



Town of Casco

Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Casco Community Center

Regular Meeting

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

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

Motion made by Fernandes, Seconded by MacDonald.

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

2. Review and approval of the meeting agenda

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the meeting agenda.

Motion made by Fernandes, Seconded by Plummer.

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

3. Approval of Minutes: June 11, 2024

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the minutes of June 11, 2024 meeting as presented.

Motion made by Plummer, Seconded by MacDonald.

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

4. Public Participation for non-Agenda items

Tuan Nguyen would like to see "Public Easements" wording clarified in the Town Meeting warrants. Tuan is also hoping the application for solar farm and related ordinance can be linked to announcement for the upcoming Planning Board Public Hearing.

Sam Brown wanted to thank Selectboard for the chance to speak at last meeting regarding Open Space. He was also wondering if a cable that is on the wire near Webbs Mills Park could be removed.

Amy Brown would like to request the policy for 4 day work week for town employees be placed on a future agenda.

5. Manager's Update

- A. Chief Cole is working with Cumberland County EMA, MEMA, and FEMA in submitting our official damage list to FEMA based on the April 4th snowstorm. FEMA is scheduled to visit Casco on July 10th to review the locations of the damage.
- B. Gorrill Palmer is coordinating with Glidden Excavation to identify their project start dates so we can begin the public notification process. Gorrill Plamer is additionally assisting us in our Maine DOT Culvert grant application for Edwards Road. We should have an estimated costs associated with the project in the immediate future.
- C. We anticipate releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) relating to the updating of the Town's future meeting room. We anticipate keeping the RFP open for 3 weeks and bringing forward the bids in August.
- D. The Town opened a cooling shelter during the recent heatwave. Consistent with past shelter experiences, no residents used the shelter during the heat wave.

Old Business

- 6. The Selectboard will discuss the revaluation process and Vision Governmental Services communications

Discussion only. No action.

- 7. The Selectboard will consider the appointment of Tom Mulkern and David Randal to the Pleasant Lake Dam Committee.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to appoint Tom Mulkern and David Randal to the Pleasant Lake Dam Committee.

Motion made by Plummer, Seconded by MacDonald.

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

New Business

- 8. The Selectboard will consider appointing Sorell Mains to the MSAD # 61 Board of Directors

The Selectboard moved and seconded to appoint Sorell Mains to the MSAD # 61 Board of Directors for a three year term.

Motion made by Plummer, Seconded by Connolly.

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

- 9. The Selectboard will consider authorizing the Town Manager to withdraw the Town's application for CDBG funding.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to authorize the Town Manager to withdraw the Town's application for CDBG funding.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes.

Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes

Voting Nay: Plummer

10. The Selectboard will consider awarding the FY25-FY29 snow plowing contract
The Selectboard moved and approved to award the FY25-FY29 snow plowing contract to C. Pond Plowing Inc.
Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes.
Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

11. The Selectboard will consider awarding the FY25 sand bids.
The Selectboard moved and seconded to award the FY25 sand bid to Gorham Sand and Gravel in the amount of \$18.00 per cubic yard.
Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Fernandes.
Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

12. The Selectboard will discuss the development of a Senior Tax Reduction ordinance for financially qualified seniors.
Discussion only. No action.

13. The Selectboard will consider the appointment of Ryan McAllister to the Planning Board.
The Selectboard moved and seconded to appoint Ryan McAllister to the Planning Board for a three year term.
Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.
Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

14. The Selectboard will consider re-appointing Sue Witonis to the Casco Naples Transfer Station Council.
The Selectboard moved and seconded to appoint Sue Witonis to the Casco-Naples Transfer Station Council.
Motion made by Plummer, Seconded by Connolly.
Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

15. The Selectboard will consider the appointing of Chair and Vice-Chair to the Selectboard.
The Selectboard moved and seconded to appoint Eugene Connolly as Chair and Grant Plummer as Vice-Chair to the Selectboard.
Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.
Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, MacDonald, Fernandes, Plummer

16. The Selectboard will discuss their July and August meeting schedule
Future Selectboard meetings will be held July 9th, July 23, August 6th and August 20th 2024.

17. Selectboard Comments

Grant would like to have a future agenda item regarding Gorrill Palmer.

Bob expressed he feels we need to do a better job preparing Town warrants and explain to taxpayers how mil rate is calculated.

Mary feels more workshops are needed with Town Manager. Mary also wanted to thank Scott Avery for his service as Chair of the Selectboard this past year.

Gene shared his experience while visiting the Casco Raymond Historical Society. He was very impressed by it and recommended anyone who has not been there to check it out.

Scott stated he feels it time to come up with a plan regarding the Fire Station/Public Works and Open Space on the Berry property. He also shared upcoming meeting dates.

Executive Session

18. Executive Session to discuss Concealed Weapons Permits per Title 25, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for applications 05/25/2024A, 05/25/2024B, 05/25/2024C, 05/25/2024D, and 05/25/2024E

The Selectboard moved and seconded to enter Executive Session to discuss Concealed Weapons Permits per Title 25, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for applications 05/25/2024A, 05/25/2024B, 05/25/2024C, 05/25/2024D, and 05/25/2024E at 7:00PM.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

The Selectboard moved and seconded to exit Executive Session at 7:28PM.

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

19. Adjournment

The Selectboard moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:29PM.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Plummer.

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)

June 26 @ 6:00 PM Ad Hoc Committee Meeting (Vision Zero)

June 26 @ 6:30 PM Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee Meeting

June 27 @ 6:00 PM Casco Naples Transfer Station Council Meeting (@ Naples Town Office)

July 8 @ 6:30 PM Planning Board Regular Meeting

July 15 @ 6:00 PM Open Space Commission

July 17 @ 6:00 PM Ad Hoc Committee Meeting (Vision Zero)