

CALAIS PLANNING COMMISSION

February 7, 2023 Minutes

Members Present: Jan Ohlsson, Melanie Kehne, Gary Root, John McCullough

Guests: Anne Winchester, Noreen Bryan, Larry Bush, David Ellenbogen

- 1) Convened via ZOOM 7:05 p.m. @ Calais Town Hall
- 2) Accepted Jan 10 Minutes. Still to accept = Jan 24?
- 3) Review of Calais' Shoreland Overlay District standards (SHROD)
 - a. Insertion of language regarding DRB Conditional Use Approval for enclosing porches
 - b. Language regarding DRB Review /Approval for reestablishment of Vegetative Buffers and bank stabilization proposals.
 - i. Should some sort of Permitting be required for any new planting in Vegetative Buffer?
 - ii. It was agreed that bank stabilization which is part of a dam rehabilitation proposal is exempt from local review
- 4) Waivers
 - a. It was decided to table waiver discussion until next meeting
- 5) Mineral Extraction
 - a. Discussion particularly focused on Fairmont Farms extracting tremendous quantities of sand on their parcel on Rte 14 for bedding without having a permit for extraction. It was agreed to remove the exemption cited in Section 4.4, Extraction and Quarrying, (A), 2), as it relates to Agriculture.
- 6) Next Meeting = Review Section 5.5 with regard to Design Advisory Board review processes and protocols
- 7) Meeting adjourned circa 9 pm..