

**TOWN OF BREMEN
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
VIA ZOOM AND IN-PERSON
October 3, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.**

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

Town Representatives: Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk, Tom Papell and Dave Adkins, Road Commissioners.

Public present: Ann Nesslage, Bremen Conservation Commission; Kerry Kohnert; Jonathan Riley: LCN via ZOOM, Walter Voskian, Cheryl Ferrara, Tony Ferrara, Susan Davis, Christa Thorpe, Jody Shapiro, Tom Wilson and Mary Renzi.

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

A hearing was held to discuss the new proposed GA ordinance, this is a State mandated item.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Marsh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approved to repeal the current General Assistance Ordinance.

On a motion duly made by Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approved the acceptance of the new General Assistance Ordinance.

On a motion duly made by Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approved the nomination of Melanie Pendleton as the Election Warden for a 3-year term.

On a motion duly made by Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approved the nomination of Gina Jones, Mary Sue Weeks, Annette Bossler, Sandra Thomas, Cheryl Ferrara, Keena Cates and Melanie Pendleton as Election Clerks for a 3-year term.

Christa Thorpe, Bremen School Board Member gave an update on GSB withdrawing from the AOS and there being a meeting for this vote happening on Wednesday Oct. 9th at Great Salt Bay School beginning at 6:00 pm, with the public invited. The Bremen residents had previously voted at the town meeting in June 2024 to form an RSU with Newcastle and Damariscotta for GSB.

Ann Nesslage gave an update for the BCC as to work in progress, that work days moving forward, invasive species work being done by Naomi Martin and Susan Davis and that Brad from Coastal Rivers is working on a plan for a suggested mowing schedule for the different locations. The BCC requested to be kept in the "loop" as to erosion plans for both the Hay Property and Town Landing.

Christa Thorpe, representing the Bremen Broadband Committee outlined a suggested plan for Digital Equity and the board suggests to hire a consultant to do an analysis of the

infrastructure to complete the installation of Broadband to every resident, this being several private roads or longer drives where the cost is not affordable to complete by the homeowners. See attached for the entire plan.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Marsh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) approved to table the request of an initial request of \$3,000 until the audit is completed to review where the funding would be coming from, then to schedule a Special Town Meeting.

Walter Voskian asked as to any update on a Comp Plan for the Town. The Town is Working with LCRPC and MCOG on the ongoing process of updating the plan with Cheryl Ferrara as the representative for Bremen at the LCRPC meetings

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) to approve the minutes of September 12, 2024.

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) to approve the warrant of 9-27-2024

On a motion duly made by Select Chair Pieh and seconded by Selectman Page the Board of Selectmen unanimously (3-0) to adjourn at 6:08 pm.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

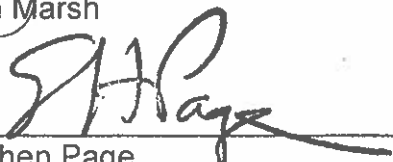


Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk

BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wendy Pieh, Chair



John Marsh

Stephen Page