



## Town of Casco

### Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Casco Community Center

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#### PRESENT

Scott Avery  
Robert MacDonald  
Mary Fernandes  
Grant Plummer

#### ABSENT

Eugene Connolly

#### Regular Meeting

1. Review and approval of the meeting agenda

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the meeting agenda.

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Fernandes.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

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

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by MacDonald.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

3. Approval of Minutes: April 1, 2025

Item was tabled. Attachments not included in Selectboard's packets.

4. Public Participation for non-Agenda items

Tuan Nguyen spoke regarding back lot driveways.

David Kimball spoke regarding his property line dispute.

5. Manager's Update

A. The road postings are being removed on April 14, 2025, on asphalt roadways. Road postings are not being removed on Town gravel roads due to their conditions. Staff and I will monitor 18 gravel roads (6.22 miles of roadway) and remove the postings when viable. The 18 roads are Birch Terrace, Bramble Hill Road, Camp Cedar, Dadmun Drive, Edes Fall Road, Fountain Hill Road, Freeman Road, Jim Small Road, Lord Road, Millstream Terrace, North Pine Hill Road, Pavilion Road, Pinkham Road, Riggs Road, Stone Road, Terrace Lane, Varney Road, and West Fountain Hill Road.

B. We anticipate opening Casco Community Park on Monday April 14th. We will reassess on the morning of the 14th to ensure the park can handle use without causing damage.

C. The Finance Committee has a lone workshop scheduled for April 15th at 5:00pm. The workshop is being held at the Casco Community Center, and they expect this is

the last solo workshop. A joint meeting between the Selectboard and Finance Committee is scheduled for April 22nd at 5:30 pm to finalize the proposed budget. The Finance Committee also recommends utilizing different methods of communication about the proposed budget (when finalized). The two discussed methods of communication would be to conduct a Town Hall meeting about the budget prior to the Town Meeting or develop a written synopsis of the budget highlighting any significant changes along with the reasons for the changes. The Town Hall meetings provide an opportunity for questions from the residents about the budget but may have limited participation or attendance from the residents that attended the budget meetings. The written synopsis would reach more residents but limits further dialogue or reasoning for the proposed budget. 7 Item 5.# Staff and I believe the second option reaches more residents, but we will follow the direction determined by the Selectboard.

D. The RFID tag system was installed on April 8th and 9th . Naples' staff and casco staff anticipate the system going live on May 1st. Both Towns staff received initial system training on April 9th. Naples anticipates the issuing of placards process on April 15th. I anticipate Casco beginning the issuing of placards on April 21st . Residents must swap out their current coupons for these placards and their account will be credited the remaining tonnage. We are delaying the issuance of placards to ensure that we communicate with our residents before the issuing of placards. The discussion about having a singular reset/issuing date will occur at the Casco Naples Transfer Station Council. I do not anticipate this occurring in 2025 but will be for future years. The restriping of the transfer station is also occurring. Once the rescheduling is finalized, it will be posted on our web site, social media, and newsletter.

### **Workshop**

6. The Selectboard will conduct a workshop with the Library Trustees reference a Easement Agreement.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

### **Old Business**

7. The Selectboard will discuss a proposed Senior Tax Credit Ordinance.  
Item was tabled. Attachments not included in Selectboard's packets.
8. The Selectboard will discuss Selectboard goals for FY25.  
Discussion only. No action was taken.
9. The Selectboard will discuss the status of the storm water plan and carry in boat launch.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

### **New Business**

10. The Selectboard will consider a request to redeem foreclosed property located map 2, lot 36 by the previous owner.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the sale of foreclosed property identified on Map 2, Lot 36 to Chester Watkins (previous owner) for all back taxes, interest and fees.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

11. The Selectboard will discuss the necessity for contractor bonding for Maine Department of Transportation project #026228.00 (Crooked River Bridge Rehabilitation).

Item was tabled. Attachments not included in Selectboard's packets.

12. The Selectboard will consider a date for the Annual Town Meeting

The Selectboard moved and seconded to authorize the Annual Town Meeting to be held on June 4, 2025 at 6:30pm at Crooked River Elementary School.

13. The Selectboard will consider appointing Carolyn Drew to the Planning Board as an Alternate; Courtney Walsh to the Open Space Commission; Joe Armenti to the Zoning Board of Appeals and Timothy Walsh to the Veterans Committee.

Item was tabled. Attachments not included in Selectboard's packets.

14. The Selectboard will consider legal services for the remainder of 2025 due to Jensen Baird's elimination of Municipal Law division of firm.

Item was tabled. Attachments not included in Selectboard's packets.

15. The Selectboard will consider the District Budget Validation Referendum Warrant.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the warrant for the MSAD#61 District Budget Validation Referendum Election to be held on May 20, 2025 at Crooked River Elementary School between the hours of 8:00am and 8:00pm.

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Fernandes.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

16. Selectboard Comments:

Grant Plummer- spoke regarding road postings. He is anxious to see some roadwork starting and asked Tony to remind Mike to stripe the roads and crosswalks.

## **Executive Session**

16. Executive Session to discuss Concealed Weapons Permits per Title 25, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for application 04/15/2025A, 04/15/2025B, & 04/15/2025C.

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 04/15/2025A, 04/15/2025B, & 04/15/2025C. at 7:05pm.

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Avery.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

The Selectboard moved and seconded to exit Executive Session at 7:10pm.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.

Voting Yea: Avery, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

17. Adjournment

The Selectboard moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:11pm.

Motion made by Fernandes, 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)**

April 21, 2025 @ 6:00 PM Open Space Commission

April 24, 2025 @ 6:00 PM Casco Naples Transfer Station

April 24, 2025 @ 6:30 PM Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee

April 28, 2025 @ 6:30 PM Planning Board Regular Meeting

April 30, 2025 @ 6:00 PM Safe Streets Committee

May 3, 2025 @ 8:00 AM Safe Street Bicycle Rodeo

May 6, 2025 @ 6:00 PM Selectboard Regular Meeting