

Town of Casco

Minutes of the March 28, 2017 Selectboard Meeting

Selectboard Members Present:

Holly Hancock, Mary Fernandes, Grant Plummer, Calvin Nutting and Tom Peaslee

Staff Present:

Town Manager David Morton and Administrative Secretary Bob Tooker

Approval of Agenda:

The agenda was amended to include a report from Michelle Brenner, Director of the Casco Public Library, and move agenda item seven to a future meeting.

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Fernandes) and voted to approve the agenda for the March 28, 2017 Selectboard meeting as amended: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Approval of Warrants:

The Selectboard moved (Fernandes), seconded (Peaslee) and voted to approve bills and sign open warrants: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Approval of Minutes: (March 21, 2017)

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Peaslee) and voted to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2017 Selectboard meeting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions.

Town Manager's Update: (David Morton)

- The Pleasant Lake/Parker Pond dam final inspection is scheduled for March 29, 2017.
- The process of codifying Town ordinances is nearly complete.
- The process for issuing Town bonds is nearly complete.

Committee and Staff Reports: (Michelle Brenner)

Michelle Brenner, Director of the Casco Public Library, reported on library programs and services with special emphasis on upcoming events related to its 65th year, including a screening of the movie "Singing in the Rain" that was released the year it opened.

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Public Participation:

Kristin Chute offered payment plans to bring property taxes up to date for two properties in jeopardy of foreclosure.

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Fernandes) and voted to approve payment plans of \$400.00 per month for account 43 and \$500.00 per month for account 168, and to review both accounts in six months: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Old Business:

1. Review of tax acquired property list.

The Selectboard 1) reviewed each property on a tax acquired property list in an effort to estimate value and identify sale conditions including clean-up requirements; 2) agreed that “clean-up” should be defined as the removal of everything not naturally occurring; and 3) noted that abutters will soon be notified regarding tax acquired properties for sale and that the properties will soon be advertised.

Robin Carlson, an abutter to tax acquired properties that include a number of abandoned mobile homes, expressed an interest in acquiring the properties with the intention of removing the mobile homes.

New Business:

2. Review of an application for a recycler permit for Colonial Auto Body.

Code Enforcement Officer Alex Sirois stated that since Colonial Auto Body existed at its current location before current zoning ordinances were adopted, it is a legal non-conforming use. Alex stated that its license needs to be administratively renewed annually and approved by the Selectboard every five years.

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Peaslee) and voted to approve the recycler permit for Colonial Auto Body: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

3. Review of an application for a liquor license for Point Sebago.

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Peaslee) and voted to approve the liquor license application for Point Sebago: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

4. Discussion regarding a workshop on April 11, 2017 to review road projects.

The Selectboard discussed the types of information that would be helpful for its April 11, 2017 workshop on road projects, including road project pricing estimates versus actual contract costs, road maintenance savings resulting from road reconstruction, and how miscellaneous road funding is spent. The Selectboard discussed the importance of quality control and the need for a focus on three to five year plans.

5. Committee appointments.

Larry Dyer described his conservation background and interest in serving on the Conservation Committee.

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Fernandes) and voted to appoint Larry Dyer to the Conservation Committee: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Peaslee) and voted to appoint Geof Hancock to the Zoning Board of Appeals: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

6. Selectboard comments.

David Morton stated that the Town has received a second installment of \$100,000 from the Tenney Hill Reparation Fund.

7. Review of applications for abatement of taxes due to poverty or infirmity. (Requires executive session subject to Title 1 M.R.S.A., subsection 405, paragraph 6, part F., and pursuant to Title 36 M.R.S.A. subsection 841(2).)

This agenda item was moved to a future Selectboard meeting.

The Selectboard moved (Peaslee), seconded (Fernandes) and voted to adjourn: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

ATTEST:

Robert Tooker
Administrative Secretary