

1 **Town of Richmond**
2 **Selectboard Meeting**
3 **Minutes of September 3, 2024**
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5 **Members Present:** Bard Hill, Adam Wood, Bard Hill, David Sander, Jay Furr, Lisa
6 Miller

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8 **Absent:** None

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10 **Staff Present:** Josh Arneson, Town Manager; Duncan Wardwell, Assistant to the Town
11 Manager; Linda Parent, Town Clerk; Linn Caroleo, Administrative Assistant; Tyler
12 Machia, Zoning Administrator; Keith Osborne, Town Planner.
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14 **Others Present:** Meeting was recorded by MMCTV, Erin Wagg, June Heston, Pam, Erin
15 Farr, Cindy.Chornyak, Jay Furr, Polly's iPad, Bill Supple, Matt Poquette, Connie van
16 Eeghen, Jake Ide, Silas Smith, Robin Pesci, Mark Hubbard, Geoff Simson, Roger
17 Pedersen, Bryonne Johnson, Fran Thomas, Minta, Kari Hoose, Pete O'Neil, Jim Garner,
18 Julian Portilla, mjdenis, pkaleita, Robin Pesci, Brittani Barone, Eric Berliner, C Bentley,
19 Shannon Walters, Navah Spero, Polly's iPad, John Ridgely, Angelike Contis, Brittani
20 Barone, Jon Turner, Noa Y, Jacob Aftreth, Jon Turner, Laura Howland, Jon Turner.
21 Bernie Pientka, Danielle Altenburg, Ernie Kelley, Andrea Asch, Virginia Clarke, Thomas
22 Senning, Jannifer Arnott, Matt Leometti, Kevin and MaryAnn Kittinger, Denise Barnard,
23 Kendra Ziskie, Jase Roberts, Ken Yeates, Andrew Korich, Reid Webster, Danielle
24 Beaudoin, Dorian Evans, Sarah Heim, Charlotte Phillips, Nancy Carlson, Roger Knakal,
25 Emmet Manning, Deborah Knakal, Stephen Eichenberger, Mary Houle, Rory Evans
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27 **MMCTV Video:** <https://youtu.be/HkUrNJRPT0?si=2n1EVzKSqu50pH3q>
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29 **Call to Order:** 7:00 pm

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31 **Welcome by:** Sander

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33 **Public Comment:**

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35 Farr asked that the traffic study for the THCB intersection four-way stop be redone
36 during a Normal School week.
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39 **Additions or Deletions to Agenda:** None

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41 **Items for Presentation or Discussion with those present**
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44 **Discussion of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE)**

45 Timestamp: 0:01

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47 https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3a_Vermont
48 [Department of Heath Guidance on Eastern Equine Encephalitis.pdf](#)
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50 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Hill

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52 Arneson spoke about recent discoveries of Eastern Equine Encephalitis in Chittenden
53 County. In August of 2024, a human case of triple was detected in county, which is the
54 1st human case in Vermont since 2012. Hill added that there are websites that provide
55 long-term morbidity and mortality rates.

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58 **Discussion of request by the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department to utilize**
59 **Volunteers Green for salmon releases into the Winooski River**

60 Timestamp: 0:05

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63 [salmon_release.pdf](https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3b_email_on_salmon_release.pdf)

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65 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Pientka

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67 Vermont Fish and Wildlife biologist Bernie Pientka, from the Essex Junction office,
68 works on a trap and truck program to catch salmon who travel up the Winooski River and
69 get caught in a trap, to then be trucked upriver further. The previous release point he was
70 using is closed due to flooding sediments. He is inquiring if salmon can be released into
71 the river from the park this fall.

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73 *Furr moved to allow Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department to utilize Volunteers Green*
74 *for salmon releases into the Winooski River. Wood seconded.*

75 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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78 **Discussion of Richmond Recreational Soccer management and consideration of**
79 **transferring soccer funds held by the Town to Mansfield United**

80 Timestamp: 0:09

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85 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Altenburg, Manning, Furr,
86 Parent, Hill

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88 Arneson explained the funds for Richmond recreational soccer have always been
89 managed through the Town. They're in a separate reserve fund. We receive requests from
90 the organization for expenses. The Town pays those expenses through that account.

