

TOWN OF RICHLANDS Town Board Meeting February 20, 2024 6:00 PM AGENDA

- I. Meeting Called to Order by Mayor McKinley Smith
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Invocation
- IV. Adoption of the Agenda
- V. Adoption of the Minutes
 - 1. December 2023 Meeting Minutes
- VI. Public Comment

VII. Public Hearings

- 1. Public Hearing Petition for Voluntary Annexation
- 2. Public Hearing Zoning Text Amendments
- 3. Public Hearing Subdivision Text Amendment

VIII.Old Business

IX. New Business

- 1. Ordinance 2024-01 (Zoning Text Amendments)
- 2. Ordinance 2024-02 (Voluntary Annexation Ordinance)
- 3. Ordinance 2024-03 (Subdivision Text Amendment)
- 4. Resolution 2024-01 (Street Dedication)
- 5. Final Plat Approval (Squires Run Village)

X. Administrator Notes and Updates

1. Administrator Notes and Updates

XI. Police Report

1. December 2023 Police Report

XII. Board Member Concerns and Committee Updates

XIII. Personnel

XIV. Closed Session

XV. Adjourn



*Agenda Item V. - 1.*December 2023 Meeting Minutes

Description:

December 12, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

Review:

Attached are the minutes for the December 12, 2023 Organizational Meeting of the Richlands Board of Aldermen.

Action Needed:

Review the minutes and adopt the December 12 meeting minutes.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

December 2023 Meeting Minutes

TOWN OF RICHLANDS NORTH CAROLINA

Office of the Town Clerk (910) 324-3301 (910) 324-2324 fax townclerk@richlandsnc.gov Mailing Address: P.O. Box 245 Richlands. N.C. 28574



The Richlands Board of Aldermen met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 6:00 pm at the Richlands Town Hall. Present for the meeting were:

Alderman Kent Painter
Mayor Pro-Tem Tom Brown
Mayor McKinley Smith

Alderman Marilyn Bunce
Alderman Paul Conner
Alderman Kandy Koonce

Also present were:

Gregg Whitehead, Town Administrator Erin Juhls, Town Clerk Johnathan Jarman, Public Works Director The Honorable James W. Bateman, III Keith Fountain, Town Attorney William A Horne, Chief of Police Gregory T. Redman, CPA

There were 6 citizens present.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor McKinley Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Alderman Tom Brown

III. INVOCATION: Mayor McKinley Smith

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Gregg Whitehead, Town Administrator, presented the agenda to the Board.

A **motion** was made by Alderman Tom Brown seconded by Alderman Kandy Koonce to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

V. <u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES (November 14, 2023):</u>

A **motion** was made by Alderman Tom Brown, seconded by Alderman Paul Conner to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2023. The motion was unanimously carried.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:03 pm.

VII. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

The Honorable James W. Bateman, III, District Court Judge administered The Oaths of Office for the incoming Mayor and Alderman. The Officials sworn in were:

McKinley D. Smith, Mayor Tom Brown, Alderman Paul Conner, Alderman Kent Painter, Alderman Kandy L. Koonce, Alderman Marilyn Bunce, Alderman

VIII. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor McKinley Smith called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

IX. MAYORAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

1. APPOINTMENTS:

Mayor McKinley Smith made his appointments as follows:

Public Safety Committee:

Alderman Tom Brown, Alderman Kent Painter, Chief William Horne and Gregg Whitehead, Town Administrator

Public Works Committee:

Alderman Kandy Koonce, Alderman Marilyn Bunce, Johnathan Jarman, Public Works Director, and Gregg Whitehead, Town Administrator

Finance Committee:

Mayor McKinley Smith, Alderman Paul Conner, Town Clerk / Finance Officer Erin Juhls, and Town Administrator Gregg Whitehead

X. NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO TEMPORE:

Town Attorney, Keith Fountain, presided over the appointment of Mayor Pro Tempore by either verbal voting from the Board or by ballot if preferred. The Board decided on verbal voting. Attorney Fountain accepted nominations from the Board for Mayor Pro Tempore.

Alderman Kandy Koonce nominated Alderman Tom Brown for Mayor Pro Tempore.

A **motion** was made by Alderman Paul Conner, seconded by Alderman Marilyn Bunce to appoint Alderman Tom Brown as Mayor Pro Tem. The motion was unanimously carried.

No ballot was needed.

XI. <u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> None

XII. OLD BUSINESS: None

XIII. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

1. FY 2022-2023 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT:

Mr. Gregory T. Redman, CPA, presented the financial audit report to the Board for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. He reported on the following highlights:

- Audit was submitted on time.
- Unmodified Opinion (no findings).
- Assets of the Town exceeded liabilities at end of FY 2022/2023 by \$3,247,092
- Total net Position increased by \$918,173.
- At the end of FY 2022/2023, governmental funds balances of \$2,170,088, an increase of \$987,997 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 84% (\$1,990,658) is available for spending (unassigned fund balance).
- Spent \$125,840 of the \$\$300,000 State Grant.
- ARPA funds of \$542,742 were brought into the general fund.
- Net Profit in comparison of revenues and expenditures is \$271,095.
- Installment purchase debt decreased by \$27,131.
- Net Pension Liability of \$443,416
- Property Tax Collection rate of 99.29%.

