TOWN OF READSBORO Development Review Board

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Readsboro Development Review Board has scheduled a Public Hearing on October 13, 2025 at 7:00pm at St. Joachim's Church Parish Hall at 342 Tunnel Street to consider Zoning Permit Application #2025-22 by applicant/property owner Joseph Berard of 1356 Branch Hill Road, Readsboro, VT for a Site Plan Review for a Boundary Line Adjustment for lot acreage going from 6.96 acres to 7.96 acres which is located at 2100 Case Lane Parcel ID# T01X977 in accordance with 2.4.4 {Site Plan Review} and Article 6 Definitions {Boundary Line Adjustment} of the Readsboro Zoning Bylaw.

Written notification has been sent to all the owners of all properties adjoining the property subject to this application.

Pursuant to 24 V.S.A 4464(a)(1)(C) and 4471(a), participation in this local proceeding is a prerequisite to the right to take any subsequent appeal.

Any person wishing to achieve interested person status to demonstrate compliance with the applicable criteria 24 V.S.A § 4416(b) should attend the meeting prior to 7:00pm to sign in or send in written testimony prior to the hearing date.

A copy of the application and additional information are available for inspection at the Town of Readsboro's Website https://readsborovt.org or contacting Carol Marchegiani at 802-423-7674 or canangel5@hotmail.com

Rhonda Smith, Clerk Readsboro Development Review Board Posted Sept 11, 2025

Application/Parcel .ID#: 2025-22 Tolk97	Administrative Use Only	Permit Fees: #150 Check# 1519 /By whom:
Date Received: Aug 18, 2025		Filing Fees: \$250
Date Approved: Aug 70 1025		Total Fees Paid: #250 TaxMapNumber: 04-61

ZONING PERMIT APPLICATION TOWN OF READSBORO, VERMONT

All sections must be completed. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Name: Joseph Berard		Phone: (413) 652-2616
		email address: parad 777 Chotmail com
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PROPERTY OWNER:		
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Tax Map Page:o੫	Lot#: 01	Parcel ID#: Tol x 977
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number of dwelling units:	non-reside publicasser	ential square feet: 288 sq [] nbly/facility square feet: 0
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6.	PL	EASE CHECK WORK BELOW THAT APPLIES:
	()	Accessory structures with up to 100 square feet of floor area
	()	Accessory structures greater than 100 square feet of floor area
	()	New residential construction single dwelling unit (1 units).
	()	New residential construction duplex dwelling unit (2 units)
	()	New residential construction multi dwelling unit (3 units or more).
	()	Residential addition/alteration/renovation.
	()	Non-residential addition/alteration/renovation.
	()	New Non-residential construction
	(\times)	Subdivision or boundary line adjustment. For applications involving subdivision of land or a
		boundary line adjustment a survey plat meeting the requirements of 27 V.S.A.
		§1403 and the rules of the Board of Land Surveyors, stamped by a Registered Land Surveyor
		licensed to practice in Vermont or equivalent.
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	()	Change of use: from residential to non-residential, or non-residential to residential; or from one non-
		residential use to another non-residential use.
	()	Conditional Use-Requires Site Plan Review & public hearing with the Development Review Board
	() Variance request
		Waiver to dimensional requirements request (lot size, setbacks, road frontage)
	()	Home Occupation - Provide Zoning Administrator with description of Home Occupation in writing
7	Z	ONING INFORMATION - may be obtained with assistance from: zoning@readsborovt.org
		<u>or</u> call (413) 652-2616.
	0	What zoning district is the property located in?
	a.	what zoning district is the property located in:
	h	Dimensional Requirements:
	υ.	Difficional requirements.

	Required	Existing or Proposed	Comments
Lot Size:	Sauce	6.96 existing /7.96 cores	Increasing lot size by I acre
Frontage:	200F1	NA	
Front Setback from Centerline of the highway	7551	NA	
Rear Setback:	40f4	NA	
Left Side Setback:	4051	NA	-
Right Side Setback:	4051	NA	

8 SIGNATURES AND AUTHORIZATIONS:

Signing of this application authorizes the Zoning Administrator to enter onto the premises for the purpose of verifying information presented in sub section 5 on this permit application.

