

Town of Casco

Minutes of the June 19, 2018 Selectboard Meeting

Selectboard Members Present:

Holly Hancock, Mary Fernandes, Calvin Nutting and Tom Peaslee

Staff Present:

Town Manager David Morton, Code Enforcement Officer Alex Sirois and Administrative Secretary Bob Tooker

Approval of Agenda:

It was moved, seconded and voted to approve the agenda for the June 19, 2018 Selectboard meeting: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Approval of Warrants:

It was moved, seconded and voted to approve bills and sign open warrants: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Approval of Minutes: (June 5, 2018)

It was moved, seconded and voted to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2018 Selectboard meeting: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Town Manager's Update: (David Morton)

- Final coats of paving on Edward's Road and Johnson Hill Road are scheduled for the week of July 16, 2018.
- Glidden Excavating & Paving is doing preparation work for paving behind the community center and library buildings. Traffic will be restricted through the weekend and parking area stripping should take place next week.
- Construction of a portion of Tenney Hill Road will begin this week. Construction on Cook's Mills Road will follow.
- The Town is still looking for parties interested in two mobile homes located on the Jackson property. The mobile homes cannot be relocated in Casco.

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- Contracts have been signed for the construction of a pavilion at Memorial School field.

Committee and Staff Reports:

Code Enforcement Officer Alex Sirois updated the Selectboard on the status of 1) a violation at 988 Meadow Road involving an illegal dog kennel; 2) a shore land zone violation at 46 Parsons Point Road; and 3) a shore land zone violation at 10 Mondor White Road. Alex stated that additional violations throughout the Town will be addressed as time permits.

Public Participation:

Tuan Nguyen, a recently elected MSAD 61 school board member, updated the Selectboard on his school board activities and stated that he requested to be the school board representative to the student council and adult education panel. Tuan noted that if it were not for the Town's investment in recreation, girls would not have had the opportunity to compete in the recent state championship lacrosse game.

New Business:

1. Discussion regarding road paving for 2018.

David Morton stated that he is waiting for a per ton price for paving material and cost estimates for proposed paving on Mayberry Hill Road, New Road and Hillside Avenue. David stated that earlier cost estimates for the three proposed roads were based on average per mile costs for shimming, paving and road shoulders. In response to and inquiries from Calvin Nutting, David stated that 1) work on Raymond Cape Road will be scheduled next year with road reconstruction funds; and 2) repairs to a dry hydrant on Raymond Cape Road could be included in next year's project. David stated that the Selectboard will need to decide which roads to pave this year and whether the Town should negotiate with the current contractor or put the projects out to bid. The Selectboard agreed to negotiate with the current contractor.

It was moved, seconded and voted to approve the proposed roads: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

2. Discussion and any action required following Town Meeting held on June 12 and 13.

Tom Peaslee 1) expressed his appreciation for the Open Space Commission's good work; 2) clarified that the Commission is not in the land acquisition business; and 3) stated that the Commission is open to public participation, especially for anyone interested in how the Commission functions.

3. Review of account carry forward request from the Casco Fire Chief.

David Morton stated that Casco Fire Chief Brian Cole requested an account carry forward

because he has not had time to plan projects that were approved before he was recently appointed as Casco Fire Chief. The Selectboard agreed to review the request at its July 10, 2018 meeting pending the dollar amount.

Old Business:

4. Discussion regarding municipal salaries and wages.

Mary Fernandes stated that it would be in the Town's interest to review Cumberland County statistics in the American Fact Finder 2012 - 2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates published by the U.S. Census Bureau, particularly with respect to the hiring of a new town manager. The Selectboard discussed the challenges of finding qualified paid personnel for municipal jobs and agreed that this will be an ongoing topic for discussion.

5. Selectboard comments.

- Holly Hancock added Emergency Medical Services (EMS) billing to the July 10, 2018 Selectboard meeting agenda.
- Mary Fernandes stated that her recent ride on a Regional Transportation Program (RTP) bus was an eye opener. Mary stated that the bus service provides essential transportation for employment, medical needs and other necessities to individuals who might otherwise be without transportation. David Morton commented on potential concerns that could arise as a result of surrounding towns reducing levels of funding for the program.

It was moved, seconded and voted to adjourn: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

ATTEST:

Robert Tooker
Administrative Secretary