A **motion** was made by Alderman Paul Conner, seconded by Alderman Kandy Koonce to accept the FY 2022/2023 Audit. The motion was unanimously carried.

2. ECC MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENT:

The Eastern Carolina Council is asking us to appoint or reappoint a representative to serve on the general membership board. Currently Mayor Smith is the representative.

A **motion** was made by Alderman Paul Conner, seconded by Alderman Tom Brown to reappoint Mayor McKinley Smith as the ECC representative on the membership board. The motion was unanimously carried.

XIV. ADMINISTRATOR NOTES AND UPDATES:

The Town Administrator, Gregg Whitehead, presented a copy of notes and updates to the Board which is incorporated by reference and hereby made part of these minutes. He also reported on the following:

- Congratulated the Mayor and Board Members on their re-election. And is looking forward to serving them for the next two years.
- Thanked Erin Juhls for all the hard work she has done in taking over as financial director. She has done an outstanding job.
- Wished everyone a Happy Holiday and Merry Christmas.
- Reminded everyone of the Christmas luncheon on the 18th from 12-2.

XV. POLICE REPORT:

Chief William A. Horne presented a copy of the Activity Report for November 2023 and is incorporated by reference and hereby made part of these minutes. Chief Horne also reported on the following:

- One cadet that has been with the town since August and one that has just started, graduated BLET (Basic Law Enforcement Training) on Friday.
 They took their state exam on Monday and as long as they pass, their paperwork can be submitted to get certified.
- Police Department still has one position open.
- The Christmas parade was held this past Saturday.
- Operation Deploy Santa in cooperation with the Onslow County Sheriff's Department will be Sunday the 17th at 4:00 pm here at town hall.

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

XVII. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Alderman Marilyn Bunce: Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Alderman Kandy Koonce: Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Alderman Kent Painter: Wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

XVIII. PERSONNEL: None

XIX. <u>ADJOURN:</u>

With no further business, a **motion** was made by Alderman Kent Painter, seconded by Alderman Tom Brown to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 pm. The motion was unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,	
Attest: Erin Juhls, Town Clerk	Mayor McKinley Smith



Agenda Item VII. - 1.

Public Hearing - Petition for Voluntary Annexation

Description:

Public Hearing - Petition for Voluntary Annexation (Squires Run Village).

Review:

The Board needs to hold a public hearing to hear public comment regarding a petition by South State Development to voluntarily annex the following described territory and filed pursuant to G.S. 160A-31:

All 65.99 acres of property identified as Onslow County Tax Parcel 43-60.16 and owned by South State Development LLC.

Action Needed:

Hold the public hearing hearing.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Annecation Map (South State Development)

Job No.: S201104-7553

Firm License Number: F-0108



Agenda Item VII. - 2.
Public Hearing - Zoning Text Amendments

Description:

Public Hearing - Zoning Text Amendments.

Review:

The Board needs to hold a public hearing in order to hear public comment on various proposed text amendments to Chapter 153 (Zoning) of the Town of Richlands Code of Ordinances. The various zoning text changes are listed in the attached ordinance.

Action Needed:

Hold the public hearing.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

□ Ordinance 2024-01

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA TOWN OF RICHLANDS

ORDINANCE 2024-01

Ordinance Amending Official Richlands Zoning Regulations

Introduced: November 14, 2023 Adopted: ______, 2024

WHEREAS, the Town of Richlands (hereinafter Town), seeks various amendments to Section 153.080, Table of Permissible Uses of Chapter 153 ZONING of the Richlands Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Text Amendments have been reviewed and deemed appropriate by the Richlands Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, the Richlands Board of Aldermen has posted the required notice and a public hearing for the proposed Text Amendments was held on February 20, 2024; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

SECTION 1. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen amends Title XV, Section 153.082, Board of Adjustment Jurisdiction Over Uses Otherwise Permissible with a Zoning Permit by replacing the word "Adjustment" with "Aldermen".

SECTION 2. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen amends Title XV, Section 153.160 of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by changing the following:

Paragraph (A): Replace "5%" with "20%".

Paragraph (B): Add subsection (7) that reads "No more than 40% of the open space may be wetlands."

Paragraph (C): Delete the entire paragraph and renumber the paragraphs as needed.

SECTION 3. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen amends Title XV, Section 153.186, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by deleting Paragraph (F) and renumbering the section as needed.

SECTION 4. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen amends Title XV, Section 153.207, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by deleting the current parking requirement for Multi-family residence in Paragraph (F) Table of Parking Requirements and replacing with the following:

2-1/2 spaces per dwelling unit, plus 1 additional space for every 4 units in the development.

SECTION 5. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen repeals Section 153.257 of Title XV of the Richlands Code of Ordinances in its entirety.

SECTION 6. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen amends Title XV, Section 153.323, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by removing the first sentence of Paragraph (A).

SECTION 7. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen amends Title XV, Section 153.347, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by replacing the word "four-fifths" with "three-fifths" in Paragraph (E).

SECTION 8. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen amends Title XV, Section 153.439, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by replacing "§ 153.441" with "§ 160A-75" in Paragraph (C).

SECTION 9. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen recognize and fully concur with the findings and recommendation of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Consistency Statement provided by the Richlands Planning Board dated August 22, 2023.

SECTION 10. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed severable and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 11. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted at a Regular Board Meeting on February 20, 2024.

