



Town of Casco

Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Casco Community Center

Regular Meeting

PRESENT

Scott Avery
Eugene Connolly (late)
Robert MacDonald
Mary Fernandes
Grant Plummer

1. Review and approval of the meeting agenda

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the meeting agenda.

Motion made by Fernandes, Seconded by MacDonald.

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: August 5, 2025

The Selectboard moved and seconded to accept the minutes from the August 5, 2025 meeting as presented.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

4. Public Participation for non-Agenda items

Sam Brown- Very excited with leadership at the Open Space meeting- the engagement is "on point". Sam encouraged public to be involved.

Tom McCarthy- Inquired of the status of the rezoning.

5. Manager's Update

- A. The Selectboard representative for the Berry Property working group (Mary Fernandes) is in the process of developing a meeting schedule for this group. Selectboard member Fernandes will further discuss later in the meeting. The members of this committee are:

- CPIC - Tiffany Payton
- Open Space – Eric Dibner

Approved by Selectboard on 09-02-2025 3-0

- Planning Board – Carolyn Drew
- Safe Streets – Justin Millett
- Selectboard – Mary Fernandes
- Water Quality Ad Hoc Committee – Tom McCarthy
- Recreation- Beth Latsey
- Fire – Brian Cole
- Town Office – Tony Ward/John Wieseemann

- B. The Town is following up with Maine Department of Environmental Protection for updates on the minor revision for a previously planned upgrade of Pleasant Lake Beach. No response to date about the status of the minor revision submitted in January. Town staff and I will continue to communicate with both DEP and Archipelago.
- C. Last week I attended the Maine Town City County Managers Association New England Institute at Sunday River. Approximately 110 municipal leaders attended this conference. These sessions always provide learning opportunities and learn from our peers. This year's discussion provided information on current items related to our town ranging from the limitations or risk of AI software to capital improvement policies to legislative updates to paid family medical leave. Each of these sessions identified opportunities for our community and will be the focus of future agenda items.
- D. The Fire Department issued a No Open Burning order due to dangerous weather conditions. This order has been posted on our web site, Facebook account and on the Town's digital sign. A copy of the order is included in the Selectboard packet.
- E. The Town Office will be closed on Monday September 1st for Labor Day.

Old Business

6. The Selectboard will discuss an easement with Casco Public Library and Library's Contract Zoning Agreement process.
Discussion only. No action was taken.
7. The Selectboard will consider Selectboard assignments as liaisons to various committees, boards or work groups.
Discussion only. No action was taken.
8. The Selectboard will discuss the Foreclosed Property Policy.
Discussion only. No action was taken.

New Business

9. The Selectboard will consider tax commitment and discuss overlay with Assessor Rob Sutherland.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

10. The Selectboard will consider awarding winner of winter sand RFP.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to award the 2025/2026 winter sand bid to Rolfe Corporation with a bid of \$18.00 per yard.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by MacDonald.

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

11. The Selectboard will discuss declaring 2014 GMC Public Works truck as surplus property.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to the 2014 Ford F-550 public works vehicle as surplus property and authorize the Town Manager to coordinate the sale of this vehicle to the Town of Naples.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Connolly.

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

12. The Selectboard will discuss preliminary easement agreement for boat launch adjacent to Thompson Lake Marina.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

13. The Selectboard will discuss a fiberoptic installation agreement with Sebago Fiber

Discussion only. No action was taken.

14. The Selectboard will discuss status of current road projects and future road projects.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

15. The Selectboard will discuss the initial results of the Capital Improvement Planning survey.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

16. Selectboard Comments

Gene Connolly stopped at new convenience store to welcome them and encouraged residents to check it out.

Scott Avery voiced his frustrations with the condition of Meadow Road.

Mary Fernandes spoke about the Berry Property Stakeholder Group and coordinating the first meeting.

Bob MacDonald explained how the Town will need to make changes and asks that the town have patience with these changes.

Grant Plummer asked how we would request speed limit changes as some of the new subdivisions would warrant some changes. He has started a list of changes Bob referred to. Grant would also like to change "Old Business" to "Ongoing Work" on the agendas.

Executive Session

17. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(F) Poverty Abatement Requests- Case 08/19/2025A

The Selectboard moved and seconded to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(F) Poverty Abatement Requests- Case 08/19/2025A at 7:55pm

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

The Selectboard moved and seconded to exit Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(F) Poverty Abatement Requests at 8:04pm

Motion made by Fernandes, Seconded by Connolly.

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

18. Executive Session to discuss Concealed Weapons Permits per Title 25, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for application 08/05/2025A,08/19/2025A, 08/19/2025B & 08/19/2025C.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to enter Executive Session to discuss Concealed Weapons Permits per Title 25, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for application 08/05/2025A,08/19/2025A, 08/19/2025B & 08/19/2025C. at 8:06pm.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by MacDonald.

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

The Selectboard moved and seconded to exit Executive Session to discuss Concealed Weapons Permits at 8:10pm.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by MacDonald.

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

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

The Selectboard moved and seconded to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(A) Personnel at 8:10pm

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Avery.

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

The Selectboard moved and seconded to exit Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(A) Personnel at 8:32pm

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Avery.

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

20. Adjournment

The Selectboard moved and seconded to adjourn at 8:33pm

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by MacDonald.

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)

August 20 @ 6:00 pm Safe Streets Committee

August 20 @ 6:00 PM Water Quality Committee

August 21 @ 6:00 PM Casco Naples Transfer Station Council (Naples Town Office)

August 18 @ 6:30 PM Planning Board Regular Meeting

August 28 @ 6:30 PM Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee

September 2 @ 6:00 PM Selectboard Regular Meeting

August 27 @ 6:00 PM Capital Planning Ad Hoc Committee