

Calais Planning Commission

July 12, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Gary Root, Chair; Janice Ohlsson, Vice Chair; John McCullough; Ronnie Shaw; Melanie Kehne

Others Present: Julie Hand, Geraldine Gilman, Steve Sweeney and Scott Bassage

Meeting started at 7:04 PM.

- Flood resilience and hazard mitigation?
- Impervious surface research

Discussion of hazard mitigation plan

- state standards with respect to emergency planning and disaster mitigation.
- accepted by FEMA
- zoning regulations and river corridors (erosion, etc.).
- town needs to do something about it
- identify structures, scope and language in zoning (Fluvial hazard erosion area)
- we only get disaster relief for repairs of roads as long as they meet minimum state standards.
- we need to review Calais road & bridge standards.
- Do we need to accept new FEMA maps that have been revised?
- Revise map in town plan and review language for reference.
- Present to SB new flood map overlay

Public comment on non-agenda items (Shoreland regulations)

Memo from Denise about Amy Picotte (watershed & water quality)
7/19 joint meeting with SB

Calais roads and runoff-

What road should be an example?

-Upper camp Road, East Hill, Marshfield Road, Worcester Road, Sand Hill Rd?

Can PC do anything about it?

We can with buffers, etc which affects run off from roads.

Study from Regional PC?

Discussion of Impervious Surface Mitigation

- 10% to 20% and how you measure it?
- Do we add impervious surfaces by stream?
- Ratio of mitigation?

Discussion of shore land standards

- Need engineer who is licensed?
- Definition of impervious surface?
- New impervious surface materials?

Presentation hardware

- Google earth with property contours
- Site lines
- Ridgeline protection?
- Public rights of way and discussion of site lines

- Solar Siting?
- In what situation would a cell tower be ok?
- How to enforce?
- PSB & ACT 250?
- Defined by property or criteria?
- Discussion of where a tower could be allowed and criteria which is currently in town plan telecommunications section.

Action Items:

- Upland Overlay District
- Permitted and conditional uses?
- Water Quality Mitigation
- Impervious Surfaces

Jan moved to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2016 meeting, Ronnie seconded. Motion passed unanimously 5-0-0.

Meeting ended 8:58 PM.