



Town of Casco

Selectboard Minutes

May 2, 2023

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

Selectboard Members Absent:

Staff Present: Town Manager Tony Ward, Chief Brian Cole

Public: Tiffany Payton, Sam Brown, Jeff Raymond, Ray Grant, Eric Dibner, Sue Witonis, Tom Mulkern, Ryan McAllister, Dawn DeBrusk, Amy Brown, Kristin Chute, Lynn Potter, Trevor Tidd, Eileen Tidd, Deborah Fogg, Curtis Robbins, Dale Caskey and Andy H.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

- 1** Review and Approval of the Meeting Agenda.
The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Fernandes) to approve the agenda as amended: 5 in favor .
- 2** Approval of Bills and Signing and Approval of All Open Warrants.
The Selectboard moved (Connolly), seconded (Avery) to approve bills and sign and approve all open warrants: 5 in favor
- 3** Approval of Minutes: April 18, 2023 minutes
The Selectboard moved (Fernandes), seconded (Avery) to approve the agenda as amended: 5 in favor .
- 4** Public Participation:
Tiffany Payton inquired about the status of the conservation committee and their level of activity.

Selectboard approved on 05-16-2023

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5 Managers' Report:

- The Town recently received concerns about potential contamination of a well within the village area by road salt. A claim has been filed on behalf of the resident with our insurance carrier, Maine Municipal Association. Further discussion to occur in executive session with council.
- The Town recently posted multiple Planning Board openings that are occurring based on term expirations and one resignation. Requests for appointments are being accepted until May 9th. I am also working on an updated Board appointment policy for the Selectboard's review. I would anticipate this policy being presented to the Selectboard at in early June
- As requested by the Selectboard, I am in communication with Maine DOT reference concerns raised by Selectboard member Avery at the April 18th meeting.
- Included in your packet is a copy of correspondence received by the Town from Lewiston Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority (LAWPCA) about their increase effective January 1, 2024. The rate increase was listed in the e-mail, but not in the body of the letter. The rate increase will be increased from \$0.12 to \$0.14. This rate increase does not affect the Town's budget, but any resident that uses this facility to dispose of septic waste.
- Central Maine Power advised that the transition to all LED lights should begin sometime in July. I am working with the local office about areas of the Town where additional lights would be beneficial.
- The Request For Proposals for FY24 road maintenance and the reclaiming of New Road and South Casco Village Road is out. We are conducting a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting on May 4th at 2:00 pm. The bid opening will be on May 11th at 2:00pm in the community center. The complete bid packet is included in your package.
- The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee is conducting an open house on the draft Comprehensive Plan on May 13th between the hours of 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. They should finalize the schedule at their May 1st meeting. If additional information is available after this meeting, I will advise. They are also requesting a joint public hearing between the Planning Board and Selectboard on May 18th. Unless the board objects, I will post this meeting as required by Maine law.

Old Business

- 6 The Selectboard will discuss Feasibility Study of the Casco Fire/Rescue with Port City Architects

No Action. Discussion Only.

- 7 The Selectboard will consider FY24 Town Meeting Warrant

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Avery) to approve the FY 24 Town Meeting as presented (or amended). 5-0 in favor

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New Business

- 8 The Selectboard will consider an offer to purchase Ambulance # 3.
The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Fernandes) to approve the sale of the 2016 Horton Ambulance to Med-Care Ambulance for a price of \$25,000. 5-0 in favor.
- 9 The Selectboard will discuss the Freedom of Access Policy.
No Action. Discussion Only.
- 10 The Selectboard will consider invasive plants on Town property located on Mayberry Hill Road
No Action.
- 11 The Selectboard will consider reinstalling delineators on Meadow Road.
No Action.
- 12 The Selectboard will consider foreclosed property located at 15 Varney Road.
No Action. Discussion Only.
- 13 The Selectboard will consider an grant opportunity for Networked EV chargers.
The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Fernandes) to authorize the Town Manager to apply for level 2 Network EV chargers grant through Efficiency Maine.

14 Selectboard Comments

Selectboard Member Fernandes wanted to voice concerns over the physical status of the residence located at Poland Spring Road and Tenney Hill.

Selectboard Member MacDonald wanted to thank the Fire Department and Public Works for their efforts on the recent rain/windstorm. Their efforts were noticed.

Selectboard Member Avery wanted to recognize the previous work done on the roadways and how this positively affected the roads with the most recent storm. .

Selectboard Member Plummer state he was going to request and update on the storm damage, but previous questions answered his questions.

Workshop

15. The Selectboard will discuss future opportunities with Open Space Commission

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Executive Session

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

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Avery) to go into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A.405(6)(E) Consultation with legal counsel. 5-0 in favor.

17. Adjournment

The Selectboard moved (Connolly), seconded (Avery) to adjourn at 8:39 pm. 4-0-1 (Fernandes) in favor.

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