

#### TOWN OF RICHMOND VERMONT

# Application Form for Town Commissions, Boards and Committees

Please submit your application to: Volunteer Search, P.O. Box 285, Richmond, VT 05477, by email to dwardwell@richmondvt.gov or by placing it in the drop box outside the Town Office by April 13, 2022. Water & Sewer Commission applications are due June 1, 2022. Development Review Board (DRB) applications are due by May 11, 2022.

## Please supply the following information:

- 1) Review the scheduled meeting day/time of the Commission, Board, or Committee along with the length of the term of the position. Will you be able to regularly make the meetings? Yes. Will you be able to serve for the term of the position? Yes
- 2) 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.

Name of Applicant: Chuck Gilroy Date: 7/27/2022

Phone Number: 802.598.3581 Email Address: Chuck.gilroy@gmail.com

Name of Commission/ Board/ Committee: Parking Advisory Committee

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

N/A

Richmond Resident: Yes

For hard copies or accessibility accommodations please contact: Duncan Wardwell at 802-336-2092 or <a href="mailto:dwardwell@richmondvt.gov">dwardwell@richmondvt.gov</a>

### Chuck Gilroy 744 Dugway Road Jonesville, VT 05466 802.598.3581

#### Dear Selectboard:

Thank you for the opportunity to tell you about myself with the goal of joining the Parking Advisory Committee.

I have been a resident of Dugway road for over 35 years. My wife and I have raised our children here and have found Dugway a great place to live. Now our son is looking to move to Dugway road as well.

Over the past 35 years we have seen the road grow from being a shortcut to Huntington where locals some adventurous visitor enjoy a cool dip in the Huntington river to a suburb to the city and a destination for Chittenden county swimmers on hot days. When the RLT was looking to purchase the "Lower Gorge" from the Brown family, I was on the board of the Huntington River Corporation which was a holding company for the RLT until funding could be secured.

I was the treasurer of the HRC but feel my more important role was working with the RLT and the Dugway road community. We held several meetings in our kitchen to find how best to utilize the lower gorge property. I think the lower gorge property has been a positive addition to Richmond.

The popularity of cooling off in the Huntington river has grown geometrically over the past ten years. On hot summer days the road can have over 150 cars parked along the road side. This number goes up if the beaches in Burlington are closed.

We need to find a way to accommodate these visitors while keeping them and the residents safe. Our goal should be that rescue vehicles, firetrucks and even residents can safely navigate through Dugway road. My concern is that a minor fire or health emergency will become a bigger issue due to the inability of vehicles to reach their goal. I feel that we can reach this goal by educating visitors as where to park and having standardized parking rules and signage.

Dugway road is a great place to live from September to June. I hope by working with the PAC, we can improve this to include the summer months.

I understand that the PAC is dealing with more than Dugway Road. I have seen the innovative solutions on Cochran road and near the Jonny Brook road. Having attended several Zoom PAC meetings, I feel I am getting up to speed on these solutions as well. I am recently retired and have extra time to be an active member of the PAC.

I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and introduce myself.

Thank you

Chuck Gilroy