



Town of Casco

Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Casco Community Center

Regular Meeting

PRESENT

Scott Avery

Eugene Connolly

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 Avery, 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 all bills and signing of all open warrants.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

3. Approval of Minutes: September 2, 2025

The Selectboard moved and seconded to accept the minutes from the September 2, 2025 meeting as presented.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

4. Public Participation for non-Agenda items

Tom McCarthy spoke regarding the walk of the Berry property.

Courtney Walsh introduced herself as the individual who will be doing the branding for the town. Courtney also encouraged people to attend a Safe Streets Committee meeting mentioning there is a dangerous intersection of Mayberry Hill and Heath Road. She also inquired if there was a policy regarding all the various signs in town.

5. Manager's Update

- A. The storage room above the Casco Post Office at the Casco Community Center has been in disrepair for some time and is continuing to deteriorate, creating potential safety concern.

Staff will be working with an engineer to inspect the area, determine the root cause of the damage, and identify the necessary repairs. The findings will be incorporated into the budget process to ensure that the repairs needed are properly addressed.

- B. The Town Employee Safety Committee has held its first quarterly meeting as part of the Workers' Compensation Safety Incentive Program. The committee will focus on facility inspections, reviewing workplace incidents, ensuring compliance with safety policies, and leading a wellness program to support Town employees.
- C. The Town recently held a community forum on the Greater Portland Council of Governments' Capital Improvement Survey, facilitated by GPCOG's Tony Planet. About 17 residents attended and shared their perspectives. To encourage broader participation, a virtual community forum will be held via Zoom on

September 18, 2025, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87398919973>.

Details are also posted on the Town's website, Facebook page, and digital sign.

- D. Town staff recently met with Owens McCullough of Sebago Fiber to conduct a preliminary inspection of the sand/salt shed. Initial access was limited due to debris and building constraints, but Public Works staff cleared the area, moved sand, and removed panels to allow a more thorough review. Sebago Technics will return soon to complete the inspection and provide guidance on the shed's condition, potential improvements, and whether the existing structure could continue to serve as a storage facility.

Old Business

- 6. The Selectboard will discuss future planning options.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to authorize the Town Manager to put out an RFP for Planning Services.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by MacDonald.

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

- 7. The Selectboard will discuss the Foreclosed Property Policy.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the modified Foreclosed Property Policy as presented.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

- 8. The Selectboard will discuss the schedule of the zoning work group.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

New Business

- 9. The Selectboard will receive updates from the Code Enforcement Office

Discussion only. No action was taken.

- 10. The Selectboard will discuss a letter of support for Loon Echo.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to sign a letter of support of Loon Echo's grant application with the State of Maine.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

11. The Selectboard will discuss Open Space activities with the Open Space Commission chair.

This item was tabled.

12. The Selectboard will consider designated Municipal Official representing the Town of Casco for Maine Municipal Association's Annual meeting.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to authorize the Town Manager to be the voting representative for the Town of Casco at the Maine Municipal Association's Annual meeting.

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

13. Selectboard Comments

Eugene Connolly stated it may be time to try again to get a contracted deputy.

Scott Avery agreed with Gene and also wanted to know if it would be feasible to put up permanent electronic speed signs.

Mary Fernandes thanked everyone who came out for the walk of the Berry Property.

Robert MacDonald expressed his excitement about all the work being done in town.

Grant Plummer agreed with Bob, there are positive things happening in town. He encouraged everyone to get involved and support your community.

Executive Session

14. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(E) Consultation with legal counsel.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(E) Consultation with legal counsel at 7:07pm

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Avery.

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

The Selectboard moved and seconded to exit Executive Session legal counsel at 7:24pm

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Plummer.

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

15. Adjournment

The Selectboard moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:25pm.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Connolly.

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)

September 17 @ 6:00 PM Quaker Ridge Community forum

September 17, 2025 @ 6:00 PM Water Quality Committee

September 22, 2025 @ 6:30 PM Planning Board Regular Meeting

September 25,, 2025 @ 6:00 PM Casco Naples Transfer Station Council

September 25, 2025 @ 6:30 PM Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee

October 7, 2025 @ 6:00 PM Selectboard Regular Meeting