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Town of Richmond Select Board  
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RE: Town Center Committee

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To Whom It May Concern,

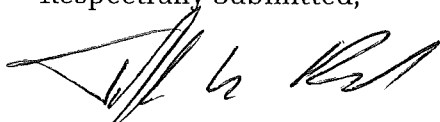
I would like to apply for the Town Center Committee that I understand the Select Board is forming. There are many reasons why I feel I would be a good fit for this committee. They include:

- I have been on several Town Center Committees in the past including the original committee that was formed when the Richmond Elementary School moved to their new building in 1987.
- In the 1980's I was a general contractor and built a dozen homes.
- I have been a renewable energy and energy efficiency consultant for the past 20+ years.
- I am the Facilities Coordinator for the Chittenden East School District, which means I currently work in the Town Center Building, I am the tenant liaison between the School District and the Town and I have experience managing facilities for the district which includes 500,000 square feet of space in 9 buildings.
- I am retiring from the School District this June and should have more time to contribute to this type of community service.
- Finally, I know these buildings inside and out. As Town Energy Coordinator I have benchmarked their energy use and been involved with several energy upgrades. Over the years I have crawled around just about every corner of both the Library and Town Center Building for one reason or another.

I could go on, but the main reason I think I am a good candidate is because I love these buildings. They are physically the center of the Town and I feel help pull the village together. They are well used now and help anchor our village commercial district. The last major renovation on these buildings was over 25 years ago. It is time to relook at these buildings, how they are used and bring them into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

In short, I would be happy to serve our community on this committee. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jeff Forward