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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in regards to the open committee member position on the Richmond Recreation Committee. I have lived in Richmond for just under three years and would say that the recreation opportunities are one of the main highlights of living in this community. I am very much interested in being a part of revitalization of the committee as well as furthering the growth of recreation opportunities in this wonderful town.

Recreation has always played an integral part in my life. I grew up in Rochester, Vermont skiing (alpine, Nordic, & backcountry), mountain and road biking, canoeing, camping, hiking, running, and just being outside as much as possible. I was so inspired by the activities of my youth that I chose to study recreation in college; receiving a B.S. in Recreation, Adventure Travel, and Ecotourism. After college I worked at the same institution as a recreation coordinator planning all recreation pursuits for the students including managing the fitness center and pool, leading eco-adventure trips to Scotland and Hawaii, and organizing on campus recreation ranging from canoe trips to dodgeball leagues.

Since returning to Vermont in 2016 I have worked for Essex Junction Recreation and Parks as Recreation Program Director. In this position I plan all major events in the community (July 4 Celebration, Essex Junction Block Party, Train Hop, etc.), lead the annual eighth grade trip to Washington D.C., coordinate recreation programs and classes, and oversee all pool operations. I have also completed a M.S. in Recreation Management from Indiana University.

I am also a Wilderness First Responder, American Red Cross Lifeguard Instructor; certified to teach both CPR and lifeguarding, and a Certified Parks and Recreation Executive, the highest level of certification through the National Recreation and Parks Association.

I would very much like the opportunity to use my skills to serve the community that I live in. With a wide range of experiences as a leader in the recreation field I feel I am uniquely situated to be of value to enhancing recreation in Richmond.

With so much uncertainty in the world right now, I do not expect that the process for selecting committee members and meetings will be quite as previously planned. I would be happy to provide any additional information you may require regarding my experiences and I look forward to hearing from you when time allows.

Yours in Recreation,

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