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Planning - Zoning - Economic Development - Conservation

## **MERRIMACK PLANNING BOARD VIRTUAL MEETING APPROVED MINUTES JULY 21, 2020**

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, the Planning Board is authorized to meet electronically.

As stated on the agenda, the meeting was aired live on Merrimack TV and the Merrimack TV Facebook Live page (<http://www.facebook.com/merrimacktv>). Telephone access was available for members of the public wishing to speak during the Public Hearing or provide public comment. Also identified on the agenda was the opportunity for general public comment to be submitted leading up to the start of the meeting via email to [CommDev@MerrimackNH.Gov](mailto:CommDev@MerrimackNH.Gov).

Members of the Board and Town Staff were participating via Zoom. In accordance with RSA 91-A:2 III, each member of the Board was asked to state, for the record, where they were, and who, if anyone, was with them.

### **1. Call to Order:**

Chair Robert Best called the virtual meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. He then read the procedures and processes for the virtual meeting.

#### Roll Call:

- Robert Best (Chair) stated he was participating electronically from his office in Concord and alone in the room he was in.
- Alastair Millns (Vice Chairman) stated he was participating electronically from home in Merrimack and alone in the room he was in.
- Paul McLaughlin stated he was participating electronically from home in Merrimack and alone in the room he was in.
- Lynn Christensen stated she was participating electronically from home in Merrimack and alone in the room she was in.
- Councilor Bill Boyd (Ex-Officio) arrived at 7:34 PM, participating from his home in Merrimack and alone in the room he was in.

#### Members Absent:

- Neil Anketell
- Alternate Nelson Disco

Staff Present: Tim Thompson, Community Development Director (participating remotely from his home in Concord)

### **2. Planning & Zoning Administrator's Report**

**The Board voted 4-0-0 by roll call vote to determine that the Raymond Subdivision, Ross Site Plan, and Governors Hill Corp Lot Line Adjustment are not of regional impact, on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Lynn Christensen.**

**3. Annual Meeting – Election of Officers & Review of Rules of Procedure**

**The Board voted 4-0-0 by roll call vote to appoint Robert Best as Chair and Alastair Millns as Vice-Chair, on a motion made by Lynn Christensen and seconded by Paul McLaughlin.**

- 4. Granger Revocable Trust (applicant/owner) -** Continued review for acceptance and consideration of final approval for a two lot subdivision. The parcel is located at 225 Naticook Road in the R-4 (Residential, by soils) District, Aquifer Conservation, and Wellhead Protection Areas. Tax Map 2B, Lot 034. Case # PB2020-11. **This item is continued from the June 16, 2020 Planning Board meeting.**

**At the applicant's request, the Board voted 4-0-0 by roll call vote to continue both the application's acceptance and public hearing to August 18, 2020, on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Lynn Christensen.**

- 5. John Andrick (applicant/owner) -** Review of a Home Occupation to permit a firearms sales and repair business. The parcel is located at 62 Belmont Drive in the R-4 (Residential, by soils) District. Tax Map 6D, Lot 278. Case # PB2020-12.

Tim Thompson summarized the project explaining that an administrative approval was granted in 2017 for Mr. Andrick to conduct a gun sales and repair business from his home with no customers visiting the site. Mr. Andrick is now looking to expand his business and have customers come directly to his home, which requires approval by the Board in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance.

Chairman Best advised the Board that several public comments regarding this project were received and that he would read them once the project was presented. He also reminded anyone watching the meeting that they will have an opportunity to comment on the project during the Public Comments portion of the meeting. Tim Thompson added that Planning and Zoning Administrator Robert Price, also spoke to the Merrimack Police Department regarding Mr. Andrick's request and they had no concerns.

