

Subject: Docket #1299
Created By: brynmichael@aol.com
Scheduled Date:
Creation Date: 2/18/2013 9:44 PM
From: <brynmichael@aol.com>

Recipient	Action	Date & Time	Comment
To: Carrol Everett (EverettC@charlescounty.org)			

Charles County Planning & Growth Management
Clerk to the Board of Appeals
PO Box 2150
LaPlata MD 20646

February 18, 2013

Ms. Everett

Please enter into open record this letter concerning Special Exception # 1299. Request for a Special Exception for a Slaughterhouse: Rick's Place located at 13800 Petzold Drive, Waldorf MD.

Members of the Board of Appeals (The Board) for Charles County, MD

My name is Michael Roberts and I reside at 7122 Leonardtown Road, Hughesville MD 20637. I was sworn in and spoke about matters concerning Special Exception #1299 at the last Board meeting but would like to address a few more matters.

First matter would again be the road. As I advised the Board that a Plat was drawn up, signed and filed with the county advising anymore sub dividing of the land would require a dedicated county road be built. This has not been done for some unknown reason but part of the road has black top and made a pad for a trailer which is owned by one of the front complainants with in the fifty foot right of way the that should be open to allow cars/trucks and emergency vehicle to pass on that part of the street.

My second concern is the limited amount of Slaughterhouse operation we have in Southern Maryland and the options that we have been forced to use. This year at the local 4-H sale animals were taken to a local Amish in St.Marys County for slaughter before going to local butcher shops and many local farmers went there since Rick's Place was limited. There was no safe practice of handling rare meat at all. We have been very lucky that nothing has happened yet due to the conditions that was used at that location.

In closing I would ask the Board to approve the Special Exception asked for and allow a small scale family business to operate in the county. All the Turner family wants to do is make a living with what they have. I think it would be appropriate to look at the future and divide the County Codes to allow smaller business to operate with less requirements. To some it is about the road but to other it is a way of life.

Thank your for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Roberts