

Town of Bremen  
Conservation Commission Video Conference Call  
November 5, 2025 5 pm

BCC Members Present: Ann Nessler, chair, Susan Davis, Naomi Martin,  
Walter Radloff

Associate member present:

Selectman Liaison Present: Tom Papell

Coastal Rivers Liaison: Joan Ray

Guests: Hal D'Alby

October minutes approved as amended

Hal d'Alby nominated and voted to be on BCC pending confirmation by BOS

**Coastal Rivers:Joan Ray**

Joan Ray retiring from Coastal Rivers. Brad Weigel will replace as liaison to BCC as needed. BCC thanks Joan for her dedication and advice on conserving land and best practices in Bremen.

Updates on trails. Sarah Weston Kent preserve trail has been started.

Boothby property next to Hillside trail. Management plan will be completed next spring and will determine new trails that will include Hillside property.

Presented cost and benefits to Bremen by land conserved by CRCT. BCC will share this information at a future date.

**Map of areas accessible to public will need to be updated with new properties next year.** BCC will budget accordingly,

**Hay Property mowing.** Continuing researching best practices. Discussion of agricultural use vs providing and preserving habitat for pollinators, and other insects and wildlife . Will have recommendation soon.

**Control of spotted knapweed on edges of Hay property discussed.** This invasive is a threat to the Hay Property if not managed. Will need to be weed whacked because of boulders lining road. Can this be added to J H contract?

**ME association of Conservation Commissions annual meeting :** attended by Naomi, Hal and Susie. This free program is a valuable source of info and resources.

**Comprehensive Plan** important for goals and plans. BCC encourages town to update the current plan

Tom Papell discussed land sold on Broad Cove. Twenty five houses in Waldoboro and 4 in Bremen are in an initial planning discussion. Bremen growth caps cannot apply to auxillary housing but can apply to new builds. His input is very helpful to BCC.

**Tree diseases. Hemlock, Ash and Beech on the rise.** Suggest assessment of town property for damage and management. Several state agencies ( Tree Keepers, State Forestry Department) were discussed as resources for this. A program for the public on tree diseases and control in Bremen was discussed.

Adjourned 6:20 pm

Respectfully submitted

Susan Davis