## TOWN OF BREMEN SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES VIA ZOOM AND IN-PERSON December 19, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

Selectmen present:

John "Boe" Marsh, Steve Page and Wendy Pieh

Town Representatives:

Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk. James Murphy, Assessing Agent,

Keena Cates, Dept. Clerk, Dave Adkins and Tom Papell, Road

Commissioners.

Public present:

Kerry Kohnert, Johnathan Riley, LCN, Susan Davis via ZOOM,

Deb Elliott via ZOOM and Ann Nesslage viz ZOOM.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Chair opened the meeting and stated the Town Office holiday schedule is:

Tuesday, December 24, 2024 and Tuesday, December 31, 2024 closing at 12:00pm Wednesday, December 25, 2024 and Wednesday, January 1, 2025 closed.

Chair Pieh gave notice that the next Solar Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 beginning at 5:00 pm.

Selectman Marsh recused himself from the next discussion for the findings of fact/decision letter for the abatement request due to being the neighbor to this property.

James Murphy read the findings of fact/decision letter on the abatement request for property map 004-009-00F, previously denied at the Assessor meeting of 12-11-2024.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Chair Pieh, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the findings of fact/denial letter for abatement request for map 004-009-00F by a vote of 2-0-1.

James Murphy read the findings of fact/decision letter on the abatement request for property map 004-065-002, previously denied at the Assessor meeting of 12-11-2024.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the findings of fact/denial letter for abatement request for map 004-065-002 by a vote 3-0.

Ann Nesslage of the BCC gave an update for the last meeting held for the Conservation Commission. The committee is working on a plan for the different invasives on the Hilton O'Connor trail and the area beside the Fire Station parking lot/sand shed. The estimates being gathered will be added to the next budget of 2025-2026. There is on going discussion as to the picnic table for the Hilton O'Connor trail, working on possible handicap assessable to be built by Coastal Rivers or another avenue.

Road Commissioners, Tom Papell and Dave Adkins discussed there being a tree on Keene Neck Road that has become or may become a hazard due to splitting and the rot. B&B tree had brought this to their attention previously during the road cutting. The pictures of the tree were shown to the board and agreed to get an estimate for the removal and that once determined the

land owner, the Town Office would contact the property owner to make aware of the issue. This tree is in the Town right of way.

Christa Thorpe gave a suggestion of having pictures or videos of roads/culverts/shore line to have these on file in case of any destructive storms as last year. This information came from a meeting that she had attended.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Marsh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen voted (3-0) to approve the Minutes of 12-05-2024.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Marsh and seconded by Selectman Page, the Board of Selectmen voted (3-0) to approve, the Warrant of 12-20-2024.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh, the Board of Selectmen voted (3-0) to approve, the Supplemental Warrant of 12-19-2024.

On a motion duly made by Selectman Page and seconded by Selectman Marsh the Board of Selectmen voted (3-0) to go into executive session pursuant 36 MRS 841(2) AND MRS 405(6)(F).

On a motion duly made by Selectman Marsh and seconded by Chairperson Pieh the Board of Selectmen voted (3-0) to adjourn at 5:50 pm.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

Melanie Pendleton, Town Clerk

## **BREMEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Wendy Pieh, Chair

John Marsh

Stephen Page