CALAIS PLANNING COMMISSION

August 15, 2017 Approved Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jan Ohlsson, Gary Root, Ron Shaw, John McCullough
Guest: Vernon Turner

1) Convened 7:05 p.m. @ Calais Town Office
2) Corrected dates on last minutes and accepted them.
3) Discussed Calais Web Map (aka Calais Online Map) which was recently revamped and made accessible via the Town Website.
    a. Vernon Turner came in to discuss an error on the map regarding his house, driveway, and Dugar Brook Road. McCullough said that he believes that this error is the confluence of bad data from multiple sources, i.e. State of Vermont E911 addressing and whoever manages the digital (geospatial) highway and road data for the State.
    b. A general discussion on the Calais Web Map identified a number of map problems. Among these are:
        i. Too many layers are turned on map at start-up, resulting in very long waits for a complete display, especially via a DSL internet connection. It was agreed that the default "layers-on" at startup should be only the aerial photo and 2016 Calais parcels.
        ii. Inaccurate data relating to Conserved Land and CUSE should be made accurate if it is to have any value.
        iii. State road data appears kind of sketchy. Why do not all town roads display correctly?
        iv. Natural Resource geospatial data such as Deer Yards, Bear Habitat, Wildlife Linkages, etc. which does not have a direct relationship to current Zoning Regulations does not need to be included on Web Map.
        v. Attribute data (which was provided by the Town to CVRPC to be included on the Web Map) should be updated to include E911 physical addresses and any corrections.
    c. It was agreed that a complete list of concerns regarding the Web Map would be sent to Pam DeAndrea at CVRPC for her to comment on and make map changes.
4) McCullough says that he finally made his long-promised changes to the East Montpelier ***Flood Hazard Area*** Zoning Regulations document so that it could apply to Calais. He will email these changes to the PC in advance of a thorough discussion at a future meeting.
5) Meeting adjourned at 9:10