

**TOWN OF BREMEN
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
VIA ZOOM AND IN-PERSON
May 16, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.**

Selectmen present: Wendy Pieh; Boe Marsh; Steve Page

Town Representatives: Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk; Keena Cates, Deputy Town Clerk

Public present: Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission; Jack Mohr; Walter Radloff; Christa Thorpe, Bremen School Board Representative; Kerry Kohnert; Patrick Collins; Susan Davis; Debora Elliott; Jonathan Riley, Lincoln County News; Tony Ferrara, Computer Man

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m.

Select Chair Pieh reported on the Great Salt Bay budget meeting. Everything on the budget was approved as presented. Christa Thorpe, Bremen's School Board Representative, talked about the increases in the budget. There will be another informational session on June 20th with the superintendent for Bremen residents to hear about potential changes in Great Salt Bay Regional School's administration structure.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Boe Marsh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) appointed Kerry Payne, Jody Shapiro, Nicholas Delprete, and Debra Elliott to the Solar Committee.

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) appointed Sandra Thomas, Mary Sue Weeks, Gina Jones, Debra Elliott, Melanie Pendleton, Cheryl Ferrara, and Keena Cates as ballot clerks for the municipal election.

Select Chair Pieh announced that the state's primary election will be held on June 11th. Absentee ballots are now available. The Town Clerk said a link to request an absentee ballot can be found on the town's website or by calling the town office. Also, early voting is available at the Town Office.

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission, reported on a workshop and walk to address invasive species on town lands. The public is welcome to become part of the process of identifying and removing invasive plants. The missing Hilton O'Connor Trail bog bridge was found and has been floated back to within 15 feet of where it should be placed. The benches are being logged and treated to protect the wood.

Selectman Page heard from J&H Landscaping that the Hillside cemetery will be reseeded the first week of June. The three-year plan for treatment of grubs is still ongoing.

In their absence, the Town Clerk reported for the road commissioners who have looked at Rial Herald Road. They are looking at options for repairs. The beavers are back in the culvert and

will be trapped and relocated. Culverts will be replaced on Medomak and Rial Herald roads, and the commissioners are looking at areas that need ditching. Also, the southern end of Shore Road has a large pot hole that will be filled.

Resident Jack Mohr asked that the shoulder on Muscongus Road be repaired before the chip sealing is done because the shoulder has washed out. Selectman Page suggested that he and the road commissioners meet with Jack Mohr at the site of the problem and discuss solutions.

The Selectman revisited the lease for the Historical Society that had been tabled at the last meeting. Selectman Page shared his edits and the board agreed that the changes better focused the lease for use with the Historical Society.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) moved to accept the lease as edited.

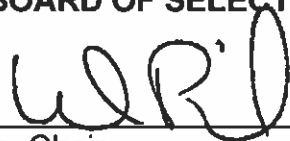
On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approved the Board of Selectmen's minutes of May 2, 2024, and the town warrant of May 10, 2024.

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectmen Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) moved to adjourn at 5:21 p.m.

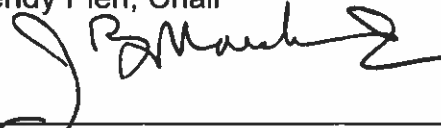
A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

Cheryl Ferrara, Deputy Town Clerk

BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Wendy Pieh, Chair



John Marsh



Stephen Page