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4. Phone Number *

515-708-3932

5. Name of Commission/Board/Committee *

Trails Committee

6. How many YEARS have you served on this Committee? *

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7. If you serve on another Commission/Board/Committee, please indicate which one(s)

None

8. Review the scheduled meeting day/time of the Commission, Board, or Committee along with the length of the term of the position (<https://www.richmondvt.gov/boards-meetings/all-committee-board-members>). WILL YOU BE ABLE TO SERVE FOR THE TERM OF THE POSITION? *

☒ Yes

☐ No

9. Are you a RICHMOND RESIDENT? *

☒ Yes

☐ No

10. If you are applying for a new Term, then please introduce yourself to the Selectboard by providing a short cover letter detailing your background, training, and experience with the board/commission/committee you are applying for and/or resume.

I have lived in Richmond for 6 years (and Jericho for the previous 5 years). My partner and I have two children at RES, and we are all active users of the mountain bike trails. I also regularly walk my dog on various Richmond trails. In recent years, I have noticed the destructive impact of flooding on the river trails in Richmond, including the Old Jericho Road path in my neighborhood (Southview), and I am interested in helping to build a more sustainable future for the trail systems we have in Richmond. I'm a Professor of Exercise Science at Norwich University and have some professional experience in research/teaching related to the extensive health benefits of exercise/recreation in the outdoors, plus experience with grant writing that may be useful if there are opportunities to apply funding to support the trails infrastructure. Though I have not had prior experience working with any town committees or boards, I do have experience volunteering on committees for organizations aligned with my profession and experience in positions of leadership that will help me integrate quickly. I am excited by the opportunity to use my time and expertise to give back to my community in this way.