The undersigned hereby certifies that the information submitted in this application regarding the property is true, accurate and complete and that I (we) have full authority to request approval for the proposed use of the property and any proposed structures. I (we) understand that any permit will be issued in reliance on the above representations and will be automatically void if any are untrue or incorrect

Signature of owner(s) of property:	Date: Aug 7, 2025
	<u>Date</u> :
Signatures of applicant(s) other than property ov	wner:
	Date:
	Date:
Septic System Permit has been inspected and appropriate cuts on State or Town Roads has been appropriately or the Selectboard prior to construction. A construction of the Selectboard prior to construction. A construction. NOTE: Failure to develop your property in acco	If for a new residential or commercial construction until proved the State of Vermont and an Access Permit for oved by Readsboro's Superintendent of Public Works copy of both permits must accompany the Zoning ordance with your application and any conditions of this ay affect your ability to sell or transfer clear title to your
Applicant is required to provide the names without regard to any public right of way. <u>It</u>	and addresses of adjoining property owners aformation is located at the Town Office.
Name:	Mailing Address:
Pietro J Bria 2020 Revocable Trust	31 Bedford Rd Creenwich CT 06831
David Bugber	1720 East Rd Stanford VT 05352
forest serivee United States of America	1400 Independence Are Wadnugton DC 202
River of Light	277 Basin Rd Stanford VI 05352

Name:	Mailing Address:
If you have any questions, please call, Ac	dministrative Officer, Joseph Berard
at (413) 652-2616 or email: zoning@read	sborovt.org.
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Application Number: 2025-22 Date Received: Aug 18, 2025 (initial by Admin. Officer) Amount of Fee Paid: 250°	Date Received: Notice of Hearing: Date of Hearing: Date of Decision: Decision: (Approved, denied, approved

Approved by Planning Commission 8/13/2024(This application cannot be altered or changed).

SITE PLAN

A Site Plan is required if the Applicant is requesting approval for one of the following:

- Construction of a residence
- Addition to a residence (examples: deck, porch, building expansion)
- Construction of a non-residential building
- Addition to a non-residential building
- An accessory building/structure (examples: garage, shed, barn)
- A ground sign
- Conditional Use
- Variance
- Waiver to dimensional requirements
- Subdivision or boundary line adjustment: For applications involving subdivision of land or a boundary line adjustment a survey plat meeting the requirements of 27 V.S.A. §1403 and the rules of the Board of Land Surveyors, stamped by a Registered Land Surveyor licensed to practice in Vermont or equivalent.

The Site Plan must include:

- 1. Name, address, and signature of the property owner and applicant (if different from property owner); names and address of the owners of record of adjoining lands (including all property that is directly across a road or stream from the land under consideration); name and address of person or firm preparing map
- 2 Property lines, acreage figures, scale of map, north point, date
- 3. Existing contours and features, including structures, easements and rights of way
- 4 Proposed site grading and location of proposed structures, sewage disposal facilities, water supply and land use areas
- 5. Proposed layout of roads, driveways, walkways, traffic circulation, parking spaces
- 6 Existing trees, shrubs, and other vegetation to be preserved on the site
- 7. Proposed landscaping and screening
- 8 If the application is for a sign, clear and accurate indication of the size and location of the any size to be removed or installed.

Important Information For Applicants Appearing Before the Development Review Board

The Development Review Board hears all applications brought before the Board by the Zoning Administrator

All applications before the Development Review Board requires Public Hearing notification in the newspaper at least 15 days prior to the hearing (*exception is the application for subdivision which requires 7-day posted public notice but does not need to be posted in newspaper. Applicant will receive 7-day notice prior to the Development Review Board public hearing). *The Applicant will receive a copy of the notice of the Public Hearing at least 15 days prior to the Development Review Board public hearing.

A decision will be issued to the Applicant within 45 days of the date of the final Public Hearing for Variances and Appeals and 45 days of the date of the final Public Hearing for Conditional Uses. A decision from the Development Review Board can be appealed to the Vermont Environmental Court within 30 days of issuance of a decision under Chapter 117, Title 24 of the Vermont Statues Annotated, in accordance with the governing rules of procedure and the rules of the Vermont Environmental Court.

Below, please find additional information that pertains to the different types of hearings.

VARIANCES

In accordance with the Readsboro Zoning-Bylaw, the Development-Review Board may grant Variances from ________ provisions of a zoning regulation for a structure if findings of fact are found and they are specified in the Development Review Board's decision. The findings of fact are listed below and applicants are expected to address each point at the hearing before the Development Review Board.

 $\underline{\textbf{Findings of Facts:}} \ (\textit{for structures that } \underline{\textbf{are not}} \ \textit{primarily a renewable energy resource structures})$

- 1. That there are unique physical circumstances or conditions, including irregularity, narrowness or shallowness of lot size or shape, or exceptional topographical or other physical conditions peculiar to the particular property, and that unnecessary hardship is due to such conditions, and not the circumstances or conditions generally created by the provisions of the Zoning Bylaw in the neighborhood or district in which the property is located, AND
- 2 That because of such physical circumstances or conditions, there is no possibility that the property can be developed in strict conformity with the provisions of the Zoning Bylaw and that the authorization or Variance is therefore necessary to enable the reasonable use of the property, AND
- 3. That the unnecessary hardship has not been created by the appellant, AND
- 4 That the Variance, if authorized, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood or district in which the property is located, substantially or permanently impair the appropriate use or development of adjacent property, reduce access to renewable energy resources, or be detrimental to the public welfare, AND
- 5. That the Variance, if authorized, will represent the minimum variance that will afford relief and will represent the least deviation possible from the Zoning Bylaw and from the Town Plan.