	McKinley Smith, Mayor
ATTEST:	Approved as to form:
Erin Juhls, Town Clerk	Town Attorney



Agenda Item VII. - 3.

Public Hearing - Subdivision Text Amendment

Description:

Public Hearing - Subdivision Text Amendment

Review:

The Board needs to hold a public hearing in order to hear public comment on a proposed text amendment to Chapter 152 (Subdivisions) of the Town of Richlands Code of Ordinances. The proposed text amendment will change the open space dedication requirement in 152.071 (B) (1) from 5% of the gross acreage to 20 % and will require that no more than 40% of the open space may be wetlands.

Action Needed:

Hold the public hearing.



Agenda Item IX. - 1.

Ordinance 2024-01 (Zoning Text Amendments)

Description:

Ordinance 2024-01 (Zoning Text Amendments).

Review:

Now that the appropriate public hearing has been held, the Board my deliberate and vote on the matter. The attached ordinance and Land Use Plan Consistency Statement will need to be adopted in order to officially amend the zoning text. The Planning Board has reviewed the request and unanimously recommended approval.

Action Needed:

Approve the ordinance if desired.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Land Use Plan Consistency Statement
- □ Ordinance 2024-01

TOWN OF RICHLANDS NORTH CAROLINA

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August 22, 2023

Land Use Plan Consistency Statement Richlands Planning Board

RE: Various Text Amendments.

The Richlands Planning Board finds the action to amend the Town's Zoning Regulations by adopting the various zoning text amendments listed below to be consistent with the adopted 2009 CAMA Land Use Plan. The proposed text amendments are as follows:

- Amends Section 153.082, Board of Adjustment Jurisdiction Over Uses
 Otherwise Permissible with a Zoning Permit by replacing the word
 "Adjustment" with "Aldermen".
- Amends Title XV, Section 153.160 of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by changing the following:

Paragraph (A): Replace "5%" with "20%".

Paragraph (B): Add subsection (7) that reads "No more than 40% of the open space may be wetlands."

Paragraph (C): Delete the entire paragraph and renumber the paragraphs as needed.

- Amends Title XV, Section 153.186, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by deleting Paragraph (F) and renumbering the section as needed.
- Amends Title XV, Section 153.207, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by deleting the current parking requirement for Multi-family residence in Paragraph (F) Table of Parking Requirements and replacing with the following:
 - 2-1/2 spaces per dwelling unit, plus 1 additional space for every 4 units in the development.
- Repeals Section 153.257 of Title XV of the Richlands Code of Ordinances in its entirety.

- Amends Title XV, Section 153.323, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by removing the first sentence of Paragraph (A).
- Amends Title XV, Section 153.347, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by replacing the word "four-fifths" with "three-fifths" in Paragraph (E).
- Amends Title XV, Section 153.439, of the Richlands Code of Ordinances by replacing "§ 153.441" with "§ 160A-75" in Paragraph (C).

The text amendments will not alter any existing zoning uses but rather address inconsistencies, redundant language and/or language not compatible with G.S. 160-D. Therefore, the proposed text amendments are deemed compatible and consistent with the 2009 CAMA Land Use Plan.

The Richlands Planning Board met on August 21, 2023 to review and discuss the proposed zoning text amendments. The Richlands Planning Board unanimously voted to recommend that the proposed zoning text amendment be approved by the Richlands Board of Aldermen.

Sincerely,

Daniel Gray

Chair, Richlands Planning Board

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA TOWN OF RICHLANDS

ORDINANCE 2024-01

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WHEREAS, the proposed Text Amendments have been reviewed and deemed appropriate by the Richlands Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, the Richlands Board of Aldermen has posted the required notice and a public hearing for the proposed Text Amendments was held on February 20, 2024; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

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SECTION 9. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen recognize and fully concur with the findings and recommendation of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Consistency Statement provided by the Richlands Planning Board dated August 22, 2023.

SECTION 10. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed severable and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 11. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted at a Regular Board Meeting on February 20, 2024.

	McKinley Smith, Mayor
ATTEST:	Approved as to form:
Erin Juhls, Town Clerk	Town Attorney



Agenda Item IX. - 2.

Ordinance 2024-02 (Voluntary Annexation Ordinance)

Description:

Ordinance 2024-02 (Voluntary Annexation Ordinance for Squires Run Village).

Review:

Now that the appropriate public hearing has been held, the Board may deliberate and vote on the proposed annexation petition by approving Ordinance 2024-02. The ordinance will provide for the voluntary annexation of 65.99 acres of land located in between the Tri-Field Estates and Maidstone Place subdivisions and is being developed by South State Development, LLC. The tract of land is the location of the Squires Run Village subdivision currently under development. The Board has the option of making the effective date of the annexation immediately upon approval or on June 30, 2024.