91 Altenburg stated that she has two kids in the soccer program and has put together the
92 proposal with some of the other parents. Manning said for the past five years his soccer
93 club has been collecting monies and sending a check to the Town to help run the
94 Richmond soccer program. The goal is to have as many kids as possible to play. Hill
95 suggested putting the money in a separate account.

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98 *Hill moved to transfer \$17,343 held by the Town of Richmond into a fund for dedicated*
99 *soccer expenses and Volunteer Green or club expenses associated with playing soccer.*
100 *Furr seconded.*
101 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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104 **Update on flood recovery and flood related discussions**

105 Timestamp: 0:34

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People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson,

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109 Arneson described that the big news that happened since the last meeting is FEMA finally
110 made a disaster declaration for several counties in Vermont county, Chittenden being one
111 of those. That includes public assistance and individual assistance. The public assistance
112 is for the municipality, paying back for expenses related to municipal repairs of roads,
113 water, and the like. We're proceeding with that. Individual assistance is for private
114 business, private homeowners, private property owners who are seeking additional
115 funding. We put some information on the website about that. There's also a number 1-
116 800-621-3362 for individuals to call.

117 Emergency Watershed Program will be making site visits in Richmond Sept. 10 – 11,
118 there are approximately 30 sites in Richmond that are signed up. The Town has applied
119 for Hazard Mitigation funds regarding road repairs and flood mitigation. Presently there
120 are 21 homes interested in elevation or buyout programs also under Hazard mitigation by
121 FEMA. A map will be presented at the next meeting that shows houses that are pre-
122 registered for those programs.

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125 **Consideration of changing the October 1, 2024 deadline given to the Volunteers**
126 **Green and Browns Court Project Committee for recommendations for installations**
127 **at Volunteers Green**

128 Timestamp: 0:37

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130 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Barnard, Ziskie, LaBounty,
131 Wood, Osborne, Hill

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133 Barnard described that the original quote for a structural engineer for repairs needed for
134 the Bandshell for \$6,500 has expired. She is asking that the deadline of Oct. 1 be
135 extended because the deadline for ARPA funds has been extended. LaBounty stated that
136 the deadline could be moved. Wood interjected that everyone had been hopeful that the
137 work would be completed this summer. Osborne stated that the Planning and Zoning
138 should have something for the Selectboard within 4-6 weeks, but this still must go
139 through legal. Barnard continued that the Round Church is now 90% complete.

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141 *Furr moved to remove the October 1, 2024 deadline for recommendations on installations in*
142 *Volunteers Green and set a new deadline once Zoning amendments related to Volunteers Green*
143 *have been approved. Wood seconded.*

144 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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147 **Consideration of adding a microphone to Selectboard meeting room**

148 Timestamp: 0: 49

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150 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Furr, Contis, Hill

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152 Furr mentioned that people who are in the back of the room are not heard on the Zoom
153 recording. Contis elaborated that the new microphones that are being used in Jericho are
154 ceiling microphones and are working well in a similar sized room. Ceiling mics would be
155 in addition to the tabletop mics and are connected via Ethernet.

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157 *Wood moved to use up to \$2,000 from the Town Center and Library Reserve Fund to*
158 *invest in a microphone for the Town Center Meeting Room. Hill seconded.*

159 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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162 **Discussion of Stormwater General Permit 3-9050 for the Southview Subdivision**

163 Timestamp: 0:59

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165 https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3g_Letter_fro
166 [m_State_to_Southview_Residents.pdf](https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3g_Letter_fro)

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168 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Hill, Furr, Heim, Carlson,
169 Beaudoin, Kelley, Evans, Asch, Kittinger, Heston, Miller, Barnard, Wood, Roberts

