

# Town of Calais, Vermont

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## Selectboard Special Meeting Minutes

*Saturday, October 16, 2021 at 10 am, Chapin Town Forest*

**Present:** Denise Wheeler (Chair), John Brabant (Member), Rick Kehne (Member), Sharon Winn Fannon (Vice Chair);; Larry Bush (Conservation Commission); Neighbors: Tyler Clark, Kyle Booth; Shawn O'Neil; Danielle Laquerre

**Absent:** Marc Mihaly (Member); Alfred Larrabee (Road Commissioner); Neal Maker (Conservation Commission); Tom Blachy (Chair, Trails Committee)

1. Call to Order: Denise Wheeler called the site visit to order at 10:07 am.
2. Public Comment: None.
3. Review, Additions/Changes to Agenda: None
4. Chapin Town Forest 2<sup>nd</sup> Site Visit:
  - The Board walked a portion of the Class 4 road;
  - Chapin Forest is approximately 34 acres;
  - The Board observed the parking area as flagged by the Road Commissioner per the Conservation Commissions request (9' per car for a total of 54' equals 6 spaces);
  - Chapin Town Forest is to the left of the Class 4 road and private property to the right;
  - Neal Maker flagged trees that would need to be cut;
  - Rick Kehne noted a need for appropriate drainage;
  - The Board observed two other alternative parking area possibilities;
  - Questions were raised regarding a survey of the forest. Larry will check with Paul Hannon, surveyor;
  - The road into Chapin Forest (a class 4 road) is mainly used by hunters. Neighbors noted that hunters often trespass on privately owned and posted adjourner and neighbor properties;
  - Neighbors expressed concerns that there would be increased traffic – Chapin Rd. is narrow so when you meet another vehicle someone has to pull over;
  - Trails Committee will be holding a walk through Chapin Forest with Eric Sorenson on Sunday, October 31, 2021 at 11 a.m.
5. Other Business/Old Business/New Business: None.
6. Adjournment: Sharon Winn Fannon made a motion to adjourn at 10:47am. Rick Kehne seconded the motion which was voted on and carried 4-0.

Date: 10/21/2021 Respectfully Submitted, Denise Wheeler

*Approved by the Selectboard at the 10/25/2021 meeting*

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