Action Needed:

Approve the ordinance as desired.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Annexation Map (South State Development)
- □ Ordinance 2024-02

Job No.: S201104-7553

Firm License Number: F-0108

<u>ORDINANCE</u> 2024-02

AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF RICHLANDS, NORTH CAROLINA

Introduced: February 20, 2024 Adopted: ______, 2024

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen has been petitioned under G.S. 160A-31 to annex the area described below; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has certified the sufficiency of the petition and a public hearing on the question of this annexation was held at Richlands Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. on February 20, 2024, after due notice by publication on February 8, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen finds that the petition meets the requirements of G.S. 160A-31;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Richlands, North Carolina that:

Section 1. By virtue of the authority granted by G.S. 160A-31, the following described territory is hereby annexed and made part of the Town of Richlands as of June 30, 2024:

Beginning at an iron pipe found on the Western Right of Way Line of Cow Horn Road (NCSR 1311), said iron pipe being located approximately 0.36 mile from the Eastern Right of Way Line of Comfort Road (NCSR 1003), said iron pipe being the most Northern corner of a 65.60± acre tract (shown as 66.00 Acres, including the Right of Way of Cow Horn Road), and referenced in Map Book 32, Page 78, in the Onslow County Register of Deeds Office; thence from said "Point and Place of Beginning" and continuing along the Western Right of Way Line of Cow Horn Road, South 24 degrees 19 minutes 45 seconds East 943.40 feet to an iron stake found; thence leaving said Right of Way Line, South 61 degrees 58 minutes 00 seconds West 207.28 feet to an iron pipe found; thence South 26 degrees 13 minutes 44 seconds East 212.54 feet to an iron stake found; thence South 57 degrees 22 minutes 45 seconds West 75.30 feet to an iron pipe found; thence South 60 degrees 41 minutes 43 seconds West 443.33 feet to an iron pipe found; thence South 58 degrees 57 minutes 19 seconds West 445.77 feet to an iron pipe found; thence South 64 degrees 05 minutes 47 seconds West 997.88 feet to an iron pipe found; thence North 32 degrees 00 minutes 21 seconds West 599.40 feet to an iron stake found; thence South 57 degrees 34 minutes 09 seconds West 1403.36 feet to a computed point on the bank of Squires Run Creek; thence along the bank of Squires Run Creek, North 00 degrees 42 minutes 54 seconds West 193.00 feet to a computed point; thence North 27 degrees 27 minutes 55 seconds West 207.63 feet to a computed point; thence leaving said bank of Squires Run Creek, North 57 degrees 23 minutes 19 seconds East 592.52 feet to an iron stake found; thence North 57 degrees

23 minutes 19 seconds East 2022.22 feet to an iron stake found; thence North 57 degrees 23 minutes 54 seconds East 176.18 feet to an iron pipe found; thence North 57 degrees 25 minutes 23 seconds East 806.18 feet to the Point and Place of Beginning.

The described tract containing 65.60 acres, more or less, and being that same property as recorded in Deed Book 5707, Page 659, and referenced in Map Book 32, Page 78. All distances are horizontal ground, US survey feet. Acreages have been computed by the coordinate method. All courses are referenced to GPS Grid North, NAD 83 (2011) datum. This description being prepared by Tidewater Associates, Inc. from an actual survey completed on July 14th, 2023.

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Section 2. Upon and after, 2024, the citizens and property shall be subject to all debts, laws, a Town of Richlands and shall be entitled to the same privation of Richlands. Said territory shall be subject to me 58.10.	vileges and benefits as other parts of the
Section 3. The Mayor of the Town of Richla office of the Register of Deeds of Onslow County, and it Raleigh, North Carolina, an accurate map of the annexe together with a duly certified copy of this ordinance. Su County Board of Elections, as required by G.S. 163-288 Adopted this day of, 2024.	d territory, described in Section 1 above, uch a map shall also be delivered to the
	Mayor
	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
	Town Attorney
ATTEST:	

Town Clerk

North Carolina Onslow County

I, a notary public for said Co	ounty and	State, do here	eby certify that Erin Juhls personally
came before me this day and acknow	wledged t	hat she is the	Town Clerk for the Town of
Richlands, a municipal corporation	, and that	by authority d	duly given and as the act of the
corporation, the foregoing instrume	nt was sig	ned in its nan	me by the Mayor, sealed with its
corporate seal, and attested by herse	elf as its T	own Clerk.	•
Witness my hand and seal, t	his the	day of	, 2024.
My commission expires:	Notary	Public	



Agenda Item IX. - 3.

Ordinance 2024-03 (Subdivision Text Amendment)

Description:

Ordinance 2024-03 (Subdivision Text Amendment).

Review:

Now that the appropriate public hearing has been held, the Board my deliberate and vote on the matter. The attached ordinance (Ordinance 2024-03) will change the minimum amount of land that shall be dedicated for recreation, parks or open space for new subdivisions as what is required in the zoning ordinance: one-half acre for each subdivision or 20% of the gross acreage, whichever is greatest and that no more than 40% of the open space may be wetlands.

Action Needed:

Approve the ordinance if desired.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Recommendation Letter (Planning Board)
- Ordinance 2024-03

TOWN OF RICHLANDS NORTH CAROLINA

Office of the Town Administrator (910) 324-3301 (910) 324-2324 fax



Mailing Address P.O. Box 245 Richlands. N.C. 28574

January 23, 2024

Richlands Planning Board

RE: Recommendation Letter Concerning an Amendment to Section 152.071 (B) Recreation and Open Space.

On January 22, 2024, the Richlands Planning Board met and reviewed a proposed amendment to Section 152.071 Paragraph (B) (1) of the Richlands Subdivision Regulations that will change the requirement of new subdivisions to dedicate 5% of open land for recreation, parks or open space to reflect the language of recently adopted zoning regulations concerning open space for new development. The proposed amendment to Section 152.071 (B) (1) will change the 5% of the gross acreage requirement to 20% of the gross acreage with the added requirement that no more than 40% of the open space may be wetlands.

