

**TOWN OF BREMEN  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES  
VIA ZOOM AND IN-PERSON  
June 6, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.**

Selectmen present: Wendy Pieh; Boe Marsh; Steve Page

Town Representatives: Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk;

Public present: Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission; Jack Mohr; Walter Radloff; Kerry Kohnert; Tom Pappel, Dave Adkins, Rufus Teele, Eric Teele, Bruce Poland, Fire Chief and Jim Corbett, EMS Director.

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

***On a motion duly made by Selectman Boe Marsh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approved and signed the contract with Midcoast Humane Society.***

***On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) appointed Seamus Gilbert to the Solar Committee.***

***On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) for the expenditure of \$3800.00 for the replacement of flooring in the conference room at the Fire Station.***

***On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approval of the annual town warrant.***

***On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) accepting the State of Maine Salt Contract bid.***

Town Clerk explained The Bureau of Vehicles State of Maine new process for the replacement of the current chickadee plate to the two options. The process for keeping or reserving your number, if you like your current number and want to keep this you will have to complete the State form, pay the fee and send it directly to the State of Maine. Forms are available here at the Town Office.

Chief Poland and EMS Director Corbett requested funding for the replacement of the Rescue vehicle, the current had been in service for over 25 years and the cost of the necessary repairs, for it to pass inspection, would be over \$10,000 thus the truck committee for the Fire Dept. determined that replacement was necessary. The cost for a vehicle depends of where, year and what type of vehicle the committee determines will fit the needs of the town. The committee is requesting a budget of \$40,000-65,000. Chief Poland requested \$40,000 from the Fire Truck Reserve account for a portion of the funding necessary. EMS Director Corbett proposed the use of up to \$28,000 for the First Responder donation account for the additional funding for the purchase of a rescue vehicle.

***On a motion duly made by Selectman Marsh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approve the request of up to \$40,000 from the Fire Truck Reserve account for the purchase of a rescue vehicle.***

***On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Select Chair Pieh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approve the request of up to \$28,000 from the First Responder donation account for the purchase of a rescue vehicle.***

Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission, reported on the walk of Town property to identify invasive plants. The BCC is exploring grants available, how to increase participation in the trail work days and the wonderful assistance/work that the town has received from Coastal Rivers. The erosion problem at the Hay Property is further being reviewed with Coastal Rivers to have additional insight as to what can be done to try and address the issue. The new sign "alcoholic beverages prohibited" for the Hay Property has been received and will be posted. Susie Davis requested the ordering of the same sign for the Town Landing Property. There has been a truck drive in the field at the Hilton O'Connor property around the outer edge. There will be 2 benches added the Hilton O'Connor property. On July 10<sup>th</sup> the Continuing Strengthening and Protecting our Shoreline project will be held, here at the Town Center and beginning at 4:00 pm. Boe Marsh in addition to Eric Snyder and Joan Ray will be on the panel.

Road Commissioner, Tom Pappel gave an overview of the roads. Rial Herald has had some crack sealing completed and Jody Sprague will be addressing the pot holes to continue the crack sealing on that road. Discussion of the down trees on Route 32 was discussed and determined to continue calling the DOT for cleanup.

The Selectmen requested an email sent to using the Town community listing requesting volunteers to create a cemetery committee.

***On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) to approve the minutes of May 16, 2024 and warrants of May 24 and June 7, 2024.***

***On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) to adjourn at 5:59 pm.***

**A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:**



Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk

**BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**



Wendy Pieh, Chair



John Marsh



Stephen Page