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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NAME Dale A. Slabaugh HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS 8731 Shadetree St. Huntersville NC, 28078 CELL PHONE

239.572.1075 \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU RESIDE IN THE TOWN LIMITS OR ETJ? \_\_ Yes

PRESENT OCCUPATION Landscape architect WORK PHONE 239.572.1075 \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT \_\_\_\_\_ Dale Alan Landscape Architecture

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ daslabaugh@comcast.net

APPROXIMATE HOURS AVAILABLE PER MONTH FOR SERVING ON ADVISORY BOARD Flexible; 2-4 hrs/month

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

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

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EDUCATION Bachelor of Landscape Architecture; University of Florida. State license FL0000626, NC000834

BUSINESS AND CIVIC EXPERIENCE: Owned and operated design/build Landscape Co. Naples, Florida; 1978-1996; Owned and operated Landscape architecture firm Naples, Florida; 1996-2008. Owned and operated design/build/maintenance Landscape Co Naples, Florida 2008-2016

AREAS OF EXPERTISE AND INTEREST: \_ Land planning, Community development standards, landscape design, Local level county design standards, landscape and irrigation plan submittal and approval process at county level.

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

*Dale A. Slabaugh*  
(Signature of Applicant)

9.26.17

(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.

Interaction with neighborhood board relating to local redevelopment project for beautification of major residential road corridor after FPL power co. buried overhead power lines. Private sector: Numerous community renovation/beautification design projects including community ID and character enhancements.

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:

Traffic and continued growth and development will need to be controlled and integrated into a plan that complement each other for the good of the residents. Preservation of greenspace should remain a priority.

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?

I am very good at evaluating a situation based on the facts alone. My personal input comes from my professional design background and not ruled by emotion.

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.

I see traffic as a priority to address in the coming years to insure the quality of life in Huntersville remains high. Also, the preservation and adding to the green space is important as well. Affordable housing should remain a priority. I feel the general landscaping and development standards in Huntersville are very good. I would like to see the standards maintained and even enhanced for future roadways, businesses and communities.



OTHER COMMENTS:

I am relatively new to the Huntersville area and I am impressed with what I have found here in this community. I like to know the community takes pride in its appearance, amenities, services and cleanliness. I feel Huntersville has done a great job in all of these areas.

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**