The Richlands Planning Board unanimously voted to recommend that the proposed change to the Subdivision Regulations as submitted and reviewed be approved by the Richlands Board of Aldermen.

Sincerely,

Daniel Gray

Daniel Gray

Chair, Richlands Planning Board

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA TOWN OF RICHLANDS

ORDINANCE 2024-03

Ordinance Amending Official Richlands Zoning Regulations

Introduced:	February 20, 2024
Adopted:	, 2024

WHEREAS, the Town of Richlands (hereinafter Town), seeks an amendment to Section 152.071, Buffering, Recreation and Open Space Requirements of Chapter 152 SUBDIVISIONS of the Richlands Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Text Amendment has been reviewed and deemed appropriate by the Richlands Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, the Richlands Board of Aldermen has posted the required notice and a public hearing for the proposed Text Amendment was held on February 20, 2024; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

SECTION 1. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen amends Title XV, Section 152.071, Buffering, Recreation and Open Space Requirements by changing the following:

Paragraph (B): Delete the last sentence and replace with "The actual amount of land to be dedicated shall be determined as follows: the minimum amount of land that shall be dedicated for recreation, parks or open space in all subdivisions shall be one-half acre for each subdivision or 20% of the gross acreage, whichever is greatest. No more than 40% of the open space may be wetlands."

SECTION 2. That the Richlands Board of Aldermen recognize and fully concur with the findings and recommendation of the Richlands Planning Board as stated in the letter provided by the Richlands Planning Board dated January 23, 2024.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed severable and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted at a Regular Board Meeting on February 20, 2024.

	McKinley Smith, Mayor
ATTEST:	Approved as to form:
Erin Juhls, Town Clerk	Town Attorney



Agenda Item IX. - 4.
Resolution 2024-01 (Street Dedication)

Description:

Resolution 2024-01 (Street Dedication for the Landing at Sylvester Farms).

Review:

24 East Development, LLC has submitted a letter requesting that the town accept the dedication of the streets and stormwater facilities for Nathanial Drive, Cats Way and Sylvester Farm Road at the Landing Subdivision. The street construction curbing, stormwater pipes and street lighting have been completed. However recent utility repairs on Nathanial Drive have left several spots that still need to filled in and repaired.

The attached resolution accepts the dedication of the streets, rights-of-way, and facilities located within the right-of-ways to the town. The Board can decide to approve the resolution pending the areas cut for utility work are satisfactorily repaired.

Action Needed:

Approve the resolution as desired.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Street Decication Letter (Landing at Sylvester Farms)
- Resolution 2024-01
- **D** The Landing Phase 1
- The Landing Phase 2

24 East Development, LLC

108 W. Franck Street Richlands, NC 28574

December 14, 2023

Dedication of roads and stormwater for Nathaniel Drive, Cats Way, and Sylvester Farm Road RE:

Located in Onslow County, NC

Mr. Gregg Whitehead To:

Town Administrator

PO Box 245

Richlands, NC 28574

Dear Mr. Whitehead,

Per your conversation with Ely Perry of Perry Management, our Commercial Developer, I am submitting this letter as notification of project completion for Phase I and II of The Landing subdivision. We would like to move forward and dedicate the roads and stormwater for Nathaniel Drive, Cats Way, and Sylvester Farm Road to the town of Richlands. The construction project has been completed per the plan set dated October 14, 2019, and Certified by Wm. G. Daniel & Associates.

Please let us know if you need any additional information to complete the transfer for the roads and stormwater.

Sincerely,

M Shyter III 24 East Development, LLC

L. Ward Sylvester, III

Manager

108 W. Franck Street

Richlands, NC 28574

(910) 324-1106

wardsylvester@pigglywigglystores.com

RESOLUTION 2024-01

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION TO THE PUBLIC OF RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS OF THE LANDING SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, G.S. 160D-806 authorizes any Town Board to accept by resolution any dedication made to the public of land or facilities for streets, parks, public utility lines, or other public purposes, when the lands or facilities are located within its subdivision-regulation jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Richlands acted to approve the final plats named in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the final plats named in this resolution contain public rights-of-way for the purposes of developing streets, stormwater controls, public utility lines, or other public purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Richlands Board of Aldermen has received a request by the developer named in this resolution to accept the dedication of rights-of-way, streets, street lighting and certain stormwater facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Richlands Board of Aldermen finds that it is in the best interest of the public health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of the Town of Richlands to accept the offered public rights-of-way on the plats named in this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Richlands, North Carolina:

Section 1. The Town of Richlands accepts the public rights of way and dedication of the street improvements, street lighting and stormwater facilities for Nathaniel Drive, Cats Way, and Sylvester Farm Road

in the following approved subdivision plats:

The Landing Subdivision Phase 1 (Map Book 81, Page 28) and Phase 2 (Map Book 81, Page 27)