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171 Arneson provided background that this is a State permit that applies to all sites that have
172 3 acres or more of impervious surface, and this applies to subdivisions. This applies to a
173 subdivision such as Southview, which is 30-40 years old, is being asked to come into
174 compliance with this permit. One-third of this area is owned by the Town and 2/3 is split
175 between 123 property owners. There is no HOA in Southview. Greystone does have a
176 HOA, and they have been proactive in getting an engineer and permitting. The Town and
177 all Southview residents have now received a letter stating that they are not in compliance
178 with the 3-acre rule. Hill was appalled at the letter that was sent and that it was not CC'd
179 to the Town. Furr concurred that such a letter sent at such a late date without forewarning
180 is concerning. Heim agreed that there were several homeowners who did not get the
181 letter. Carlson stated that no one can force the residents of Southview to form an HOA
182 and that they cannot submit anything on behalf of all the homeowners. Heim claims the
183 Town would need to apply for \$50,000 ARPA funds regarding this before 30 Sept 2024,
184 the individual homeowners can apply, but they cannot take over funds. Hill explained
185 that the Town doesn't take on distribution of funds for individual properties. Beaudoin
186 read information she had collected regarding the Hidden Pines area where she resides,
187 explaining that in 2020 Hidden Pines and Mary Drive was under 3-acre sites and along
188 with Southview these were then considered three separate permit (116.9010) renewals.
189 Why have they been merged to be one permit? Kelley added that per history going back
190 to 1975 these three neighborhoods should be kept separate, maintaining separate permits
191 for the 3-acre rule. Heston added that the Town should apply for the ARPA funds, and we
192 need to know how or why the State has developed the map and put these areas together.
193 Furr suggested creating a special district around this area so that everyone in the Town
194 does not pay for this. Evans pointed out that this is the Town's responsibility since they
195 used to manage the permitting prior to this. Furthermore, what about homeowners that
196 came to live in these areas after this permit was set in place. Hill wondered if the State
197 was ignoring Act 250 permits and only looking at a history of stormwater discharge

198 permits. Beaudoin continued that in July 2020 the Town submitted a letter of intent by
199 East engineering, including Southview, Joan Ave, Hidden Pines, and Mary Drive all on
200 the same renewal, which explains how the three permits all ended up on the same
201 renewal, which was then issued on Sept. 2020, which was under the old rules. This is
202 how it has become a single renewal permit submitted by the Town. Can this be
203 “undone”?

204 Using Front Porch Forum to get information out to individual homeowners about this
205 issue was suggested as the best way to reach residents. A special Selectboard meeting
206 was suggested by Furr. Arneson suggested Sept. 23 to give time to gather information
207 and invite State representatives or attorneys. Roberts stated that the individual
208 homeowners were coming with this to the Town because they do not have an HOA. Hill
209 said we as a Town should apply for the grant no matter what. Email notifications may not
210 be complete, similarly posting on the Town website.

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212 *Furr moved that the Town file for the \$50,000 ARPA funds. Hill seconded.*

213 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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215 **Consideration of adopting Emergency Order No. 2024-02 which makes slight**
216 **changes to Emergency Order No. 2024-01, which temporarily eliminates the**
217 **requirement to obtain a zoning permit or approval from the Development Review**
218 **Board for certain activities in the Flood Hazard Overlay District including**
219 **alterations to streams, including bank stabilization, channel management, or**
220 **drainage swales.**

221 Timestamp: 2:14

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223 https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3h1_RID_July_2024_Flood_Relief_Draft_Emergency_Order_2024-02_08-27-24_mis.pdf

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225 https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3h2_RID_July_2024_Flood_Relief_Emergency_Order_2024-02_08-27-24_mis.pdf

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227 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Osborne

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229 Osborne stated in the unlikely event that we get audited in this time-period, we left out the
230 requirement that it was a permit for structures, thus the issue here is just to add the word
231 permit. And that the expiration of this is Dec. 31, 2024 and people will have 90 days after
232 that (end of March).

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234 *Hill moved to adopt Emergency Order No. 2024-02. Furr seconded.*

235 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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238 **Review of, and consideration of setting a date for a public hearing date for,**
239 **proposed Zoning Amendments which would create two new zoning districts; Village**
240 **Residential Neighborhoods North (new section 3.11) and Village Residential**
241 **Neighborhoods South (new section 3.12); and amend Sections 6.1, 6.13, 6.14, and 7**

242 Timestamp: 2:17

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244 https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3i01_-_Zoning_amendments_-_memo_to_the_SB_-_9.3.24.pdf

