

## Town of Casco

### **Minutes of the June 6, 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:**

Holly Hancock amended the agenda to address item two first.

**The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Peaslee) and voted to approve the agenda for the June 6, 2017 Selectboard meeting as amended: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.**

#### **Approval of Warrants:**

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

#### **Approval of Minutes: (May 23, 2017)**

**The Selectboard moved (Plummer), seconded (Fernandes) and voted to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2017 Selectboard meeting: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention.**

#### **Town Manager's Update: (David Morton)**

- The Town is seeking qualified individuals for the position of Shoreland Zoning Assistant to the Code Enforcement Officer.
- The solid waste recycling facility is looking for a qualified frontend loader operator.
- Work is beginning on the Memorial Park. The Maine National Guard will be working onsite during the next two weeks erecting a concession stand/utility hub building and pouring a slab for an open pavilion.
- The Edwards Road construction project is expected to begin next week.

- The Berry Park Committee has been working to develop plans for the eventual construction of Berry Park.
- Town Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Fire Station. Warrants are available on the town website and at the Town Office.
- Voting for town and school board elected positions will be held on Tuesday, June 13 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Casco Community Center.

### **Committee and Staff Reports:**

None.

### **Public Participation:**

David Kimball expressed his opinions about municipal government checks and balances, the integrity of land ownership records and due diligence as they relate to his dispute regarding ownership of a parcel of land at Casco Tax Map 39, Lot 1.

Mark Kingston stated that his request for a zoning variance was not approved by the Planning Board and inquired as to whether the Zoning Board of Appeals process could be made easier. David Morton stated that any process can be changed but that it is not typically a quick process. David encouraged Mark to come forward with recommendations.

### **New Business:**

1. Recognition of years of service for retiring firefighter Dennis Michaud.

Mary Fernandes presented Dennis Michaud with a Certificate of Achievement and thanked him for his thirty years of exemplary firefighting service to the towns of Naples and Casco. Dennis thanked the Town of Casco for the opportunity and expressed that it has been a pleasure to serve.

### **Old Business:**

2. Discussions in advance of Town Meeting (June 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Casco Fire Station).

David Morton stated that the June 14, 2017 Town Meeting warrant is posted on the town website and available at the Town Office. David stated that the only attachment not included in the warrant is a thick copy of codified town ordinances up for adoption at Town Meeting. David stated that the codified ordinances are posted on the town website, available for review at the Town Office, and will also be available for review at Town Meeting. The Selectboard discussed the warrant in general terms in preparation for Town Meeting.

## Selectboard Comments:

- Holly Hancock called for opinions as to whether or not the Berry Park Committee should make a presentation at Town Meeting about its plans for the park. Noting that the Committee was created to report to the Selectboard, the Selectboard instructed David Morton to speak to the Committee about holding off on its presentation. The Selectboard praised the good work and enthusiasm of the Committee.
- Holly Hancock commented on curb damage resulting from Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) street sweeping. Grant Plummer suggested that a list of these and other issues be submitted to MDOT. In response to an inquiry from Tom Peaslee, David Morton stated that road shoulders need to be graded periodically to control the buildup of winter sand.
- In response to an inquiry from Mary Fernandes, David Morton commented on the status of rebidding the library and community center septic system project. David stated that the project will likely occur in the fall.
- In response to an inquiry from Holly Hancock, David Morton stated that roadside mowing is typically scheduled for late July.
- In response to an inquiry from Calvin Nutting, David Morton stated that road striping is scheduled for June 15, weather permitting.
- In response to an inquiry from Calvin Nutting emphasizing the need to repair a dry fire hydrant on Raymond Cape Road, Holly Hancock stated that it is on the contractor's list but the Town may need to find a new contractor.
- In response to an inquiry from Mary Fernandes, David Morton stated that he was unsure when the next tax acquired property sale will occur.
- Grant Plummer commented on the scheduling of voting and the combination of School Administrative District (SAD) 61 voting with State of Maine voting, particularly with respect to voter turnout and costs. David Morton stated that the Town's approach has remained consistent and does not result in staffing or cost inefficiencies. David stated that the level of staffing for elections is regulated by the State and that Town costs for elections are typically \$500 - \$600.

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

ATTEST:

Robert Tooker  
Administrative Secretary