John Andrick (applicant/owner) presented the project by explaining that is looking to expand his existing business to allow customers to visit his home. He added that he currently has a Federal license that allows him to sell firearms and will be applying for a manufacturing license as well at the suggestion of his Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) representative. Once received, the manufacturing license will allow him to customize firearms for his customers. At the Board's request, Mr. Andrick explained the process involved for obtaining his firearms dealer license (which he has had for just over two years), how his current business operates without customer contact, the storage of the firearms and confirmed that the only employees will be himself and his son, who also lives at the residence.

*Councilor Bill Boyd (Ex-Officio) virtually joined the meeting at 7:34 PM.*

Mr. Andrick also commented that the firearms business is only part time and confirmed his hours of operation are 6-8 PM Monday through Sunday. Tim Thompson advised the Board that

the new Zoning Regulations that are being drafted will require all firearms related matters to be handled through the Planning Board so, any changes going forward would need Planning Board approval. Mr. Andrick confirmed his understanding and added that he would also need to change his hours with the ATF if it became necessary but for now he is keeping them as listed on his application. He then verified that he is using less than 25% of the inhabitable floor area, he is not using any outside storage, he has no plans on displaying any signs, he has a security system installed that includes four video cameras that are fixated on all sides of the house and show all of the entrances. Chairman Best also asked about the storage of chemicals and the sale of ammunition and Mr. Andrick responded that he does not use chemicals and does not sell ammunition. He also confirmed that firearms will not be calibrated (i.e. tested) on the premises.

Chairman Best opened the hearing for public comment.

Public comment was received from: Michael and Jennifer LeBlanc, 64 Belmont Dr. (via e-mail); James and Beverly Zissulis, 61 Belmont Dr. (via e-mail); Ronald Smith, 60 Belmont Dr. (via e-mail); and Irene Donnelly, 15 Matthew Dr. (via e-mail and phone). Chairman Best read the public comments that were received prior to the meeting into the record (see attachments) and opened the phone lines for additional comments.

Irene Donnelly (15 Matthew Drive) asked if the applicant's firearm sales and service is restricted to hand guns only. Chairman Best directed the question to Mr. Andrick who responded that his license covers all firearms that are legal to own in the state of NH.

**The Board voted 4-1-0, by roll call vote, to grant conditional final approval of the Home Occupation subject to the following precedent conditions to be fulfilled within 6 months and prior to signing of the plan, unless otherwise specified, on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Bill Boyd. Paul McLaughlin voted in opposition.**

1. The applicant shall provide verification to the Community Development Department that the home occupation is covered under either the homeowner's or other applicable insurance;
2. The applicant shall obtain, if applicable, final local approvals from the Police Department and any State or Federal licenses required for the operation of the home occupation and provide copies of such to the Community Development Department;
3. The applicant shall provide documentation/proof that the home occupation will utilize an appropriate security/alarm system. Such system shall be approved by the Merrimack Police Department before use and a copy of such approval shall also be provided to the Community Development Department;
4. The applicant shall provide documentation/proof that the home occupation will utilize gun safes for the storage of firearms related to the home occupation's operations.

**The following general and subsequent conditions are also placed on the approval:**

1. No more than 8 customers per week are permitted to visit the site;
2. No ammunition related to the home occupation shall be permitted on the premises;
3. The applicant shall store any flammable materials in an appropriate "flammables cabinet";

4. The applicant shall dispose of wastes associated with the home occupation in accordance with State/Federal requirements. No discharge of hazardous liquids/chemicals shall be permitted into the Town's sewer system;
5. The residence shall be easily identifiable with appropriate numbering.

***Because the representative for both items 6 and 9 were the same, the Board took up item #9 out of order.***

9. **Governors Hill Corp. (applicant) and Richard & Marilyn Brown & Governors Hill Corp (owners)** - Review for acceptance and consideration of final approval for a lot line adjustment. The parcels are located at 31 & 33 Constance Street in the R-1 (Residential, by soils) District. Tax Map 6D, Lots 137 and 136. Case # PB2020-15.

