TOWN OF BREMEN
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
VIA ZOOM AND IN-PERSON
September 3, 2026 5:00 p.m.

Selectmen present:	Tom Papell, John "Boe" Marsh, Henry "Hank" Nevins
Town Representatives:	Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk, Keena Cates, Dept. Clerk
Public Representatives:	Ann Nesslage, BCC, Deb Elliott, Eric Teele, Fire Chief, Rufus Teele, Cheryl Ferrara, Mary Berger, Martha Frink, Walter Radloff, Susan Davis EMS Director, Jim Corbett, Emily Bracher, LCN and Tucker Phinney, New Harbor Marine Construction in person. Naomi Martin, and Jody Shapiro via ZOOM.

Chair Papell opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Chair Papell made an agenda adjustment to move New Harbor Marine Construction to the first item on the agenda to review and sign the contract.

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Marsh, to approve and sign the contract with New Harbor Marine Construction for the removal and replacement of the Town Landing dock.

So voted 3-0

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Nevins, to request the Ordinance Review Committee to fold the demolition Ordinance into the Land Use Ordinance.

So voted 3-0

On a motion made by Selectman Nevins and seconded by Chair Papell, to accept the donation of the dry hydrant from the Bremen Fire Department.

So voted 3-0

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Marsh, to appoint Floyd Gent to the Ordinance Review Committee.

So voted 3-0

On a motion made by Chair Papell, seconded by Selectman Marsh, for EMS Director Jim Corbett to move ahead with the vetting process for non-residents to join the Bremen First Responders.

So voted 3-0

Selectmen have requested further information from Hearty Roots as to why delayed in submitting before making a decision.

So voted 3-0

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission, the commission meeting had discussion on the property owner that was considering use of a toxic spray on their property. Selectman Marsh explained that the land owner has pledged not to use the toxic materials and is exploring other ways of removing the invasives. September 24th , from 1-3 pm, there will be a trail work day, this will be with Coastal Rivers and the work will be on Hart Woods. BCC may have a table at the Country Fair on October 7th.

Cheryl Ferrara, Comprehensive Plan Committee: There have been 222 surveys given/picked up/sent out to date with 34 returned which is 15% return rate. The committee would like to solicit photos from the public and committees to be added to the comp plan. The public forum will be held on October 7th, there will be two different times that day, first being at 11:00 am with the second at 5:00 pm.

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Marsh, to approve the mulching of the upper/left side of the Hay Property where the sumac and other invasive items have encroached into the field, for the cost of $1550 and the work to be done by Ricky Parlin.

So voted 3-0

Resident Martha Frink presented a petition to the Selectmen; this petition is requesting the Harbor Committee to review and determine what type and how many ladders to be installed at the Town Landing dock. The petition has 25 signatures.

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Nevins, to approve the warrant of August 28, 2026

So voted 3-0

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Nevins, to approve the minutes of August 20, 2026.

So voted 3-0

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Nevins, to enter into executive session at 6:07 pm to discuss personnel matter.

So voted 3-0

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Marsh, to Exit executive session at 6:22 pm.

So voted 3-0

On a motion made by Chair Papell and seconded by Selectman Marsh, to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

So voted 3-0

Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk

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Thomas Papell, Selectman

John Marsh, Selectman

Henry Nevins, Selectman