Application Fees

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Accessory Building - up to 100 Square feet Residential Building - Additions / Alterations Residential Building- multi dwelling unit - New Residential Building- Duplex dwelling unit - New

Accessory Building - over 100 Square feet

Residential Building- Single dwelling unit / primitive camp - New

Any application that requires the DRB requires both the permit fee to construct plus the \$250 DRB fee.

Other Permit Application Fees Schedule

Land Subdivisions

Access Permit - Recreational vehicles (Town Road Foreman/Board of

Access Permit - (Town Road Foreman/Board of Selectman)

Waiver to Dimensional Requirements (Development Review Board

Interpretation of Zoning ordinance or map (Development Review Boa

Zoning Variance - (Development Review Board)

Appeals to Development Review Board

Conditional Use Permit (Development Review Board) Change of Use Permit (Development Review Board)

Certificate of Compliance & Site Inspection

Certificate of Completion (free if part of active zoning permit)

Non-Residential Building - Additions / Alterations

Non-Residential Building- New

Example

\$100 base fee + (2000 * \$0.05 SF fee) = \$200 permit fee to construct + \$250 DRB fee = \$450 total fees due. A new single dwelling unit house with 2000SF of floor space that requests a waiver to the dimensional requirements as it is too close to the road.

\$250 fee. Please note that any application that requires either a waiver & conditional use, or any other combination of two DRB items will only be charge one

Findings of Facts: (for structures that are primarily a renewable energy resource structures)

- 1. It is unusually difficult or unduly expensive for the appellant to build a suitable renewable energy resource structure in conformance with the regulations; and
- 2. The hardship was not created by the appellant; and
- 3. That the variance, if authorized, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood or district in which the property is located, substantially or permanently impair the appropriate use or development of adjacent property, reduce access to renewable energy resources, nor be detrimental to the public welfare;
- 4. That the variance, if authorized, will represent the minimum variance that will afford relief and will represent the least deviation possible from the zoning regulation and from the plan.

CONDITIONAL USES

Pursuant to the Town of Readsboro Zoning Bylaw, you should be prepared to discuss the following issues by explaining how the proposed conditional use will not adversely affect:

- 1. The capacity of existing or planned community facilities;
- 2. The character of the area affected;
- 3. Traffic on roads and highways in the vicinity;
- 4. Any land use or land development regulations or ordinances of the Town of Readsboro then in effect;
- 5. The intrinsic capability of the land to support the use; and
- 6. Utilization of renewable energy resources.

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5. Utilization ofrenewable energy resources.

b. Specific Standards

In granting a Conditional Use Permit, the Development Review Board may impose other conditions in addition to those expressly specified in this Bylaw in order to safeguard the interests of surrounding properties, the neighborhood, or the Town as a whole. The Development Review Board may

1. Increase the required lot size or setback requirements;

2. Limit the coverage or height of buildings;

- 3. Control the number and location of vehicular access points;
- 4. Increase the number of off-street parking spaces;

5. Limit the number, location, and size of signs;

- 6. Require suitable landscaping and screening to maintain the district character:
- 7. Require the installation of devices or methods to prevent or control fumes, gas, dust, smoke, odor, noise or vibration, except for agricultural uses;

8. Control the design of exterior lighting;

9. Apply any additional standards as provided for by this Bylaw, where applicable.

c. As a condition of a grant of Conditional Use, the Development Review Board may attach such additional reasonable conditions as it may deem necessary to implement the purposes of the Act and this Bylaw.

d. The Development Review Board shall render its decision, which shall include findings of fact, within 45 days after completing the final hearing, and shall within that period send to the applicant, by certified mail, a copy of the decision. Copies of the decision also shall be mailed to every person or body appearing and having been heard at the hearing, and a copy thereof shall be filed with the Administrative Officer and the Readsboro Town Clerk as part of the public records thereof. Failure to act within the 45 days shall be deemed approval.

e. Site Plans in accordance with Bylaw Section 2.4.4 shall accompany the Zoning Permit Application for all proposed Conditional Uses.