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280 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Clarke, LaBounty, Miller, Hill,
281 Osborne
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283 Clarke laid out the proposal to divide two Village areas (Village area North and South)
284 from their underlying districts because they are subject to different requirements based on
285 Act 47, as well as water and sewer. i.e., changing these areas from Ag-Res zones to
286 Village zone. LaBounty explained that the map presented was hard to read and that Town
287 property values are higher than other areas. Clarke continued that North village would be
288 coming out of the HDR district and the South village would be coming out of the AR
289 district. These would remain Residential districts and very few businesses. Lot size is 0.2
290 acres as a minimum. Dumpsters or toters should not be in the front yard. Osborne stated
291 that existing structures could be converted to ADU. It would be hard to add a structure on
292 a 0.2-acre lot. LaBounty wanted to know what happens if people do not have a driveway
293 to put a dumpster or toters behind their home.
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295 *Furr moved to set a hearing date of October 7th at 7 pm to consider the Amendments to*
296 *the Richmond Zoning Regulations which would create two new Zoning Districts Village*

297 *Neighborhoods North (new section 3.11) and Village Residential Neighborhoods South*
298 *(new section 3.12); and amend Sections 6.1, 6.13, 6.14, and 7. Hill seconded.*
299 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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302 **Cochran Rd. Corridor and Scoping study update**

303 Timestamp: 2:57

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305 https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3j_Memo_CochranRoadStatus_20240613__1_.pdf

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308 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Osborne, Furr

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310 Osborne explained that an advisory body is needed to move this thing forward, after
311 speaking to the engineer. He wondered if an Ad Hoc committee would be an idea, and
312 not using the Transportation committee.

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315 **Discussion of bonuses for Town Staff due to flood related work**

316 Timestamp: 3:00

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318 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Hill, Furr, Miller, LaBounty,
319 Wood

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321 Hill thinks bonuses have a short-term impact, Furr wondered if a picnic would be
322 beneficial. Miller wondered if letters of commendation would be a nice thing to do.
323 LaBounty wanted to know how people would be compensated for over-time or comp
324 time. Arneson explained that Town employees have a combination of comp time or over-
325 time. Furr and Hill wanted a meal for recognition of Rebecca. Wood suggested a white-
326 water rafting trip, but he also felt a meal would be appropriate.

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328 **Discussion and review of benefits provided to Town Staff**

329 Timestamp: 3:11

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331 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Osborne, Furr, Miller, Hill

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333 Arneson provided context: we lost 3 staff members from the Highway Department in the
334 last 2 weeks, accepting jobs in Hinesburg Highway Dept. We tried to counter, but
335 Hinesburg has more attractive benefits. He was asking permission to do a study where
336 Richmond Town employees benefits are compared to other Towns in the State, such a
337 study was quoted to cost around \$3,500. Pete has found two more employees. Miller
338 wondered if we do exit interviews.

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341 **Discussion of traffic signal at the intersection of Bridge St. and Rt. 2**

342 Timestamp: 3:21

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344 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Miller, Wood

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346 Arneson explained that we were thinking crosswalk button is hard to find and hear.

347 Miller wondered if the no parking zones would stay where they are. Wood emphasized
348 that there is nowhere to park. LaBounty wanted to know if parking lines would be added.

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351 **Consideration of approval of request by the Richmond Fire Department to hold a**
352 **coin drop on Saturday, October 12, 2024**

353 Timestamp: 3:30

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355 People who participated in discussion: Sander

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357 *Hill moved to approve the request of the Richmond Fire Department to hold a coin drop*
358 *at the traffic signal at the intersection of Bridge St. and Rt. 2 on Saturday, October 12,*
359 *2024 from 8am – 2pm. Miller seconded.*

360 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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363 **Review of draft warning for special Town Meeting**

364 Timestamp: 3:31

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366 https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3o2_Special
367 [Projects Reserve Fund - DRAFT.pdf](https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/2024/08/3o2_Special)

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370 People who participated in discussion: Sander, Arneson, Miller

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372 Arneson suggested early November as a date for a special Town Meeting. He asked the
373 lawyer about the wording of having paper ballot vs Australian ballot on the
374 announcement. The lawyer suggested not writing paperballot. Arneson encouraged the
375 board to think of a date for this special meeting.

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377 **Approval of Minutes, Purchase Orders, Warrants**

378 Timestamp: 3:37

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380 **Minutes:**

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382 Two small amendments were made.

