



NOTIFICATION FOR SERVICE FOR THE  
TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NAME Nick Walsh HOME PHONE N/A

HOME ADDRESS 10320 Drake Hill Drive CELL PHONE 704-577-0379

DO YOU RESIDE IN THE TOWN LIMITS OR ETJ? Town Limits

PRESENT OCCUPATION Sales WORK PHONE 704-227-7774

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT Ricoh USA Inc

EMAIL ADDRESS Nick.Walsh.Jr@Live.com

APPROXIMATE HOURS AVAILABLE PER MONTH FOR SERVING ON ADVISORY BOARD Open

NAME OF ANY TOWN OR COUNTY BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS YOU ARE PRESENTLY SERVING ON:

Land Development Ordinance Advisory Board EXPIRATION DATE February 2016

EXPIRATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION St Petersburg College

BUSINESS AND CIVIC EXPERIENCE \_\_\_\_\_

Wynfield Homeowners Association (3 years / 2 Years as President)

AREAS OF EXPERTISE AND INTERESTS/SKILLS \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, understand this application and attached questionnaire will be kept on the active file for a two (2) year period only.

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(Signature of Applicant)

7/11/16

(Date)



## QUESTIONNAIRE

To assist the Board of Commissioners in making appointments to the Board of Adjustment, please respond briefly to the following questions. There is no right or wrong answer. Your responses will provide a framework for discussion with the Mayor and Commissioners.

**Overview:** The Board of Adjustment consists of Regular and Alternate Members appointed by the Board of Commissioners. The Regular membership shall consist of six (6) members who reside within the corporate limits, and one (1) extraterritorial member. The number of Regular members appointed who reside in the extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction ("ETJ") shall at a minimum meet the requirement of NCGS §160A-362 for proportional representation, but shall in no instance be less than one (1). The Alternate membership shall consist of at least two (2) members who reside within the corporate limits, with the remaining alternate member residing in either the corporate limits or the ETJ.

The Board's primary function is to act upon variances, which are specific requests for deviation from the strict letter of the law of the Huntersville Zoning Ordinance. As an example, picture a property with a stream running through it thirty feet back from the road. If the Zoning Ordinance requires that every new house must be set back thirty feet from the road, the property owner is faced with a hardship and may request a variance. The Board of Adjustment acts quite literally as a court, with evidence presented, petitioners sworn in, and strict rules followed to determine if indeed a hardship exists. The Board considers the facts relative to the petition and formulates a legally-binding ruling.

1. Please describe the areas of community service in which you have participated, in Huntersville or elsewhere.

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I served for three years on the Wyfield Homeowners Association Board.

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I completed the Huntersville 101 class along with the Huntersville Citizen Police Academy.

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I am currently serving on the Land Development Ordinance Advisory Board.

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2. Briefly describe your vision for Huntersville in the next 10 to 15 years. What factors during that time will shape the growth of our community?

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Huntersville is a growing and dynamic community. Properly balancing the growth of residential and business will be key to maintaining vibrancy along with a healthy tax base. I would like to see continued focus on our downtown so we foster a greater sense of pride in the identity of Huntersville.

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3. Since the Board of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial body and must act essentially as a court, it is bound by strict rules of procedure and must use specific findings of fact in order to reach a ruling. As such, Board members must base their ruling on the facts alone, and not on emotion. As a potential Board member, how will you ensure that your decisions are formed objectively?

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I think that balance is key to objective decision making. Thoroughly listening to both sides of an issue doing your best not to filter the discourse with preconceived notions is critical.

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4. With rapid development occurring in Huntersville and the surrounding area, the character and growth patterns of our community are changing rapidly. Please discuss briefly any problems that you perceive, anything that you would like to change, and/or anything you find particularly appropriate to Huntersville.

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One of the biggest opportunities I think we have is with downtown Huntersville. It is run down looking and has great potential to be a go to place just like Birkdale. I would like to see more restaurants, shops, music venues, and other entertainment options.

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OTHER COMMENTS:

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The Town of Huntersville Board of Commissioners sincerely appreciates the interest of all citizens in the Town's advisory committees and urges the public to nominate qualified persons for membership. Nominations may be sent to:

TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE  
ATTN: Michelle Haines  
P.O. BOX 664  
HUNTERSVILLE, NC 28070

For more information on the responsibilities of various advisory bodies, applicants may contact the Planning Department at (704) 875-7000.

**Thank you for completing the application and questionnaire.  
Please return them to the Huntersville Planning Department**