Tim Thompson summarized the project by explaining that the applicants are seeking a minor lot line adjustment to address an encroachment that has been identified. The lots are both non-conforming so the modification triggered the need for a variance, which was granted by the Zoning Board in June. The proposal will result in no change in lot size for either parcel.

Matt Peterson, (Keach-Nordstrom Associates, Inc.) presented the project on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Peterson gave a brief history on how the encroachment was identified and the conclusion that a lot line adjustment was the best course of action for the home owners. The adjustment being requested is an equal swap of 700 square feet and will result in no change in size to either lot.

**The Board voted 5-0-0 by roll call vote to accept the application for review, on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Bill Boyd.**

Chairman Best opened the hearing for public comment.

There was no public comment.

**The Board voted 5-0-0 by roll call vote to grant conditional final approval, subject to the following precedent conditions to be fulfilled within 6 months and prior to signing of the plan, unless otherwise specified, on a motion made Alastair Millns and seconded by Bill Boyd.**

1. Final plans and mylars to be signed by all property owners. The appropriate professional endorsements and signatures shall also be added to the final plans and mylars.
2. The applicant shall obtain any required State approvals/permits applicable to the project and provide copies to the Community Development Department, as applicable.
3. The applicant shall note any waivers granted by the Board on the final plans and mylars (including Section, and date granted) as applicable.
4. The applicant shall provide draft copies of any applicable legal documents for review, if applicable and at the applicant's expense, by the Town's Legal Counsel.

5. The applicant shall address the following comments from the Public Works Department as applicable:
  - a. The driveway location should be shown on plan for lot 136.
  - b. The sight distance shall be verified for the driveway entrance by the engineer. A policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets (AASHTO) shall be used.
  - c. Please add a note to indicate that prior to any work on the site a right of way permit from the Highway Division of Public Works will be required. Any driveway changes shall be reviewed and approved by Community Development and the Public Works Administration prior to construction.
  - d. The driveway entrance shall conform to Section 4.13.1 under the Roadway and Utility Standards and shall be noted on the plans.
  - e. Section 4.18 (a) monuments shall be set at all street intersections, points of curves and angle points on Constance Street.
6. The applicant shall address any forthcoming comments from other municipal departments & boards/commissions, as applicable.
7. The applicant shall address the following Planning Staff Technical Comments.
  - a. Revise Note 9 to state that both lots are in the R-1 District (by soils) and correct the dimensional requirements in the note to only reflect the R-1 requirements, and add notes referencing the variances received for area, depth and frontage requirements granted by the ZBA on June 24, 2020.
  - b. Clarify Note 8 to clearly state that both lots will have the same lot area pre- and post-lot line adjustment.
  - c. Please provide all required monuments for all lot corners and points of curvature as required by the regulations.
  - d. The applicant shall revise the Planning Board signature block to have lines for “Chair” and “Vice Chair” as per the Board’s current structure (the position of Secretary was renamed Vice Chair in June 2017).

**The following general and subsequent conditions are also placed on the approval:**

1. The applicant is responsible for recording the plan (including recording fee and the \$25.00 LCHIP fee, check made payable to the Hillsborough County Treasurer) at the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds. The applicant is also responsible for providing proof of said recording(s) to the Community Development Department.
2. The applicant shall obtain right-of-way permits from the Public Works Department for all new driveways.
3. The applicant shall address the any forthcoming comments from the Fire Department, as related to property addressing and fire code compliance, as applicable.

6. **Linda Raymond (applicant/owner)** - Review for acceptance and consideration of final approval for a two lot subdivision. The parcel is located at 107 Turkey Hill Road in the R-1 (Residential, by soils), and Aquifer Conservation Districts. Tax Map 4C, Lot 229. Case # PB2020-13.

Tim Thompson provided the Board with a brief history of the project which includes a variance for frontage that was granted by the Zoning Board in January 2020.

