

CALAIS PLANNING COMMISSION

October 19, 2021 Minutes

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

Guests via ZOOM : Larry Bush (Calais Conservation Commission), Clare Rock (Senior Planner, Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC)), Denise Wheeler (Chair, Calais Select Board), Toni Kaeding (Chair, Worcester Planning Commission) & Teagan Dykeman-Brown (Calais resident)

- 1) Convened 7:10 p.m. at the Calais Town Hall
- 2) Commenced Public Hearing with regard to amendments to the Town Plan.
 - a. Reviewed Town Plan **Economic Development** amendment language as it relates to proposed Village Center Designations.
 - b. Clare Rock suggested that we should have a simpler map showing the proposed boundary for the North Calais VCD and no graphic reference to zoned village district or historic district. It was clarified that VCD maps in the Town Plan should show these VCDs as they are now. As there is no North Calais VCD, there is no map.
 - c. Clare Rock suggested that we offer a vision statement with regard to the North Calais VCD.
 - d. Clare Rock said that the four proposed **Forest Integrity** maps supersede the existing Connecting Habitat and Habitat Block maps in the 2008 Town Plan. Jan Ohlsson said she would have these two existing maps deleted, the four new maps inserted in the Town Plan, and that these changes would be reflected in the Commission Report.
 - e. Clare Rock told us that these amendments to the Town Plan did not reset the clock as far as the required re-write of the Plan in 2024.
 - f. Clare Rock reminded us to add the date of these Town Plan amendments to the cover of the Town Plan.
- 3) Resumed discussion of River Corridor Overlay and Flood Hazard Overlay Districts. Pretty much wrapped that up. Gary to look at how graphics associated with FHO fit in the proposed new language.
- 4) Meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.