Volunteer Application

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5. Boards/Committees interested in: Planning Board
6. Why I am interested in the planning board: To serve the town I grew up in and to ensure compliance with municipal, state, and federal land use regulations. Also to help guide future changes to such regulations in the Town of Raymond if any.
7. What contributions, benefits, talents, skills can I can offer this position are: I am a skilled researcher, spending a good chunk of my professional life and education doing research on law and legal issues, reviewing how they apply to a situation at hand, and reducing it to written form. In addition I am used to applying rules and regulations on the fly in an active situation, or using computer time to produce a thoughtful and well supported opinion as to why something is being done the way it is being done.
8. What I feel the responsibility of the planning board is: The planning board is responsible for reviewing site plans, and also subdivisions to unsure they meet the necessary guidelines. It also spends time dealing with any possible modifications of the land use policy currently in place by the town. Through public meetings and private research the board helps to make sure that Raymond maintains its quality of life via its building requirements.
9. I have not served on any municipal boards previously, this would be my first such foray into public service.
10. I own my own business so there would not be any issue with attendance at meetings. I can schedule my own office hours and court is not in session.