Matt Peterson, (Keach-Nordstrom Associates, Inc.) provided an overview of the project by providing the location and dimensions of the lot and expanding on the frontage variance that was already mentioned by specifying the relief that was granted (59.33 feet). Mr. Petersen then gave the breakdown of each lot size and walked the Board through the plans and some photos that show the proposed layout of a new common driveway, clarifying that the existing driveway was shown on the plans that were provided to staff but that was an oversight as that driveway is being removed.

**The Board voted 5-0-0 by roll call vote to accept the application for review, on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Bill Boyd.**

The Board asked some questions regarding the wetlands that are depicted on the plan and Mr. Peterson responded by explaining that the site was reviewed by a soil scientist and that a culvert will be added if needed. Tim Thompson addressed a question from Councilor Boyd regarding the ability to further subdivide the larger lot (8.661 acres) by explaining that the lot could only be further subdivided with variance relief from the Zoning Board for frontage and restated that this subdivision (if approved) already has very minimal frontage.

Chairman Best opened the hearing for public comment.

Debra Uttero, (5 Acacia St.) spoke against the project because the shared driveway is uncharacteristic for the neighborhood and the proposed location for a house on the lot is in the back of the property where run off from the surrounding properties and culverts collects.

Robert Uttero (5 Acacia St.) stated that the land is being marketed with the ability to build a house near the marsh area with access through an easement on town owned land on Sarah drive and wants to know if this is actually possible. Mr. Uttero also asked if test pits have been done on the land.

Chairman Best commented on the easement question by stating that an easement over town land would be a multi-step process involving both the Town Council and the Zoning Board and would not be easy to achieve. Tim Thompson agreed with Chairman's Best's remarks and added that the Planning Board has no jurisdiction on where the house is placed on the lot as long as setbacks are being adhered to. Matt Peterson referred to the subdivision plan to point out the two test pit locations (one on each lot) and to show the direction of the drainage on Mr. and Mrs. Uttero's property. He commented on the long driveway by stating it is consistent with driveways they have been doing in Merrimack and in other towns over the last several years. Tim Thompson added that the character of the neighborhood is part of the Zoning Board approval process and they have already granted the variance. Additional discussions took place about the complexity of someone potentially achieving access in the future through an easement on Sarah drive due to wetlands on the property.

**A motion to deny the application failed 2-3-0 by roll call vote, on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Paul McLaughlin. Robert Best, Lynn Christensen, and Bill Boyd voted in opposition.**

**The Board voted 3-2-0 by roll call vote to grant conditional Final Approval, subject to the following precedent conditions to be fulfilled within 6 months and prior to signing of the plan, unless otherwise specified on a motion made by Lynn Christensen and seconded by Bill Boyd. Alastair Millns and Paul McLaughlin voted in opposition.**

1. Final plans and mylars to be signed by all property owners. The appropriate professional endorsements and signatures shall also be added to the final plans and mylars.
2. The applicant shall obtain all required State approvals/permits applicable to the project and provide copies to the Community Development Department, as applicable;
3. The applicant shall note any waivers granted by the Board on the final plans and mylars (including Section, and date granted) as applicable;
4. The applicant shall provide draft copies of any applicable legal documents for review, at the applicant's expense, by the Town's Legal Counsel;
5. The applicant shall obtain a written statement from Merrimack Village District attesting to the availability of public water service for Map 4C Lot 229-1 and provide a copy to the Community Development Department;
6. The applicant shall address any forthcoming comments from the Assessing Department as applicable;
7. The applicant shall address any forthcoming comments from the Public Works Department as applicable;
8. The applicant shall address the following Planning Staff Technical Comments:
  - a. Note #13 on sheet 1 states "the existing driveway curb cut shall be utilized as a common driveway"; however, sheet 2 illustrates a proposed 16' wide common driveway alongside an existing gravel driveway for the existing house on lot 4C-229. Will the existing gravel driveway be abandoned/removed after the construction of the proposed common driveway? Please revise note #13 to reflect this information.
  - b. At its January 2020 meeting, the Zoning Board granted the applicant a variance to permit this two-lot subdivision with one lot having 59.33 feet of frontage whereas 250 feet is required. Please note this variance on the plans. (Staff notes that the frontage for this lot appears to be 59.71 feet rather than the 59.33 feet granted by the ZBA, which is compliant with the variance, since it is not less than what the ZBA allowed);
  - c. There is an existing shed that straddles the property line between Map 4C, Lot 230 and proposed lot 229-1. The applicant shall note on the plan whether the shed will be relocated, removed, or an easement provided to allow it to remain in place;

