Jones as a ballot clerk for the Municipal Election on June 24, 2023.

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously appointed Gina Jones as a ballot clerk for the June 24, 2023, Municipal Election.

Selectman Page gave an update on an LD2003 workshop to be held on June 5th. He will be attending. Select Chair Pieh said she also would like to attend and will RSVP for the workshop.

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission, said the group's meetings during the summer will be held in person at the Bremen Library and via zoom. Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust's workday will be held on Thursday. The Town Clerk reported that volunteers using chainsaws will not be covered by the Town's insurance. Tom Papell said the trash cans, signs and pails are in place at the Hay Property. He is working on the port-a-potties enclosure. There was very little garbage around the area.

Walter Voskian, Planning Board, reported on the May 9th PB meeting. The next PB meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 20th (moved due to the election), and the site visit date has been moved to Saturday, June 17th, to accommodate an applicant.

Henry Goldberg, Bremen Broadband Committee, reported on a meeting with Randal Manning from Tidewater Telecom. Selectman Marsh also attended the meeting. The company will work with the BBC to help connect the 12 households on Crab Apple Drive and Broad Cove Road.

Selectman Marsh discussed the MMA response to the question of requiring conduits for future new builds. MMA said the town does not have jurisdiction to require what someone must put in their own ground. The town, however, can make a suggestion on its permits.

Selectman Page reported on a discussion he had with the Sheriff's Office regarding surveillance cameras at the Hay Property and Town Landing. Eric Teele offered to look into the technology.

The Town Clerk reported that the Warden's boat repairs surpassed the \$1,000.00 allotted in October by the Selectmen.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Marsh and seconded by Select Chair Pieh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously approved paying the repair bill of \$1,262.76 for the Warden's board repairs.

The Town Clerk has been calling the MDOT regarding repairs from washouts on State roads in the area.

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously voted to approve the Selectmen's minutes of May 4, 2023, the Town Warrant of May 12, 2023.

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

Cheryl S. Ferrara
Cheryl Ferrara, Deputy Town Clerk

BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

W P P

Wendy Pieh, Chair

J B Marsh

John Marsh

S P Page

Stephen Page