2.4.4 Site Plan Review

The Development Review Board shall review and decide upon Site Plan Applications in accordance with Section 4416 {Site plan review} of the Act. All uses other than one or two family dwellings, agricultural and forestry uses, residential accessory uses, signs, or day care facilities serving no more than six (6) full-time persons, and group homes and residential care homes serving not more than eight (8) persons require Site Plan Approval from the Development Review Board.

a Application:

The applicant shall submit two sets of Site Plan maps drawn to scale and supporting data to the Administrative Officer that shall include the following information presented in drawn fonn and written text:

- I. Name, address, and signature of the property owner and applicant (if different from property owner); names and address of the owners of record of adjoining lands (including all property that is directly across a road or stream from the land under consideration); name and address of person or firm preparing map;
- 2. Property lines, acreage figures, scale of map, north point, date;
- 3. Existing contours and features, including structures, easements and rights of way;
- 4. Proposed site grading and location of proposed structures, sewage disposal facilities, water supply and land use areas;
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- 8 For applications involving subdivision of land or a boundary line adjustment a survey plat meeting the requirements of 27 V.S.A. § 1403 and the rules of the Board of Land Surveyors, stamped by a Registered Land Surveyor licensed to practice in Vermont or equivalent.

b. Review Criteria:

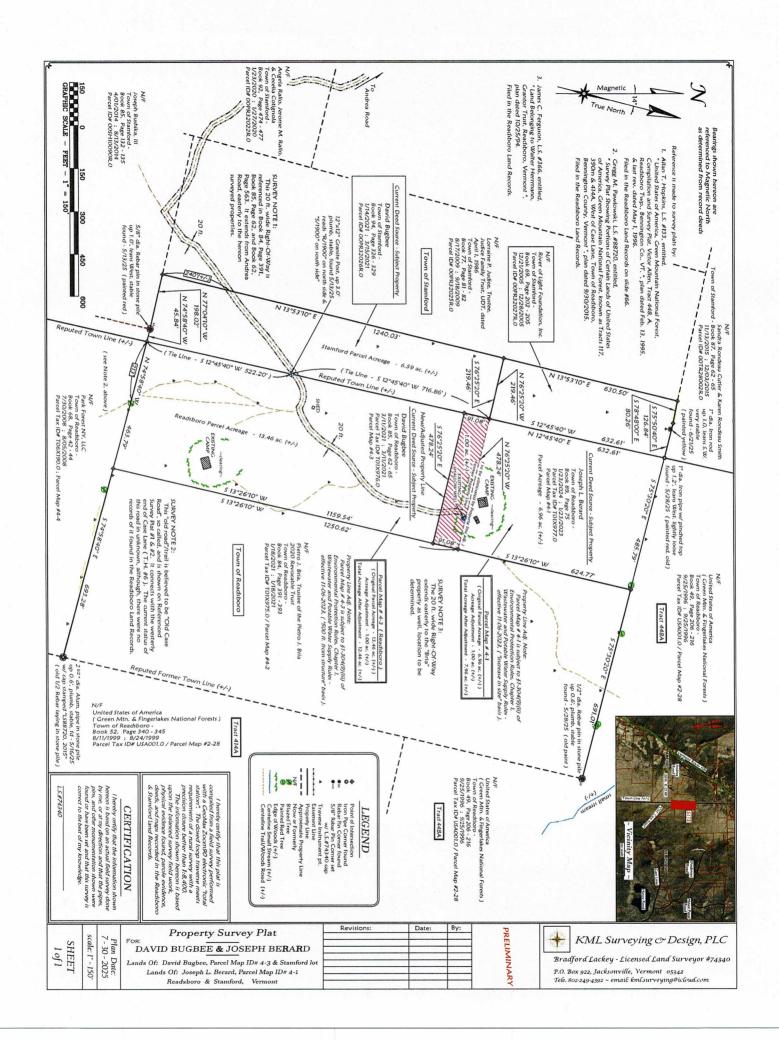
The Development Review Board shall take into consideration the following criteria in reviewing the proposed Site Plans:

- 1. Provisions for access from public roads and maximum safety of traffic between the site and streets;
- 2 Adequacy of traffic circulation within the project; adequacy of parking and loading facilities;
- 3. Adequacy oflandscaping, screening and setbacks in achieving maximum compatibility and protection of adjacent property;
- 4. Protection of the utilization of renewable energy resources;
- 5. Conformance with the policies of the Readsboro Town Plan as most recently adopted;
- 6. Design or shielding of lighting and control or buffering of noise for the protection of neighboring properties.

The Development Review Board shall take into account any additional criteria deemed necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.

c. Approval:

A Site Plan Review hearing shall be scheduled and conducted upon determination by the Development Review Board that a submitted Site Plan Application is complete. The Development Review Board shall render its decision, which shall include findings of fact, within 45 days after completing the hearing, and shall within that period send to the



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