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I have attached my comments for Rick's Place. I would also like to let it be known that I was appalled by the extra time that was given to Roger Fink. I am offended that everyone else had to follow the rules except for him. It was quite apparent from the beginning of his testimony that he was quite familiar with all the board members ~ I assume due to his former position with Charles County.

Vicki Jenkins

I attended the planning meeting for Rick's Place that took place on February 12, 2013. I think Rick's Place should be allowed to continue to operate. The negative issues that were brought up by the speakers centered around the neighbors' complaints concerning the road leading to Rick's Place. According to the evidence that was presented, the neighbors are blaming Rick's Place for the problems of the road, including potholes, runoff, puddles, etc. I saw or heard no evidence that Rick's Place was the cause of the deterioration of the road. There was testimony and documentation that there have been issues with the road as far back as the 1980's. At that time, it was documented that the road had issues that needed to be addressed. I also heard that neighbors were concerned about the safety of people, especially children that live near the road. I know that there is at least one other business that operates using this road as an access. I don't know how the traffic for Rick's Place can be blamed for all of the deterioration of the road.

I question the number of houses that are located on the road. My understanding is that the number of houses on a private road is limited. If the county has given permission for the number of houses being built on the private road, then the county should be willing to give a variance for Rick's Place.

I don't think that there should be any limitations on the operation of Rick's Place. I think it presents an undue hardship to limit the number of hours that he can operate. I also think it is unreasonable to expect Rick to single-handedly be responsible for the road maintenance.

Rick's Place has provided a needed service to the community. His family provides a service to farmers and hunters. The Turners are committed to helping their customers and the residents of Charles County. I think Charles County has an obligation to maintain the agricultural base of the region. I am proud to support the local economy and farmers and do so when I am able to do so. I think that Charles County should support the small businesses in the county, especially when the small business is owned by hard-working residents of Charles County. The Turners deserve the support of Charles County. These hard-working people deserve to have the opportunity to continue operating their business and serving the people of Charles County through their business and their many acts of charitable community services.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this matter.

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