- d. The existing garage on Lot 229 encroaches into both the 40 foot wetland setback and 25-foot no disturb buffer. Community Development has no records of any variances having been issued for this structure. Applicant shall provide the building permit to Community Development confirming the date of construction and subsequently seek an Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirement or variances, if either is determined to be applicable.

**The following general and subsequent conditions are also placed on the approval:**

1. The applicant is responsible for recording the plan (including recording fee and the \$25.00 LCHIP fee, check made payable to the Hillsborough County Treasurer) at the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds. The applicant is also responsible for providing proof of said recording(s) to the Community Development Department;
  2. The applicant shall obtain right-of-way permits from the Public Works Department for all new driveways;
  3. The applicant shall address the any forthcoming comments from the Fire Department, as related to property addressing and fire code compliance, as applicable.
- 7. Synergy Storage Structures, LLC (petitioner/owner)** - Review for consideration of an amendment to a previous conditionally approved Site Plan regarding access and parking. The parcel is located at 403 Daniel Webster Highway in the I-1 (Industrial), Aquifer Conservation and Elderly Housing Overlay Districts. A portion of the parcel is subject to the Flood Hazard Conservation District.

Tim Thomson briefed the Board on this project by advising everyone that the request is for relief from three conditions of approval that were specified during the approval process for the property in question. He read through the three items the applicant wants to amend along with the recommendations from DPW. DPW does not support the waiver requested from the former Section 4.13.1 (Driveways), but did not oppose the deletion of the other 2 conditions. . He also added that if all three of the amendments are not granted, the applicant will need an extension of his approval to allow additional time to complete the work.

Christopher Ross, (applicant & owner) and Joel Sikkila, (Synergy Self Storage) were present to discuss the project. Mr. Ross and Mr. Sikkila voiced their concerns about the curbing condition (the waiver necessary from the former Section 4.13.1) and stated that they believe it to be unfair and they are concerned that adding curbing will cause additional drainage issues on their property. Councilor Boyd asked if a peer review was done on this property and if so, what the result was. Tim Thompson confirmed that a peer review was never done on this property which led to Councilor Boyd suggesting that one be done now. Mr. Ross interjected that he is not in favor of a peer review because it will cost him additional money and he believes it is not necessary. Tim Thompson added that the curbing that is being requested was part of the site plan regulations at the time the building was constructed. Tim Thompson and Chairman Best agreed that a peer review will not help in this situation because they will most likely base their recommendations on the regulations, which requires the curbing. After further discussion, the Board decided that they would like further clarification from Public Works on why they feel the curbing is needed. Tim Thompson reminded the Board that if they decide to act on two of the three amendments, the third one will require re-notification to abutters. The only way to avoid notifying abutters is to continue the decision on all three to a future meeting.



Chairman Best opened the hearing for public comment.

There was no public comment.

