

**TOWN OF BREMEN  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES  
VIA ZOOM AND IN-PERSON  
July 6, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

Selectmen present: Wendy Pieh; Boe Marsh; Steve Page

Town Officials present: Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk; Keena Cates, Deputy Town Clerk

Public present: Christina Stirratt; John Stirratt; Fred Lilly; Rheanna Sinnett; Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission; Kerry Kohnert; Walter Radloff; Walter Voskian, Planning Board; Eric Teele; Joanna Crispe; Zachary Howard; Debora Elliott; Justin Stailey; Sasha Tyburski; Sean Tyburski; Grace Rowland; Richard Rowland; Juanita Roushdy; Barbara Hansen; Faith Willcox; Tony Ferrara, Computer Man

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

***On a motion duly made by Selectman Boe Marsh and seconded by Selectman Steve Page, Select Chair Wendy Pieh was unanimously elected as board chairman for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.***

The Board of Selectmen signed a contract with Midcoast Humane in Brunswick, Maine.

Board Chair Pieh read a list of potential appointments to town positions and boards.

***On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously appointed the following: Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Registrar of Voters and Treasurer; Bruce Poland, Fire Chief; James Murphy, Jr., Town Assessor; James Corbett, EMS Director and Health Officer; Peter Goth, Central Lincoln County Ambulance Committee; Mark Stults, Code Enforcement Officer, Plumbing Inspector, and Shoreland Zoning Officer; Stan Waltz, Code Enforcement Officer, Plumbing Inspector, Addressing Officer and Shoreland Zoning Officer; and Melanie Gilbert, Harbor Master. For committees: John Marsh, Wendy Pieh and Rand Maker for Shellfish Committee; Rand Maker, Matthew Ryan and Kevin Dennison for Shellfish Wardens.***

***On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously appointed Mark Tenney as a member of the Planning Board until the term expires in 2025.***

The Town Clerk presented revisions to the CEO building application received from CEOs Stan Waltz and Mark Stults. The CEOs asked the Selectmen to approve the use of the new building application. Selectmen Marsh asked to table the issue until he could compare it with the existing building application. Selectman Page and Select Chair Pieh concurred.

Selectman Page addressed issues concerning road repair costs in relation to what the town has budgeted. Repairs, sealing and paving on Keene Neck Road are expected to be double what the town has budgeted. There is some money in road repair reserves, however; and after the town audit, Selectman Page will review the situation and see if a Special Town Meeting may be necessary to appropriate more money for road repair.

Select Chair Pieh announced that LD1706 was signed by Governor Mills on June 16, 2023, extending the deadline for implementation of LD2003 (Affordable Housing Program) to July 1, 2024. The Select Board instructed the Ordinance Review Committee to start working on how to implement LD2003.

The Board of Selectmen set the time and date of 12 noon on July 26, 2023, for the annual tax commitment and setting of the FY 2023-2024 mil rate.

The Board of Selectmen considered a request from John and Cristina Stirratt for a BYOB permit for a concert on Tuesday, July 11th, at 244 Nobleboro Road.

***On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously approved John and Cristina Stirratt's BYOB permit for 244 Nobleboro Road.***

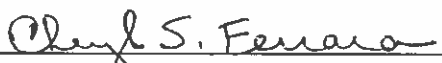
Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission, said the Hilton-O'Connor Trail was overgrown with all the rain, but she hoped to have it cleared by Chocolate Sunday (August 13). Coast Rivers Conservation Trust is looking at moving the trail slightly away from the area where erosion has occurred. Ann inquired about the billing for the map.

Walter Voskian, Planning Board, reported that the next PB meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 11th, with site visits on Sunday, July 9th. One application will be reviewed. Discussions ensued regarding changes to the Planning Board Bylaws and the use of Otter AI as minutes for the Planning Board. Walt will review the June meeting minutes and see if they better suit the board's needs.

***On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the Selectmen's minutes of June 15, 2023, and the Town Warrants of June 30, 2023, and July 6, 2023. Both Chairman Pieh and Selectman Page voted in favor. Selectman Marsh had to leave the meeting at 5:50 p.m.***

The meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

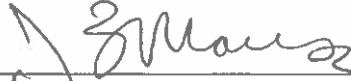
**A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:**

  
Cheryl Ferrara, Deputy Town Clerk

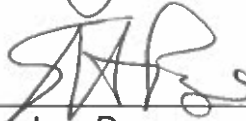
**BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**



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Wendy Pieh, Chair



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John Marsh



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Stephen Page