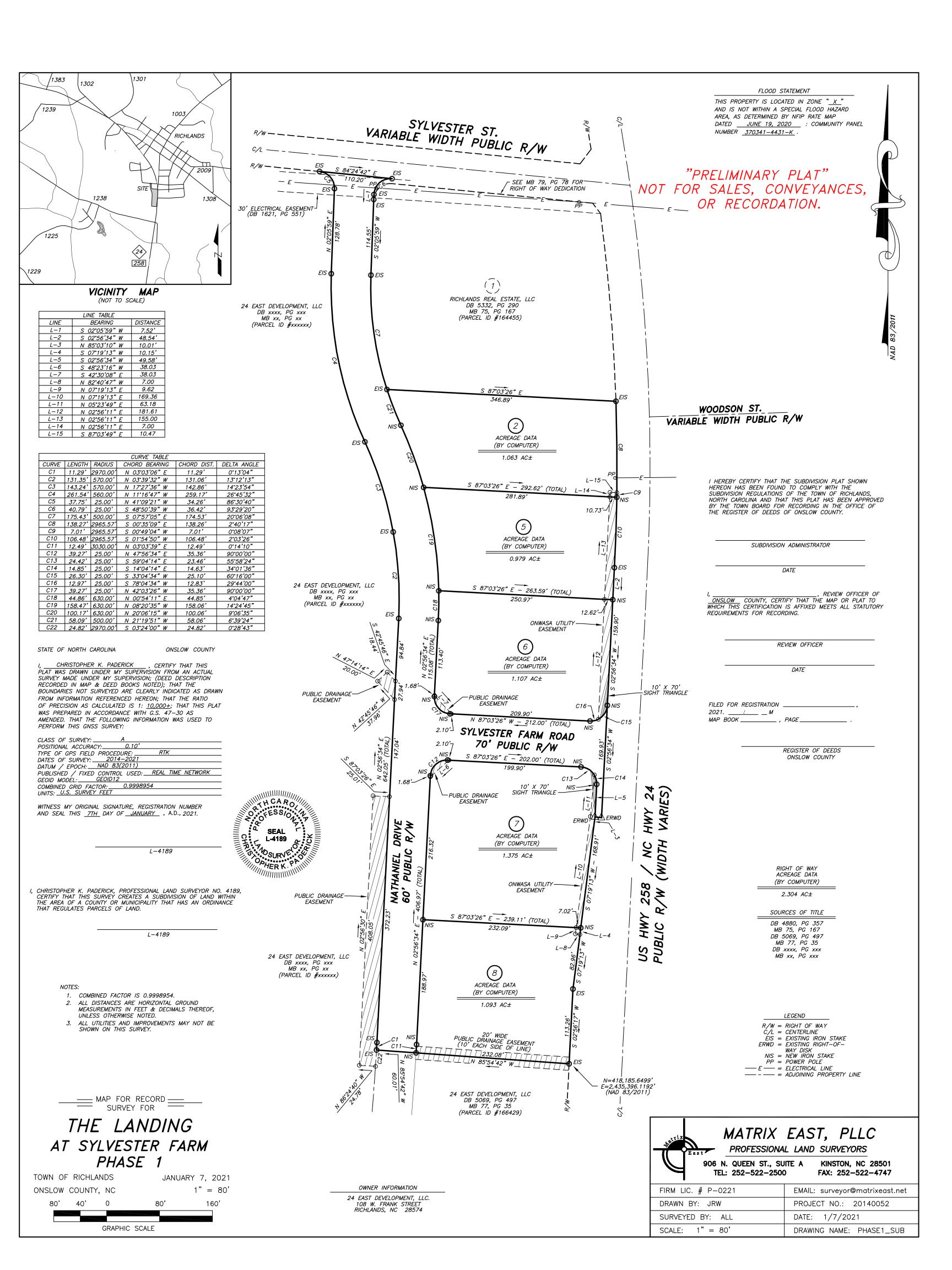
Section 2. Acceptance of dedication of lands or facilities shall not place on the Town any duty to open, operate, repair, or maintain any street, utility line, or other land or facility except as provided by the ordinances, regulations or specific acts of the Town, or as provided by the laws of the State of North Carolina.

