

Town of Casco Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2024 at 6:00 PM Casco Community Center

Regular Meeting

1. Review and approval of the meeting agenda

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the meeting agenda

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

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

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the signing and approval of all open warrants

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Connolly. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

3. Approval of Minutes: May 14, 2024

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the minutes of May 14, 2024 as presented.

Motion made by Fernandes, Seconded by MacDonald. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

4. Public Participation for non-Agenda items

Tom Mulkern voiced his concern that the Dam Advisory Committee was dissolved.

Susan Witonis was extremely disappointed with the lack of communication regarding the Memorial Day service.

Eric Dibner announced that flyers have been distributed by the Pleasant Lake/Parker Pond Association regarding healthy waters. Eric also noted his term is expiring for the Open Space Commission and he wanted make his interest known to the Selectboard.

- 5. Manager's Update
 - A. We recently hired a new individual (Ethan Carras) for the truck driver/laborer position, and he is scheduled to begin on June 3rd.

B. I will be attending ICMA training during the week of June 10th. I will not regularly Approved by Selectboard 06-11-2024

be checking e-mail, but I will be available by cell phone or next if needed. The staff is additionally aware that I will be out of the office during this period.

- C.GPCOG's annual meeting is being held on May 30th at St; Joseph's College. Most, if not all, should have received this communication from GPCOG.
- D.The Town Office will be closed to the public June 11th due to state elections and closed on June 19th for Juneteenth.
- E. Two claims filed with Maine Municipal Risk Pool recently have been finalized. A claim for lighting damage at Casco Community Park is being processed and the repairs scheduled. The previous Meadow Road insurance claim is being returned to the Town for negotiations. I believe this will be a very prompt resolution.
- F. Chief Cole and I attended the release of the regionalization study for Fire/EMS conducted by Cumberland County. The synopsis presentation provided minimal immediate actions points, but the Chief and I are reviewing the 116-page document. Cumberland County is additionally finalizing regional meetings related to this study. I anticipate a future synopsis of this study presented to the Board by Chief Cole. I will e-mail all Selectboard members a copy of the report.

Workshop

6. Budget Informational Workshop

Kerry Joyce from Cumberland County Sheriff's Office came to speak to residents regarding the costs associated with contracting for a full time deputy in Casco and what we would receive for those costs. After his presentation he answered many questions from residents.

Old Business

7. The Selectboard will consider an updated Collective Bargaining Agreement with IAFF 5372

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve an updated Collective Bargaining Agreement with IAFF 5372

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

New Business

8. The Selectboard will consider a consent decree for the residence at 752 Quaker Ridge Road

After much discussion, the Selectboard moved and seconded to approve a consent decree for the residence at 752 Quaker Ridge Road with the stipulation that the property not become any more non-conforming than it currently is.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes Voting Nay: Plummer

9. The Selectboard will consider the Liquor License renewal of Migis Lodge

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the the Liquor License renewal of Migis Lodge

Motion made by Fernandes, Seconded by MacDonald. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

- 10. The Selectboard will discuss upcoming vacancies on Board and Committees Irene Morton was in attendance to express her interest in the Veteran's Committee.
- 11. The Selectboard will discuss the surplus property and autctioning of this property. Discussion only. No Action.
- 12. Selectboard Comments

Bob MacDonald inquired about solar panel numbers.

Mary Fernandes thanked Tony for tonight's budget discussion.

Gene Connolly thanked Tony as well. Gene also apologized for the lack of communication for the Memorial Day program.

Scott Avery was also pleased with the budget discussion. Additionally, Scott shared dates of upcoming meetings.

Executive Session

13. Poverty Abatement application received 05/14/2024.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to enter Executive Session to review Poverty Abatement application received 05/14/2024 at 8:09pm.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

Motion to exit Executive Session at 8:20pm made by Connolly, Seconded by MacDonald.

Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

14. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(A) Personnel Discussion

The Selectboard moved and seconded to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(A) Personnel Discussion at 8:09pm.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

Motion to exit Executive Session at 8:20pm made by Connolly, Seconded by MacDonald.

Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

15. Adjournment

The Selectboard moved and seconded to adjourn at 8:21pm.

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Fernandes. Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, 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, YYYT at HH:MM PM Meeting Name