

**TOWN OF BREMEN
SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
August 15, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.**

Selectmen present: Wendy Pieh; Steve Page, and John "Boe" Marsh

Town Representatives: Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk and Jim Murphy, Assessing Agent

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

William Brewer, Auditor for Bremen, explained the process of determining the mill rate, that the anticipated expenditures have all been reviewed and that the Town Treasurer, Assessing Agent and himself are all in agreement for these amounts. The rate will be determined by the calculations and what amount for the actual over-lay. The school budget has increased \$367,000 County taxes increased by \$44,000 with the total budget increasing by \$581,000. The average Over-lay for the past several years has been in the range of 36,000 to 40,000. To clarify the over-lay, this amount is to cover any taxes that are not collected/paid through the collection process that the treasurer does.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) to set the mill rate for the 2024-2025 tax period as 8.15.

Assessing agent, Jim Murphy reviewed the process and why the town was required to complete the revaluation process, providing figures as to the different tax "zones" and the State statute. The suggestion of revaluation reviews every two years was also suggested to ensure that the town meets State requirement plus eliminating the "spike" in property valuations like what is currently happening State wide.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) to adjourn at 4:22 pm

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:




Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk


BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Wendy Pieh, Chair



John Marsh



Stephen Page