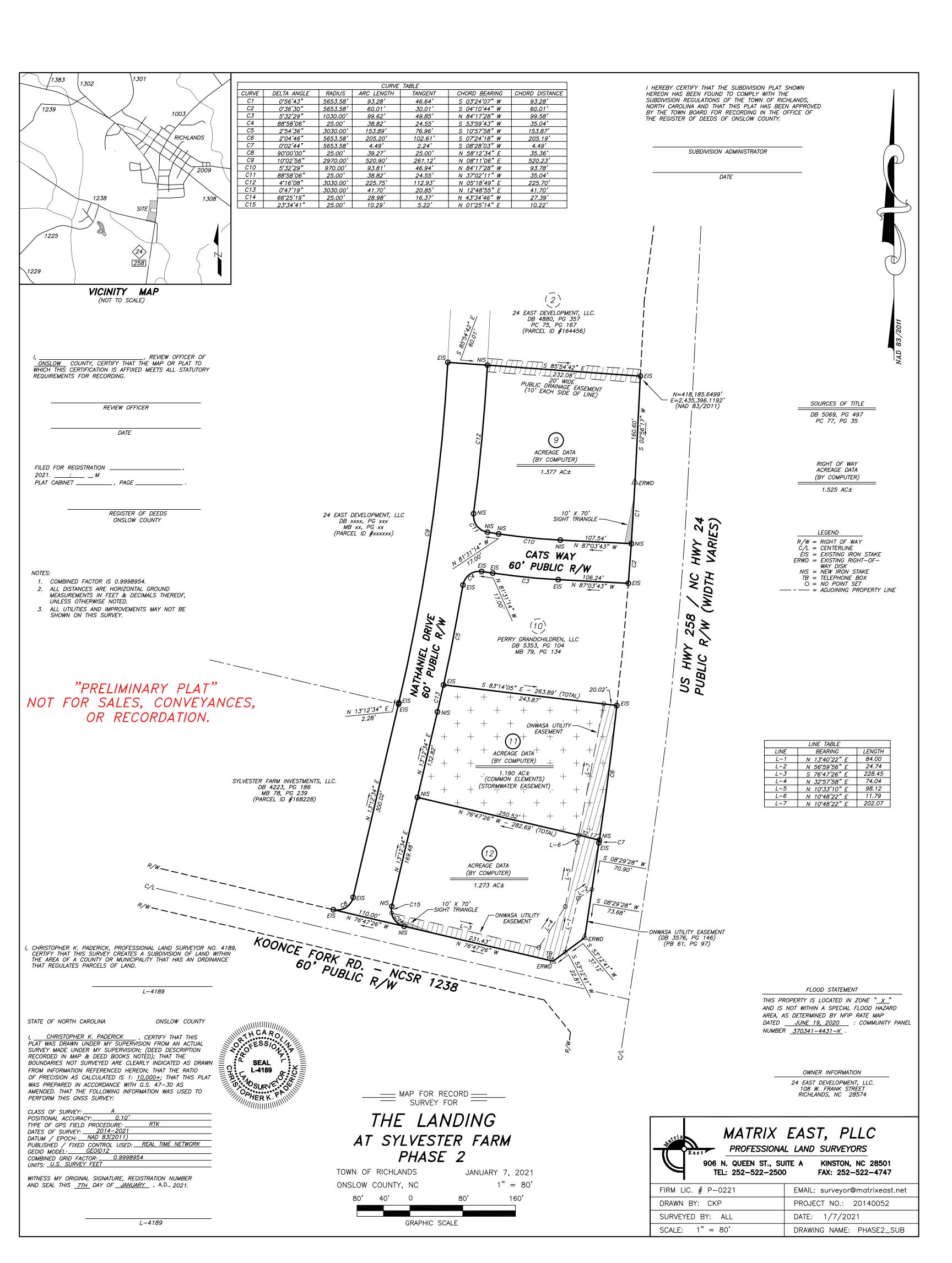
Section 3. The acceptance of the dedication of the lands or facilities shall not include any stormwater pond or similar structure, or any facilities or improvements intended or actively maintained by a Property Owners Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE TOWN OF RICHLANDS, NORTH CAROLINA THAT the Board of Aldermen hereby accept the dedication of the public rights-of-way to Phase 1 and Phase 2 of The Landing Subdivision and to accept all streets, curbs, sidewalks and certain stormwater facilities located in stated rights-of-way and as described in this resolution.

DULY ADOPTED this 20th day of February, 2024.

	McKinley Smith, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Town Clerk	







*Agenda Item IX. - 5.*Final Plat Approval (Squires Run Village)

Description:

Final Plat Approval (Section I-A of Squires Run Village).

Review:

South State Development has submitted a final plat for approval. Section I-A of Squires Run Subdivision will create 21 lots and connect to the Maidstone Park Subdivision. A bond letter has been submitted and reviewed by Mr. Jarman, Public Works Director and is deemed appropriate.

Per our subdivision regulations a developer can choose to purchase a bond in the amount of any improvements not completed in order to qualify for final plat approval.

Action Needed:

Approve the final plat if desired.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Squires Run Village Plat Section I-A
- □ Bond Letter (Section I-A)

Engineer

Date

Sheet 1 of 1

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Job No.: S230718-8409

P.O. Box 976 - 306 New Bridge Street - 28540 Phone (910) 455-2414 - www.TidewaterENC.com

Firm License Number: F-0108

Comfort Rd.

U.S. Hwy. 17

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COST OPINION for PROPOSED GUARANTEE OF UNCOMPLETED IMPROVEMENTS Squires Run Village November 21, 2023

OWNER: South State Development, LLC

503 New Bridge Street

Jacksonville, NC 28540

ENGINEER:

Tidewater Associates, Inc.

P.O. Box 976

Jacksonville, NC 28540

NOTE 1: The information contained herein represents the Preparers' opinion of the expected cost of construction based on the cost of similar types of work under similar working conditions. It is not an offer to perform the work at the stated prices, nor is it intended to represent more than the Preparers' opinion. The actual cost can be influenced by an infinite number of factors beyond the Preparers' control.

NOTE 2: Unit prices taken from Contract, where practical.

