



Town of Casco

Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

July 01, 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 MacDonald.

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 Avery.

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

3. Approval of Minutes: June 17, 2025

The Selectboard moved and seconded to accept the minutes from the June 17, 2025 meeting as presented.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Connolly.

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

4. Public Participation for non-Agenda items

David Kimball presented points to the Selectboard regarding his property line dispute with the town.

5. Manager's Update

A. Included in your packet are the preliminary/unaudited budgetary numbers for FY25. These numbers can change slightly in the forthcoming weeks with journal modifications occurring, but this provides a general synopsis of the Town's yearend financial standings. The preliminary data shows the expenditures under spending by approximately \$271,000, but this figure will slightly reduce as some additional invoices are processed.

B. The survey mailings previously mentioned at your June 17th meeting were mailed to all property owners on June 26th . Hopefully, these targeted mailings will assist in local participation related to the survey and provide greater community perspectives to the Selectboard.

C. The July 15th meeting is a joint workshop relating to zoning directions. Included in your packet is a recommendation in a recommended format for this meeting made by the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee.

D. Include in the Selectboard packet are some designs for the carry-in design options. This is preliminary information. I anticipate further dialogue regarding these designs and associated costs related to this project at a future Selectboard meeting occurring in August or September. Also included is a site map with placement recommendations indicating Archipelago's preferred location for the dock/launch installation. This location has been selected to avoid disturbance to the adjacent wetland and surrounding sensitive areas. The location should also minimize or eliminate any site work that would need to be done in order to install the dock system.

E. The Town of Casco still has not changed to the RFID system at Bulky Waste even though Naples switched to this system in May. I anticipate the Town changing when the current coupons expire and we will begin issuing the RFID 7 Item 5.# cards in August. The delay is caused by systematic challenges still being resolved.

F. I spoke with Andrew Davis, the owner of Sebago Fiber, about a timeline related to the public/private partnership between them and the Town. He advised most of the building construction in Raymond is completed which greatly aids in Casco's portion of the project. He anticipates providing the Town with a draft contract in the near future. The current contract process in Naples is progressing slowly, but should be near completion. Since both Towns use the same law firm, Sebago Fiber wants to complete the contract with Naples to minimize future negotiations with Casco. Once a draft contract is provided, Mr. Davis will come before the Selectboard to answer any questions or clarify any contractual questions.

G. The Town Office is receiving an increasing number of speed complaints throughout the Town. The location of these complaints ranges from State roads to primary Town roads to secondary Town roads. Town staff are trying to assist with the complaints and minimize speed. However, the Town's lack of law enforcement does reduce our capacity to directly deal with these complaints. No action is expected from the Selectboard, but they should be aware of the everincreasing level of complaints.

Old Business

6. The Selectboard will discuss Easement Agreement with Casco Public Library.
Discussion only. No action was taken.
7. The Selectboard will discuss a stakeholders collaboration on the Berry property.
Discussion only. No action was taken.
8. The Selectboard will discuss the quote for upgrading the meeting house.
Discussion only. No action was taken.

9. The Selectboard will consider a Spirit of America nomination for 2025.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to recommend Maureen McAllister for the 2025 Spirit of America award for the Town of Casco.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

New Business

10. The Selectboard will debrief June 4th's Town Meeting.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

11. The Selectboard will consider Town Meeting minutes

The Selectboard moved and seconded to accept the minutes from the June 10, 2025 Annual Town Meeting as presented.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Connolly.

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

12. The Selectboard will discuss Recreation activities

Discussion only. No action was taken.

13. The Selectboard will consider a liquor license renewal for Migis Lodge.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve the liquor license renewal for Migis Lodge and forward the application to the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages for final review.

Motion made by Connolly, Seconded by Fernandes.

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

14. The Selectboard will consider reappointing Pete Watkins to the Planning Board

The Selectboard moved and seconded to reappoint Pete Watkins to the Planning Board for a term that expires on June 30, 2028.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Connolly.

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

15. The Selectboard will consider an Incorporated Civic Organization Special Event application with the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations.

The Selectboard moved and seconded to approve an Incorporated Civic Organization Special Event application submitted by the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland and forward to the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations for review.

Motion made by Avery, Seconded by Connolly.

Voting Yea: Avery, Connolly, Fernandes, Plummer

Voting Abstaining: MacDonald

16. The Selectboard will discuss Open Space grant opportunity and Open Space Playbook.

Discussion only. No action was taken.

17. The Selectboard will discuss the sale of two (2) foreclosed properties located at 388 Roosevelt Trail and 17 Varney Mill Road

This item was tabled.

18. Selectboard Comments

Gene Connolly- School is out, please drive safely. Kudos to the Public Works crew for all their hard work. He hopes everyone will fill out survey.

Bob MacDonald- After attending the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee meeting, it is apparent they are looking for guidance from the Selectboard and the Planning Board.

Grant Plummer- It's July in Casco which means the village is very busy so watch out for all your surroundings. The speed bumps will be installed soon.

Executive Session

19. Executive Session to discuss Concealed Weapons Permits per Title 25, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for application 06/17/2025A

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 06/17/2025A. at 7:02pm.

Motion made by MacDonald, Seconded by Avery.

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

The Selectboard moved and seconded to enter Executive Session at 7:16pm.

Motion made by Fernandes, Seconded by Connolly.

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

20. Adjournment

The Selectboard moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:17pm

Motion made by Connolly, 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)

Month DD, YYYY at HH:MM PM Meeting Name