

Town of Casco

Selectboard Minutes

August 17, 2021

Selectboard Chair Mary Fernandes opened the meeting at 6:29pm.

Selectboard Members Present: Mary-Vienessa Fernandes (Chair), Holly Hancock, Robert

MacDonald, Scott Avery

Staff Present: Town Manager Tony Ward

Public: Sue Witonis

Chair Fernandes asked for motion to approve the agenda.

1. Review and Approval of the Meeting Agenda

The Selectboard moved (Hancock), seconded (Avery) to approve the agenda: 4 in favor

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

The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (MacDonald), and voted to approve bills and sign and approve all open warrants: 4 in favor.

3. Approval of Minutes:

The Selectboard moved (Hancock), seconded (MacDonald) to approve the August 3, 2021 minutes: 3 in favor and 1 abstention (Fernandes).

4. Public Participation

None

5. Managers' Report

- Soft Grand Opening for Memorial Field to occur on August 24th at 6 pm.
- All but 2 applicants withdrew from the public works hiring process. 1 applicant was interviewed on Monday and the second will be interviewed on Wednesday.
- The rate of pay for per diem employees is rapidly changing and the Town will need to discuss this dynamic situation. The Chief and I will provide future policy recommendations towards methods of minimizing the developing discrepancy.
- Began the wage and benefit analysis for all staff. Contracted with KMA HR of Falmouth after receiving a quote and references. The quote was approximately \$8,00 under the budgeted amount.
- Complaint about the practice of clearing brush and culverts.
- The ad hoc committee discussing short term rentals meet for the first time today at 4:30 pm. The ad hoc committee consists of Candace Carr, Donna Murphy, Maggie Krainen, Michelle Williams and Tom McCarthy are on the committee. Upcoming meeting dates will be announced during the meeting.
- Use of Crooked River School as polling site for November election.
- Medicinal and Recreational Marijuana discussion.
- Town Property discussion relating to allowing dogs on certain properties.

Public Hearing

- 6. The Selectboard will consider an application for a mass Gathering Permit-Major submitted by the Sebago Lakes Chamber of Commerce
 - Moved (Avery), seconded (Hancock) to approved the Mass Gathering Permit-Major submitted by the Sebago Lakes Chamber of Commerce. 3 In favor and 1 abstention (MacDonald).
- 7. The Selectboard will consider an Application for Special Tasting Event License.
 - Moved (Avery), seconded (Avery) to approved the application for a Special Tasting Event License for the Spirit Festival to be held on September 18th. 3 In favor and 1 abstention (MacDonald).

Old Business

8. Consideration of Credit/Debit Card Policy.

Moved (Avery), seconded (Hancock), to approve the Town of Casco Credit/Debit Card Policy as presented and discussed: 4 in favor.

Approved by the Selectboard on September 21, 2021

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 Consideration Chair Transition or Updated Selectboard.
 Moved (MacDonald), seconded (Hancock) to amended Selectboard Rules of Order and Procedures as presented and discussed: 4 in favor.

10. Follow-up on 388 Roosevelt Trail Maine District Court **Discussion Only. No Action.**

New Business

11. Consider a Representative on the EcoMaine Board of Directors.

Moved (MacDonald), seconded (Avery) to appoint the Town Manager to represent Town of Casco on the Eco Maine Board of Directors. 4 in favor.

12. Discussion on a Conflict-of-Interest Policy.

Discussion Only. No Action.

13. Consider a lease intent letter with Greenwood Emergency.

Moved (MacDonald), seconded (Fernandes) authorizing the Fire Chief to sign a letter of intent reference a lease purchase of fire engine. However, not other actions may occur relating 4 in favor.to a lease purchase of a new engine without Town Meeting authorization. 4 in favor.

14. Selectboard will discuss tax commitment

Moved (Avery), seconded (Hancock) approved the overlay amount and tax commitment as presented by the Town Manager. 4 in favor.

15. Consider moving Selectboard meeting from September 7, 2021 to September 14, 2021.

Moved (Avery), seconded (Hancock) to move Selectboard Meeting from September 7, 2021 to September 14, 2021.

16. Recognize volunteerism within the Community.

Discussion Only. No Action.

- 17. Selectboard Comments
 - Selectperson Hancock commented on a demolition of old Spurwink School.
 - Selectperson Hancock commented on a stop sign vegetation at Quaker Ridge

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Road.

- Selectperson Avery commented on concerns relating to Libby Road and Maple Street.
- Selectperson Avery commented on the community feel created by the performance that occurred at Casco Day Park.
- Selectperson Avery commented the Town should again research the costs associated with contracting with CCSO based on the speeding he observed at the above performance.
- Selectperson MacDonald requested that a list of tax acquired property and CBD sales be included in a September agenda.

Executive Session

18. Executive Session Title 25, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for applications A-8/17/21, B-8/17/21, C-8/17/21, D-8/17/21, E-8/17/21, and F-8/17/21

Moved into Executive Session 7:25 PM. Out of Executive Session 7:32 PM.

Moved (Hancock), seconded (Avery) to approve Concealed Weapons for applications A-8/17/21, B-8/17/21, C-8/17/21, D-8/17/21, E-8/17/21, and F-8/17/21. 4 in favor.

The Selectboard moved (Hancock), seconded (Avery) to adjourn at 7:34 pm. 4 in favor.