



Town of West Tisbury
PLANNING BOARD
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PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The West Tisbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **Monday, August 22, 2022 at 5:45 p.m. via Zoom** for an application from Bradford Tucker and Liz Ragone to install a second curb cut within the Roads District under Section 8.3-3 B of the zoning bylaws on Assessor's Map 25, Lot 6, 844 State Road, RU District.

A copy of the application and plan is available on the 2nd floor of the Town Hall Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm or email your request to planningboard@westtisbury-ma.gov. Interested parties are invited to send comments and/or attend the meeting. Please address any comment to:

Virginia Jones, Chairman
Planning Board
P.O. Box 278
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Join Zoom Meeting

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APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT

Date: 7-20-2022

rafter@revivers@gmail.com

Date Received by Planning Board: _____

Name of Applicant and Mailing Address: Bradford Tucker / Liz Ragone
P.O. Box 3000 P.M.B. 3073, West Tisbury, MA 02575

Telephone Number(s): Brad: 615-999-3141 / Liz - 508-292-3340

Name of Owner and Mailing Address (If not Applicant): Thomas Hickie
P.O. Box 3000 P.M.B. 3073, West Tisbury MA, 02575

Map and Lot # and Street Address of Subject Property: 844 State Road
West Tisbury, MA 02575 M-25 L-6

Applicant is: Tenant (Owner, Tenant, Purchaser, Other)

Applicable Section of Zoning Bylaw: 8.3-3

Date(s) and Title(s) of Plans Submitted: _____

Description of Proposal:

Please See attached letter

Thanks!

Brad Tucker and Liz Ragone

Rafter Revivers LLC
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(615) 999-3141
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25th July 2022

Town of West Tisbury

1059 State rd
West Tisbury, MA 02575

To whom it may concern,

Our names are Brad Tucker and Liz Ragone. We live and work at 844 state rd in West Tisbury, directly across from the Agricultural Hall. We have found ourselves in the very fortunate position of caring for the Hickie Farm property and reviving it to its former glory. For the past year and a half we have been tirelessly cleaning and beautifying every corner of this historic property. Brad, being a 10th generation islander of the Manter family, feels a deep rooted duty to work the land of West Tisbury.

As a child, Brad couldn't wait to leave his home on Pond View Farm and travel the world. After doing just that as a touring musician for 10 years, all he wanted to do was come home. He didn't immediately land back in West Tisbury on a farm, but with a little luck and a lot of hard work, he and Liz found themselves the proud lease holders of what was the Hickie Farm and is now operating under Radio Farm.

Brad and Liz have been running an artistic woodworking company called Rafter Revivers since 2019. We create artful pieces from serving boards, wall hanging flower vases, plant propagation stations, furniture, artistic installations, mantles, railings, you name it! We have gained some notoriety as island artists and even made the cover of Martha's Vineyard Magazine Home Edition in 2020. A big seller of ours has been our flower inlayed serving boards. We collect and dry flowers from local farms and inlay them into locally milled wood, some of which has been harvested from the property, with a two part eco-friendly epoxy resin. Being so inspired by encapsulating these everlasting blooms into wood, we set out to grow these flowers ourselves. This venture has evolved into a 1 acre flower farm and ever-growing.

Since starting the flower farm, we have branched out into all natural botanical beauty products such as facial toners and oils. We are also growing herbs and flowers to dry for teas and tinctures. We will be offering fresh cut bouquets as well as dried stems arranged artfully into locally milled wooden stands.

In addition to the flowers, we are also growing a wide variety of hot peppers to make floral infused hot sauce. One recipe includes habaneros and the peppery flower nasturtium.

Now that you know a little bit about us and our mission, we would like to submit a special request. We have spent the last year scraping together repurposed materials to renovate a pre-existing farm stand located 30 feet from the roadside. The building itself is a work of art if we do say so ourselves. We have received countless compliments from long-time islanders expressing their gratitude for creating a space that appears to have been there for generations and blends in so naturally with the landscape. We have an immense respect for the beauty and history of the town and want nothing more than to enhance it. All of the products listed above fall under farm products and are permitted to be sold in our farm stand. Our request is that we would like permission to sell our woodwork at the farm stand. All of our woodwork incorporates materials that we have harvested from the farm and have all been handmade in the wood shop on site. We are working diligently to bring beauty, culture, and even create jobs on this special island we call home.

This island, as everyone knows, is not an easy place for young people. The few that are fortunate enough to stay here are doing the absolute best they can to make a sustainable life here. We are those people and we would be forever grateful to the town for the opportunity to sell our woodwork in the store that we built to afford to maintain this property that we are so eternally thankful for.

We appreciate you taking the time to hear our story. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts in advance for your consideration of our special request.

Sincerely,

Brad Tucker

Liz Ragone

PROPOSAL FOR CURB CUT 844 STATE ROAD, WEST TISBURY

BRAD TUCKER 615-999-3141
LIZ RAGONE 508-292-3340





