

Selectboard Charge to the Calais Ordinance Advisory Committee

Proposed

An ordinance advisory committee is created to review the Calais laws, to give Calais citizens an opportunity to participate in the review and development of recommendations, and to bring specific recommendations for changes to the Selectboard.

The Selectboard has identified 4 ordinances that need immediate attention and the committee should begin by reviewing and making recommendations for change to these. They are: The Curtis Pond Island Ordinance, the Curtis Pond Recreation Area Ordinance, the Dog Ordinance, and the Use of Town Highway Right of Way Ordinance. The committee will review these and bring specific recommendations for change to the Selectboard.

Next, the committee is to turn its attention to road issues. It should review the Calais road standards, the shade tree ordinance, the town roads ordinance and the curb cut ordinance and make recommendations for change so that these work together to ensure that Calais roads are built and maintained in a way that reflects the values of the town.

In the course of its work, the committee shall follow all provisions of the Vermont state open meeting law, which includes warning meetings and posting an agenda at least 2 days in advance, giving Calais residents an opportunity to provide information and opinions in the course of its work, and posting minutes. The committee may consult with other committees, staff and other knowledgeable people as needed.

After one year, the committee will meet with the Selectboard to discuss a permanent structure and charge to the committee, and which items should be prioritized for future review.