



Town of Casco

Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

April 07, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Casco Community Center

Regular Meeting

PRESENT

Scott Avery
Robert MacDonald
Mary Fernandes
Grant Plummer

ABSENT

Eugene Connolly

1. Review and approval of the meeting agenda

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the meeting agenda.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

2. Approval of bills and signing and approval of all open warrants

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve all bills and signing of all open warrants.

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Fernandes.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

3. Approval of Minutes: March 24, 2026

The Selectboard moved and seconded to accept the minutes from the March 24, 2026 meeting as presented.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by MacDonald.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

4. Public Participation for non-Agenda items

No Public Participation.

5. Manager's Update

- A. As previously reported, the new electric vehicle chargers were installed on March 24. Town staff is currently coordinating their activation with the payment company, Red E Charge. The chargers are expected to be fully operational by the date of this meeting.
- B. Resilience Planning has finalized the community outreach meeting previously described, scheduled for May 28 from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM at the Casco Community Center. The Town, in coordination with Resilience Planning, will publicize the event via the Town's website, social media, newsletter, and direct mailings to residents in the designated Casco Village area. The meeting will engage community members in

discussing current Casco Village zoning and identifying future opportunities while preserving the Village as outlined in the Comprehensive Plan.

- C. Town staff and I are continually monitoring road conditions to determine if any frost remains. Based on current assessments, we anticipate removing the weight restrictions on either April 9th. Public notification will be made through the Town's traditional communication practices, including the website, social media, and other established channels.
- D. Courtney Walsh continues work on the rebranding initiative and will meet with staff this week for additional input. Preliminary discussions with the Select Board are expected in the coming meetings.
- E. As previously noted by the Safe Streets Committee Chair, we will meet with GPCOG and Maine DOT representatives to discuss the Webbs Mills intersection. These meetings, tentatively scheduled for the week of April 20, are supported through grant funding received by GPCOG.
- F. Town staff are continuing to collaborate with Gorrill Palmer to secure state approval for updates to the crosswalk located in front of the Community Center. A conceptual design, included in the supporting documents, illustrates the proposed modifications, which are fully ADA compliant. The Town intends to pursue funding through the Maine Department of Transportation for Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) and other non-tax-supported sources.
- G. Unless otherwise advised by the Selectboard, I anticipate applying for two grants in the near future.

The first is a **Community Action Grant, Round 7**, through the Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future. Unless otherwise directed, I plan to apply for funding to assist in the extension of fiber optics within our community. For reference, Naples received funding for their fiber optic project through a previous round. The deadline for this grant is **June 5, 2026**.

The second grant I anticipate applying for is the **Maine Infrastructure Adaption Fund (MIAF) Grant**. This request would seek funding to install a box culvert on Leach Hill Road over Decker Brook. The deadline for this grant is **May 11, 2026**.

On-Going Business

- 6. The Selectboard will consider awarding the mowing bid for 2026 thru 2028.
The Selectboard moved and seconded to award the three year mowing contract to Elevation Premiere.
Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Avery.
Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer
- 7. The Selectboard will discuss the priority in conducting policy reviews.
Discussion only. No action was taken.
- 8. The Selectboard will receive updates on the installation of municipal fiber.
Discussion only. No action was taken.

New Business

9. The Selectboard will consider a liquor license renewal for the Top of the Hill Grill
The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the liquor license renewal for Top of the Hill Grille and forward it to the State of Maine Bureau of Liquor for final approval.
Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.
Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer
10. The Selectboard will consider upcoming openings on Town Boards and Committees along with methods of supporting these committees.
Discussion only. No action was taken.
11. The Selectboard will discuss the final FY27 proposed budget
Discussion only. No action was taken.
12. The Selectboard will consider awarding the fiscal year 2027 pavement preservation contract.
The Selectboard moved and seconded to award the FY 2027 pavement preservation contract for the roads of Ridge Terrace, Hams Hill, Raymond Cape Road, Ward Circle and Libby Road.
Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Avery.
Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer
13. Selectboard Comments
Bob MacDonald wanted to stress to the taxpayers that the Budget Process was intense and a lot of thought was put in to it. Bob wanted to thank all who were involved in the process.
Scott Avery would like to remind everyone that everyone on the Selectboard are taxpayers too and the budget is taken very seriously.
Grant Plummer suggested scheduling a candidates night for the Municipal Election held on June 9. Grant updated everyone about the status of P&K Sand and Gravel's application with the Planning Board. Grant would like to create a document which provides a timeline of what needs to happen and when if something needs to be voted on at Town Meeting. Grant would like to remind us to figure out a way to monitor the water level on Pleasant Lake. Grant reported the large Committee Group meeting was a success and he would like them to occur more regularly. In closing Grant wanted to extend a thank you to all volunteers for everything they do.

Executive Session

14. Executive Session to discuss Concealed Weapons Permits per Title 25, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for application 03/24/2026A, 03/24/2026B & 03/24/2026C.
Tabled until April 21 meeting.
15. Adjournment
The Selectboard moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:01pm.
Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Avery.
Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

Reminders to the Attending Public: Selectboard meetings are open to the public, but the public may not speak unless recognized by the Board Chair or Vice Chair in their absence. Except during a public hearing, comment time is limited to 2 minutes per speaker during public participation or on agenda items. Matters related to personnel will not be heard.

Future meeting dates (subject to change)

Month DD, YYYY at HH:MM PM Meeting Name

April 13, 2026 @ 6:30 PM Planning Board Workshop

April 13, 2026 @ 6:30 PM Zoning Board of Appeals

April 15, 2026 @ 6:00 PM Safe Streets Committee

April 15, 2026 @ 6:00 PM Water Quality Committee

April 21, 2026 @ 6:00 PM Selectboard Regular Meeting