



Town of Casco
Selectboard Minutes

September 13, 2022

Selectboard Members Present: Robert MacDonald (Chair), Scott Avery (Vice-Chair), Mary Fernandes, Eugene Connolly & Grant Plummer.

Selectboard Members Absent: N/A

Staff Present: Town Manager Tony Ward

Public: Dawn DeBrusk and see attached list

Chair MacDonald asked for motion to approve the agenda.

1. Review and Approval of the Meeting Agenda.

The Selectboard moved (Connolly), seconded (Fernandes) to approve the agenda: 5-0 in favor .

2. Approval of Bills and Signing and Approval of All Open Warrants.

The Selectboard moved (Fernandes), seconded (Avery) to approve bills and sign and approve all open warrants: 5 in favor.

3. Approval of Minutes for August 23, 2022.

The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Connolly) to approve minutes as presented. 5 in favor.

4. Public Participation: Dave Morton spoke about the Town's past plan to keep foreclosed properties for future generations and specific plans for the property located at 476 Poland Spring Road and Burgess Road.

Sam Brown spoke about agenda items #10 & 11 to ensure they would cover previous discussions

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5. Managers' Report

- The vast majority of the Town's Committees and Commissions are near capacity. Included in your packet is a synopsis of the standing committees and boards. There are two additions to this list. Jeffery Raymond will be added to the open space commission tonight which increases the membership to four. Thomas McCarthy volunteered for the Zoning Boards of Appeal but has not been sworn in yet. The only committee that needs additional actions is the veteran's committee. They have multiple residents assisting, but they need must again be approved by the Selectboard and sworn in.
- The annual report is finally completed with copies placed in each of your mailboxes. A digital copy of the report is currently on the website and hard copies will be printed as needed. The delay in this report was caused by the late receipt of the Town's audit.
- Tax bills should be sent out this week. They included the attached pamphlet with bill with the hopes of increasing communication.
- I will be out of the office on Thursday and Friday of this week attending an MMA's strategic planning session. I will be available by cell phone, text, or e-mail throughout the day.
- Next week all Town staff will be receiving training on the Town's new Performance Management system. This will result in the Town office being closed on Wednesday until 11:30 am. The training costs of training for employees receiving appraisals and a second session of employees providing the appraisals. The training is being conducted by KMA HR.
- The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee is re-initiating their monthly meetings beginning tonight. I will arrange with the committee to provide the Selectboard an update at a future meeting.

New Business

6. The Selectboard will consider selecting a date for dangerous building public hearing for the building located at 475 Poland Spring Road.

The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Fernandes) to conduct a public hearing on November 15, 2022 relating to a dangerous house located at 475 Poland Spring Road and have town staff or their representative required pursuant to 17 M.R.S. §2857. 5 in favor.

7. The Selectboard will consider a consider an order authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds and notes.

The Selectboard moved (Fernandes), seconded (Connolly) to authorize issuance of general obligation bonds and notes pursuant to the June 15, 2022 Town Meeting approval Meeting. 4-1 (Plummer opposed) in favor.

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8. The Selectboard will consider extension for Liquor Licenses for Point Sebago.
The Selectboard moved (Connolly), seconded (Plummer) to authorize the 2 extensions of Point Sebago's Liquor License for forwarding to the State of Maine Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages. 4-0-1 (MacDonald Abstained) in favor.
9. The Selectboard will consider appointing Jeffrey Raymond to the Open Space Commission.
The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Fernandes) to appoint Jeffrey Raymond to the Open Commission for a term to expire in 2024. 5 in favor.
10. The Selectboard will consider the property located at Tax Map 32, lot 7.
The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Plummer) to placing the purchase of the property at tax map 32, lot 7 on a Special Town Meeting Warrant with a complete purchase price not to exceed \$20,000. 5 in favor.
11. The Selectboard will consider the property located at Tax Map 32, lot 6.
The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Fernandes) to placing the purchase and razing of the property at tax map 32, lot 6 on a Special Town Meeting Warrant with a complete price not to exceed \$50,000 for land purchase and \$50,000 for demolition of property. 5 in favor.
12. The Selectboard will consider a special Town Meeting to be held on September 27th.
The Selectboard moved (Fernandes), seconded (Avery) to approve a Special Town Meeting to be held at 6:00 PM, September 27, 2022 at the Casco Community Center.
13. The Selectboard will consider Special Town Meeting Warrant.
The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Fernandes) to approve the Special Town Meeting warrant that includes raising of funds for completion of Pleasant Lake Beach project, and the purchase of properties based on the previous votes of items #10 and #11. 5 in favor.
14. Selectboard Comments:
Grant Plummer spoke GPCOG involvement in the comprehensive planning and their positive methods of gaining community input. He also noted an e-mail received by the Selectboard today from the Planning Board and his disappoint their request was not included on the Town Meeting warrant.

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Mary Fernandes requested the intersections of Burgess Road and Poland Spring Road be placed on a future agenda for further Board discussion. She also inquired about the status of the private roadways meeting the 1972 standards.

Scott Avery commended everyone's participation at this meeting. He stated this level input is necessary and the Board needs this type of community guidance. To many meetings occur with only Dawn DeBrusk from the Bridgton News being in the audience.

Robert MacDonald recognized the hard work being done by Town Committees and Selectboard must continue working with them to come up with future plans.

Executive Sessions

- 15. The Selectboard moved (Connolly), seconded (Fernandes) to go into executive session pursuant 1 M.R.S.A. § 405-C at 7:04 pm. Out of executive session at 7:44 pm.**
- 16. The Selectboard moved (Connolly), seconded (Fernandes) to adjourn at 7:44 PM. 5 in favor.**