



Town of Casco
Selectboard Minutes

June 15, 2021

Selectboard Chair Tom Peaslee opened the meeting at 6:30pm.

Selectboard Members Present: Mary-Vienessa Fernandes (Vice Chair), Holly Hancock, Tom Peaslee (Chair), Robert MacDonald, Scott Avery

Staff Present: Town Manager Tony Ward

Public: Sue Witones, Dawn DeBusk, Candace Carr, Barbara Sparrow, Donna Murphy, Adam Wolpert, Brian Wolpert, Rick Jones, Tom McCarthy, Michael Williams, Sheri Farthing, Bob Farthing and James Sample

Chair Tom asked for motion to approve the agenda.

1. Review and Approval of the Meeting Agenda

The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (Hancock) to amend the agenda to take item 6 before item 5 and approve the agenda: in favor 5

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

The Selectboard moved (MacDonald), seconded (Avery), and voted to approve bills and sign and approve all open warrants: 5 in favor.

3. Approval of Minutes:

The Selectboard moved (Hancock), seconded (Fernandes) to approve the June 1, 2021 minutes: 5 in favor.

4. Public Participation

Donna Murphy and Tom McCarthy spoke on short-term rental, aka air bnb.

5. Managers' Report

The Manager reported on the following:

The results of the June 9th Town Meeting in chart and excel format

Thanked both GPCOG and Maine Department of Transportation for use of "clickers" utilized in tallying votes at Town Meeting. The estimated tax rate will go up 1.35% based on the proposed budget.

Mary Fernandes voted as 2nd Vice President of GPCOG

Town Leaders and staff received concerns about increased problems associated with Air BnB. Further dialogue to occur.

Margaret Dilley resigned from the Veterans Committee

Additional ARPA guidance about the use of these funds provided by Maine Municipal Association.

6. Discussion of authorizing land enforcement action in Maine District Court regarding 941 Quaker Ridge Road (Manager)

Moved (Hancock), seconded (Fernandes), to approve authorized the Code Enforcement Officer to proceed with Land Enforcement Action in District Court against 941 Quaker Ridge Road. In favor 5.

7. Discussion regarding the extending Administrative Agreement between Crooked River Campground, Inc and the Town of Casco. (Manager)

Moved (Avery), seconded (Fernandes), to approve the extending the Administrative Agreement between Crooked River Campground, Inc and Town of Casco for 2 years: in favor 5.

8. Discussion of approving Game of Chance and Beano/Bingo applications for Casco days. (Manager)
Moved (MacDonald), seconded (Fernandes), to approve applications for 1 Beano/Bingo and 7 Games of Chances for Casco Day Park.: in favor 3, abstention 2(Hancock, Avery)

9. Discussion of approving Beano/Bingo application for Camp Sunshine. (Manager)
Moved (Hancock), seconded (Avery) to approve application for Beano/Bingo for Camp Sunshine: in favor 4, 1 abstention (MacDonald)

10. Discussion to consider to writing of taxes as uncollectable for Ryan & Janie Card on 845 Yellow Road. (Manager)
Moved (Hancock), seconded (Avery), to authorize the writing off of taxes as uncollectable for Ryan & Jamie Card on 845 Yellow Road in favor 3, oppose 2

11. Executive Session to discuss Poverty Abatement per Title 1, Part 5, Chapter 252, Section 2006 for case 6/15/21 (Manager)
Moved (Fernandes), seconded (Avery) to set the fee for a new Liquor License and \$25 for a renewal of a Liquor License: in favor 5.

12. Executive Session to discuss Poverty Abatement request case 06/15/2021 per Title 1, Subsection 405(F) (Manager)
Moved to go into Executive Session in favor 5.
Moved to come out of Executive Session in favor 5
Moved (Hancock), seconded (MacDonald) to approve poverty abatement Case 6/15/21, in favor 5.

13. Selectboard Comments
Scott wanted to support the Naples Community and encourage Casco residents to attend music events be sponsored by Naples' businesses.

Bob requested that the Code Enforcement Officer attend Board of Selectmen meetings on a quarterly basis to receive updates associated with their position.

The Selectboard moved (Avery), seconded (MacDonald) to adjourn at 7:11pm. 5 in favor.

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