

**TOWN OF BREMEN
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
VIA ZOOM AND IN-PERSON
November 16, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.**

Selectmen present: Wendy Pieh; Boe Marsh; Steve Page

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

Public present: David Adkins, and Tom Papell, Road Commissioners; Susan Davis; Walter Voskian, Planning Board; Kerry Kohnert; Ricky Parlin; Debora Elliott; Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission; Eric Teele, Assistant Fire Chief; Walter Radloff; Johnathan Riley, Lincoln County News; Tony Ferrara, Computer Man

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

Select Chair Wendy Pieh discussed the work of the Ordinance Review Committee, including its work on the Land Use Ordinance to bring it into compliance with LD2003 for accessory housing. The ORC will be meeting at 1 p.m. on Monday, November 20.

The Fire Department's children's Christmas party has been set for December 10th. Assistant Fire Chief Eric Teele thanked the town for its financial support. Santa will be arriving at the Town Office around 5 p.m. that evening. Culinary treats will be provided by volunteers.

The winter tarp for the Town House has been installed. The new tarp with its permanent fastenings will make it easier to remove the tarp in the spring and reinstall it in the fall.

Select Chair Pieh read an email regarding the Bremen Library wreath sale. Wreaths are currently on sale at the Town House and are being made by volunteers at the Fire Station. Johnathan Riley of the Lincoln County News is writing a story about the wreath sale; and in fact, produced a wreath of his own.

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission, reported on plans to hold zoom meetings for the conservation map. She also discussed the BCC's efforts toward removing invasive species as a major project for the coming fiscal year. Ann confirmed that hunting is not banned on the Hilton O'Connor property, and caution signs are up for those using the trail.

Walter Voskian, Planning Board, reported on the November 14th meeting where the PB discussed its bylaws and changes suggested by Town Attorney Peter Drum. The board also shared thoughts regarding revising the Comprehensive Plan. The PB recommended to the Select Board that the Comprehensive Plan be reviewed. Walter

said the PB recommended the Select Board choose a committee consisting of a cross-section of the community to work on the project.

Resident Ricky Parlin, excavating contractor, discussed cutting / bushwacking / grinding on town-owned properties. Road Commissioner Tom Papell suggested the road through the Hay Property was overgrown and needed attention. Tom and Ricky will get together and discuss the work. The Select Board asked Ricky to give them an estimate after the discussion. The Town Clerk mentioned that brush work needed to be done on Storer Road. Tom agreed and added that Muscongus Road and Shore Road were not in need of immediate brush work.

Resident Walter Radloff asked about a power loss. Select Chair Pieh explained that an accident in Waldoboro on Route 32 took out the power for about three hours.

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approved the Board of Selectmen's minutes of November 2, 2023 and the town warrant of November 10, 2023.

The meeting moved into Executive Session for legal purposes at 5:30 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

Cheryl S. Ferrara
Cheryl Ferrara, Deputy Town Clerk

BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

W P D
Wendy Pieh, Chair

J Marsh
John Marsh

S Page
Stephen Page