**The Board voted 5-0-0 by roll call vote to continue the public hearing to August 18, 2020, on a motion made by Bill Boyd and seconded by Alastair Millns.**

**The Board voted 5-0-0 by roll call vote to grant a 6 month extension to the original site plan approval, on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Bill Boyd**

8. **Christopher Ross, LLC (petitioner/owner)** - Review for acceptance and consideration of a Waiver of Full Site Plan Review for the conversion of current retail space into 12 multi-family residential units including building additions totaling approximately 848 square feet. The parcel is located at 401 Daniel Webster Highway in the C-1 (Limited Commercial), Aquifer Conservation and Elderly Housing Overlay Districts. Tax Map 4D-3, Lot 083. Case # PB2020-14.

Tim Thompson provided an overview on the project which is to convert an existing Commercial building into 12 residential units. He explained that a Special Exception to allow Residential use in the Commercial zone and 2 variances were already granted by the Zoning Board. The applicant is seeking a waiver of full site plan for this project and both Staff and Public Works are not in favor of granting this approval for reasons outlined within the staff memo.

Christopher Ross, (applicant & owner) and Joel Sikkila, (Synergy Self Storage) spoke about the history of the parcel and how they came up with the idea of converting the building to residential units to offer short term leasing options to families that are in transition between homes. They both expressed concerns about the staff memo stating that they feel 90% of what is being requested does not apply to their project because they are only changing the interior of the building. They also cited traffic and parking as a non-issue because there were hundreds of cars coming and going from that location when it was used commercially and with the conversion to residential that will be eliminated.

Following discussion with the applicants and with Mr. Thompson, the Board ultimately agreed that not everything that is required on a full site plan may be needed but the plan that was presented did not give enough detail for them to base any approvals on, and a waiver of full site plan would not be appropriate for this application.

*Lynn Christensen left the virtual meeting at 9:15 p.m.*

Chairman Best allowed for public comment, even though not required because the public hearing had not yet been opened.

Laura Benson (585 DW Highway) spoke in favor of the applicant and the project stating that she is in need of transition housing and would like to see the project completed.

**The Board voted 4-0-0 by roll call vote to continue both the application acceptance and public hearing to August 18, 2020, on a motion made by Bill Boyd and seconded by Alastair Millns.**

**10. Discussion/possible action regarding other items of concern.**

- Demers Subdivision/Lot Line Adjustment extension request.

**The Board voted 4-0-0 by roll call vote to grant a 6 month extension to the Demers Subdivision/Lot Line Adjustment project, on a motion made by Bill Boyd and seconded by Alastair Millns.**

- Meeting frequency and forum.

Tim Thompson asked the Board to make guidance on how they would like to proceed forward with future meetings, and if they want to go back to two meetings per month. Chairman Best stated that he did not think in person meetings are feasible at this time with social distancing guidelines and left the frequency on the meetings to Staff to decide based on workflow. Councilor Boyd also asked Mr. Thompson if he has plans to continue the discussions on the updates to the zoning regulations. Tim Thompson stated that he comfortable proceeding forward with the presentation and a public hearing in the virtual environment if the Board is. The Board agreed that he can present the changes virtually so Staff will look to add it to a future meeting (tentatively September).

#### **11. Approval of Minutes — June 16, 2020.**

**The Board voted 4-0-0 by roll call vote to approve the minutes of June 16, 2020, as submitted, on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Robert Best.**

#### **12. Adjourn**

**The Board voted 4-0-0 by roll call vote to adjourn at 10:21 p.m., on a motion made by Alastair Millns and seconded by Paul McLaughlin.**

**Attachments: Public Comments received prior to the Meeting for Case #PB2020-12**

**July 14, 2020**

**Town of Merrimack, New Hampshire  
Community Development Department  
6 Baboosic Lake Road  
Merrimack, NH 03054**

**RE: John Andrick**

**We are the neighbors of Mr. John Andrick who resides at 62 Belmont Drive. We understand that Mr. Andrick has applied to expand his firearms and sales business to allow customers to come to his home. After receiving notice, via certified letter, we have several concerns.**