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384 *Furr moved to approve as amended the Minutes of 8/19/24 as presented. Miller*
385 *seconded.*

386 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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389 **Motions for Purchase Orders:**

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391 *Furr moved to amend Purchase Order Number 4935 to Dirt Tech for emergency road*
392 *repairs to \$287,448.74. Hill seconded.*

393 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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395 *Miller moved to amend Purchase Order Number 4937 to FW Webb for culverts for*
396 *emergency repairs to \$69,142.20. Wood seconded.*

397 *Roll Call Vote: Furr, Hill, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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399 *Wood moved to amend Purchase Order Number 4938 to McCullough Crushing for rock*
400 *and gravel for emergency repairs to \$37,740.02. Miller seconded.*

401 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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403 *Wood moved to amend Purchase Order Number 4941 to Richard Cowles LLC for rock*
404 *for emergency repairs to \$161,955.00. Miller seconded.*

405 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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407 *Miller moved to amend Purchase Order Number 4946 to Craig Cowles Excavating for*
408 *emergency road repairs emergency repairs to \$204,890.00. Wood seconded.*

409 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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411 *Wood moved to approve Purchase Order Number 5028 to Ricks Towing and Repair Inc.*
412 *for repair of the brush truck for a total of \$15,619.09. Miller seconded.*

413 *Roll Call Vote: Furr, Hill, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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415 *Miller moved to approve Purchase Order Number 5056 to Mow N Maintain for cleanup*
416 *of Volunteers Green after the flood for a total of \$36,050. Wood seconded.*

417 *Roll Call Vote: Furr, Hill, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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419 **Warrants:**

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421 *Furr moved to approve the Warrants as presented. Hill seconded.*

422 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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424 **Next Meeting Agenda**

425 Timestamp: 3:47

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427 Southview neighborhood

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429 **Adjourn**

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431 *Furr moved to adjourn. Miller seconded.*

432 *Roll Call Vote: Hill, Furr, Miller, Sander, Wood in favor. Motion approved.*

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434 **Meeting adjourned at: 10:50 pm**

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436 **Chat file from Zoom:**

437 00:25:54 Linda Parent: the money, since 2011 was made by registration fees

438 00:30:42 Julian Portilla: As a coach and the parent of a Richmond player in the club,
439 I want to give a shout out to Emmet and his efforts to organize all of the volunteers and to
440 give the most kids the most opportunities play.

441 00:43:31 Linda Parent: we can not hear audience speakers

442 01:37:04 Cindy.Chornyak: Mary Drive is not connected to Southview at all.

443 The East Engineering map leaves off several houses out of this situation totally.

444 01:37:59 Cindy.Chornyak: Houses that are in the Mary Drive area, off Pinnacle
445 and one with an address of Mary Dr.
446 01:38:46 Cindy.Chornyak: Mary Drive residents were not informed of any of
447 this by ANR or the town of Richmond
448 01:46:37 Cindy.Chornyak: Are other private property homes in Richmond
449 being required to go through this permit process? If not this is discriminatory.
450 01:49:53 Cindy.Chornyak: Padriac is no longer involved in stormwater. I
451 emailed him today along with Kevin Burke. Padriac told me to only communicate with
452 Kevin.
453 01:52:39 pkaleita: How much has the town spent to date with the engineering
454 firm prior to withdrawing the permit application?
455 01:59:38 Cindy.Chornyak: Reacted to "How much has the tow..." with 👍
456 02:02:07 Cindy.Chornyak: But ANR states that the town is the only legal entity
457 that can apply for the ARPA funds and the permit.
458 02:11:14 Cindy.Chornyak: I have been including Jana Brown on
459 correspondence and questions on all of this.
460 02:11:49 Connie van Eeghen, she/her: Jana Brown is a home owner in Southview; I
461 think she'll be interested
462 02:13:43 pkaleita: I was told the legislation doesn't mention subdivisions, it is
463 the rules that the EPA created that targets subdivisions.
464 02:15:10 Cindy.Chornyak: Reacted to "Jana Brown is a home..." with 👍
465 02:15:39 June Heston: Replying to "I was told the legis..."
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467 Good to know
468 02:16:22 pkaleita: Replying to "I was told the legis..."
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470 Perhaps Jana Brown can shed some light on that issue, and maybe legislation to get some
471 clarification
472 02:18:07 Cindy.Chornyak: give us the assistant's email also
473 02:18:26 Cindy.Chornyak: Replying to "give us the assistan..."
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