



**Select Board Meeting  
MINUTES  
Bristol Town Office – October 4, 2023**

*Select Board Members Present: Chad Hanna, Kristine Poland*

*Also present: J. Bachelder, C. Bonugli, F. Bonugli, R. Francis, P. Hope, J. Riley*

Hanna called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes**

The minutes from September 20 were deferred until November 1 when all members will be present.

**Samoset Monument**

Bachelder presented a proposal to revise the wording on the Samoset Monument to a more accurate description of Samoset and his endeavors. She has consulted with Penobscot scholars, Dr. Bonnie Newsom and John Bear Mitchell and seeks collaboration from the municipal officers and citizens of Bristol. The stone monument would remain, and the current plaque would be replaced with a new plaque with new wording. The new wording can be viewed at the Town Office or on [www.bristolmaine.org](http://www.bristolmaine.org). The old plaque would be displayed at the OBHS campus. Ownership of the monument is unknown, but the monument and landscaping are tended to by neighbors of the monument.

**Back Shore Road**

Due to several storms over the past year, there is an area of erosion very close to Back Shore Road at the northern end. The Bonugli's, nearby property owners, are concerned the erosion may compromise the road and have requested the Town's assistance. The town has contracted with a surveyor to determine the boundary of the road and will wait for these results before moving forward. It is likely that permits will be needed before repair work can begin.

**Maine Valuation Return**

The MVR was presented and reviewed. On a motion by Hanna and a second by Poland, it was unanimously approved, and the MVR was signed.

**Shellfish License Allocation**

This was tabled until the November 1 meeting.

**BMV Agent**

Town Clerk, J. Bourne, has been approved by BMV to become the town's motor vehicle agent. On a motion by Poland and a second by Hanna, it was unanimously approved. Bourne will be replacing Bizarro.

**Comprehensive Plan Review**

The CPC's final draft of the Comprehensive Plan has been submitted to consultant, North Star Planning, who will provide a formatted, final copy of the plan. The CPC hopes to have a public meeting as quickly as possible so the plan can be sent to the State Planning Office for review and

then presented at Town Meeting in March. The CPC will attend the 11/1 Select Board meeting for review and updates.

### **Regular Business**

Correspondence. PBS requested a \$100 donation. They will be sent information on how to request funding at Town Meeting.

Building Permits. 04A-018-A, 021-034-A, 03A-047, 008-006F, 007-034-A, 029-050, 008-011-C-8 were reviewed.

Warrants: The Board reviewed and signed warrants for the Town, Fire and Parks Accounts Payable and Payroll and the Transfer Station.

Public Comment. Hanna shared that the Transfer Station Manager is looking into replacing the household waste hopper. The hydraulic system and trailer would be replaced. The new system and trailer would provide potential long-term savings as maintenance fees and breakdowns would be reduced.

Hanna gave notice of the following upcoming public meetings:

- Comprehensive Plan Committee, October 10th @ 6:30pm, Town Office
- Fish Committee, Thursday, October 12th @ 7:00pm, Town Office
- Parks Department, Tuesday, October 17th @ 6:00pm, Ellingwood Center
- Select Board, Wednesday, October 18th @ 6:30pm, Town Office
- Harbor Committee, Thursday, October 26th @ 5:00pm, Town Office

The meeting adjourned at 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Bizarro  
Town Administrator