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Application for Southern Shores Planning Board

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OCCUPATION

EMPLOYER

Current:

Retired

Prior:

Baltimore Gas & Electric (1972 to 2002)

Relevant positions:

- Director, Project Engineer
- Senior Account Director, Major Accounts
- Senior Environmental Permit Specialist

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

School	Dates	Area of Study
Baltimore Polytechnic Inst.	1970	Engineering
Community College of Baltimore	1971	Engineering
Johns Hopkins University	1985	Engineering

Specific experience, training, or interest:

Professional:

I retired from Baltimore Gas and Electric after a successful career as a project manager and utility engineer. I have extensive experience in land development, as well as Federal, state and local permitting (including Corp of Engineers, Fish & Wildlife, DOT, Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Commission (similar to CAMA)) for large utility pipeline, substation and powerline projects. I managed large zoning projects from application to approval across the state of Maryland. I have conducted multiple interagency projects for construction as well as wetland/forestry mitigation. On retirement, I started a second career as a home improvement contractor and finish carpenter. I am fully retired now. While I have hung up my contractor's belt, I am still actively engaged in handyman and other carpentry tasks as we complete a renovation.

Volunteer Experience:

- Better Beaches (OBX)
- N.E.S.T
- Southern Shores Volunteer Fire Department Rehab Unit
- Southern Shores Volunteer Fire Department Photographer
- CPOA maintenance volunteer
- former member of the Architectural Review Committee for Ashland HOA (Hunt valley, MD - 200 home historic community)
- Past President of the National Kidney Foundation of Maryland
- Boy Scouts of America Youth Protection Coordinator, past
- BSA Eagle Scout
- America's 911 Foundation, fundraiser

Interest:

I am interested in supporting the town of Southern Shores Planning Board to maintain the coastal small-town community while balancing greater demands for infrastructure and development. I want to help bring solutions as we face significant changes in the area -- the need for housing, weekend traffic, need for employees -- all of the key elements that will ensure we are living in a thriving community. I also have extensive storm/emergency response experience from my professional career that I can leverage for hurricane preparedness and response.