- Belmont Dr is a very residential neighborhood that is well travelled already. We feel bringing customers into his home will now bring more traffic, noise and possibly the wrong crowd to our family neighborhood.**
- Mr. Andrick has a very loud and busy residence with constant construction and the repair of vehicles including loud race cars. Sometimes late into the night and early morning hours, waking our family on a regular basis.**
- We also have also witnessed irresponsibility at his home seeing a flamethrower being used late in the evening lighting up our entire yard.**
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**Mr. Andrick does not seem to have any regard for his neighbors.**

**We already don't feel safe with the house directly across the street from us due to constant police activity and watching arrests on a regular basis. We believe that adding this type of business in the area is not in the best interest of the neighborhood.**

**We moved to the neighborhood two years ago and were not informed of this business. We understand everyone has the right to have a business out of their home and have an income. However, the nature of his business is unsettling. We are a family with 3 small children who do play outside. If we had known this business was here, we would have not purchased this home.**

**No family envisions raising their children next to a firearms business or even sending their child to a daycare next to one for that matter.**

**This type business, in our opinion, is best run in a rented space within a commercial area instead of Mr. Andrick allowing random individuals to his home and to our neighborhood.**

**In conclusion, we understand he has an established business that we are not in favor of him having and with the addition of customers frequenting his home we are opposed to it.**

**Michael and Jennifer LeBlanc  
Residents residing at:  
64 Belmont Drive  
Merrimack, NH**

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**From:** Irene Donnelly [mailto:[renejdonnelly@gmail.com](mailto:renejdonnelly@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 20, 2020 10:38 AM  
**To:** CommDev  
**Subject:** Case #PB2020-12

I am very strongly opposed to have John Andricks' permit to sell and repair FIRE ARMS on the premises. This location is not a commercial business area and is densely populated. I am very concerned about buyers entering and leaving with firearms. Further, I, my daughter and a neighbor heard a single gunshot recently. There are several children in the area and I'm sure there are at least some children exploring the woods. There is a very wide spread area of trees behind the property as well.

In closing, this could set a prescient for other businesses to establish businesses in a residential area.

Irene Donnelly  
I live at 15 Mathew Dr.

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**From:** Bev Zissulis <[bev3jean@aol.com](mailto:bev3jean@aol.com)>  
**To:** CommDev@MerrimackNH.gov <[CommDev@MerrimackNH.gov](mailto:CommDev@MerrimackNH.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tue, Jul 14, 2020 10:43 am  
**Subject:** Virtual Public Hearing on July 21, 2020 (Meeting ID: 949 4626 0236)

My name is James Zissulis and I have lived at 61 Belmont Drive, Merrimack with my wife Beverly Zissulis for over 30 years.

We are contacting the Planning Board concerning a public hearing on Tuesday July 21, 2020 in regard to Mr. John Andrik's application review of a Home Occupation to permit a firearms sales and repair business to a parcel located at 62 Belmont Drive in the R-4 (Residential, by soils) District. Tax Map 6D, Lot 278 Case # PB2020-12.

We have known John Andrick since shortly after he moved into his home at 62 Belmont Drive and we are pleased to have him as a nice, friendly neighbor and wish him the best of luck with his new plans and permit request.

Thank you,  
James and Beverly Zissulis  
61 Belmont Drive  
Merrimack, NH

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**From:** cmsmailer@civicplus.com [mailto:cmsmailer@civicplus.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2020 11:54 AM  
**To:** Robert Price  
**Subject:** Planning Board

**Hello regarding the application for John Andrick permit firearms sales and repairs at 62 Belmont Dr. case #PB2020-12**

**John is a great neighbor takes very good care of his property, very friendly and helpful. I Ronald and Lucy smith of 60 Belmont Dr. have no concerns of John using his property for firearms sales and repairs.**

**Thank you Ronald Smith**  
**Name:** Ronald Smith  
**Email Address:** missin3dalesr@aol.com  
**Address:** 60 Belmont Dr.  
**City:** Merrimack  
**State:** New Hampshire  
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