

Calais Development Review Board  
Draft Minutes October 27, 2011

Board Members Present: Margaret Bowen, Chair; Ruth Porter, Nedene Martin, Steve Reynes, Steve Duke and Tim Scandale, Secretary.

Others Present: Mi-Hae Hooper, David Blythe, John McCullough and Rolf Mueller, Calais ZA.

**2011-42 Mi-Haa Hooper**

This is a continuation of the 10/13/11 hearing. It was noted that the applicant has more information for the DRB.

The applicant stated that her septic has passed permitting tests. She submitted two letters to the Board stating that the septic passed and showed a picture of the holding tanks. One letter was from Craig Chase and the other was from Jim O'Riordan. It was noted that Craig Chase thinks the septic was put in legally.

The applicants plumber, Jim O'Riordan, thinks that ground water is getting in the seal of the holding tank. It was noted that in the picture shown to the Board, you could see the water and where a frost heave broke the seal. Mr. O'Riordan told the applicant that this is what is causing the problem and that it is easy to fix.

It was noted that there are only two holding tanks and not a septic system. The tanks have not been repaired yet. Jim O'Riordan has given directions on how to fix them.

The letter from Craig Chase addresses the zoning regulations and states that there are no issues and that nothing needs to be designed by an engineer. He stated that this is a common problem and easy to fix.

In order to address the deed issue, the DRB has scheduled a site visit for October 30 at 8:00 am.

The DRB stating the following:

- Since the septic is fine, the well is also fine.
- They will deal with the change of use.
- The applicant only needs the septic to be approved.
- The proposed deck/porch would be connected to the house, the old one was in the water and not attached,
- They will look at the proposed woodshed and the current green shed. The woodshed would need a permit and no permit would be required to repair the green shed.

It was noted that the DRB has requested the applicant to submit a letter from Craig Chase

stating that the septic is fine for full time residential use. The applicant will also confirm the size of the tanks and fax this and the letter to the Town Clerk.

After the site visit and once the letter is received, the DRB will close the hearing and make a decision within 45 days.

### **2011-22 Marten roof, Old West Church Road**

John McCullough was at the hearing to represent the applicant. It was noted that the applicant wants to amend the application to include a standing seam metal roof.

The DAB accepts the amendment and asked John to bring a letter from the Marten's to the DRB asking for an amendment. It was noted that the letter was submitted.

The standing seam metal roof will be dark, gray charcoal.

A motion was made to close the hearing.

### **Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the corrected minutes from September 29, 2011.

A motion was made to approve the corrected minutes from October 13, 2011.

A motion was made to approve Peg's site visit minutes.

There being no further business to discuss, all were in favor to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Scandale,  
DRB Secretary