Schedule A- Roads and Drainage

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	1.5" Asphalt	ŞY	2986	\$10.00	\$29,860.00
2	Curb & Gutter	LF	1558	\$15.00	\$23,370.00

TOTAL ROADS & DRAINAGE 53,230

Schedule B- Water

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
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TOTAL WATER

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_	ule D- Street Signs	LINIT	OHANTITY	LINIT DDICE	TOTAL
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	Stop Sign	Each	1	\$275.00	\$275.00
2	Street Sign	Each	2	\$200.00	\$400.00
		TOTAL	STREET SIGN	s	\$675.00
Schedu	ule E- Sidewalks				
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	4' Concrete Walk	L/F	1558.0	\$15.00	\$23,370.00

UNIT

QUANTITY

UNIT PRICE

TOTAL

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	4' Concrete Walk	L/F	1558.0	\$15.00	\$23,370.00
2	Handicap Ramp	Each	8.0	\$900.00	\$7,200.00
		тот	AL SIDEWALK	8	\$30,570.00
		Т	OTAL PROJEC	Г	\$84,475.00
		PLU	S 25% MARKU		\$21,118.75
		PR	OPOSED BONI		\$105,593.75



Agenda Item X. - 1. Administrator Notes and Updates

Description:

- I will be attending the ENC Regional Managers Meeting being held on Thursday, February 29 at the Beaufort Community College.
- The new historic district signs are up and they look great.
- The NC Office of State Budget and Management has released the 2022 population municipal estimates. The population of Richlands is now 2,418, a 48 person increase from last year.

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Action	Needed:



Agenda Item XI. - 1. December 2023 Police Report

Description:

Attached is the Police Activity Log for December 2023.

Review:

Action Needed:

Receive the Police Reports.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- December 2023 Police Activity Log
- **D** 2023 Police Activity Summary

Activity Log Event Summary (Cumulative Totals)

Richlands Police Department (12/01/2023 - 12/31/2023)

911 Hang-Up	1	Adminstration Run	2
Alarm Activation	11	Arrest	:
Assist Citizen	20	Assist EMS	4
Assist Other Agency	4	Assist Other RPD Officer	
Bank Escort	4	Business Check	1,34
Business Walk Through	4	Call for Service	149
Citation	64	Cite & Release	
Civil Problem	4	Crash	1;
Death	1	Domestic Dispute	
DWLR	6	Fingerprinting	
Follow up Investigation	3	FTO Training	4
Hit & Run	1	Incident Report	1
Larceny	2	Lighting Violation	:
No Insurance	4	NOL	4
Open Door/Windows	4	Ordinance Violation	
Patrol Zone 1	40	Patrol Zone 2	4:
Patrol Zone 3	37	Patrol Zone 4	36
Patrol Zone 5	42	Patrol Zone 6	40
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	1	Possession of Marijuana	
Property Damage	2	Registration Violation	19
Seatbelt	10	Selective Traffic Enforcement	40
Special Assignment	10	Speeding	1:
Suspicious Vehicle/Person/Incident	7	Towed Vehicle	
Trespassing	1	Unlock Car	(
Vehicle Check After Shift	31	Vehicle Check Before Shift	3
Vehicle Searches	1	Vehicle Stop	63
Verbal Warnings	19	Warning Citation	:
Warrant	3	Window Tint Violation	(

Total Number Of Events: 2,226

Activity Log Event Summary (Cumulative Totals)

Richlands Police Department (01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023)

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<no event="" specified="" type=""> Adminstration Run</no>	<u>8</u> 316	911 Hang-Up Alarm Activation	16
Alcohol Violations	3	Animal Complaint	5
Arrest	34	Assault	12
Assist Citizen	254	Assist EMS	52
Assist Fire	4	Assist Other Agency	84
Assist Other RPD Officer	50	Attended Court	5
Background Investigations	15	Bank Escort	42
Breaking and Entering	7	Business Check	11,623
Business Walk Through	70	Call for Service	2,041
Careless & Reckless	9	Child Abuse	2,511
Citation	848	Cite & Release	15
Civil Problem	32	Crash	101
Death	3	Domestic Dispute	27
DWI	4	DWLR	75
Field Interviews	2	Fingerprinting	89
Follow up Investigation	83	Foot Patrol	5
Found Property/Safe Keeping	5	Fraud	25
FTO Training	4	Funeral Escort	13
Hit & Run	9	Incident Report	165
Juvenile Problems	29	Larceny	23
Lighting Violation	40	Lost/Stolen Property	3
Loud Muffler	1	Missing Person	5
Murder	2	Narcotic Incident	9
No Insurance	37	Noise Complaint	16
NOL	37	Open Container	5
Open Door/Windows	24	Operational Reports	22
Ordinance Violation	3	Parking Tickets	1
Patrol Zone 1	618	Patrol Zone 2	631
Patrol Zone 3	607	Patrol Zone 4	592
Patrol Zone 5	598	Patrol Zone 6	589
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	22	Possession of Marijuana	23
Possession of Meth	2	Possession Of Stolen Property	1

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Activity Log Event Summary (Cumulative Totals)

Richlands Police Department (01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023)

Property Damage	8
Registration Violation	289
Resist, Obstruct/Delay Officer	2
Seat Belt Initiative Check Point	2
Selective Traffic Enforcement	671
Speeding	368
Supplement to report	75
Task Force Event	2
Transport to Jail	21
Unlock Car	66
Vehicle Check Before Shift	565
Vehicle Stop	998
Walmart (Accident)	3
Warning Citation	29
Weapons Offense	5

Pursuit	4
Residence Check	1
Safe Movement Violation	36
Seatbelt	32
Special Assignment	73
Stoplight/Sign	22
Suspicious Vehicle/Person/Incident	100
Towed Vehicle	5
Trespassing	16
Vehicle Check After Shift	528
Vehicle Searches	42
Verbal Warnings	373
Walmart (Assist County)	1
Warrant	50
Window Tint Violation	51

Total Number Of Events: 24,643

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