

Town of Richlands
Section House Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2026

Attendance: Lynna Mitchell (chair), Greg Horn, Rod Cury, Brad Lawson, Zadin Lawson, Eleanor Armes, Donna Altizer, Sandra Culler, Joey Simmons

- I. Call to order
The meeting convened at 5:15pm.
- II. Minutes
The minutes of the 4/20/26 meeting were approved unanimously.
- III. Financial report
Lynna reported that we have not received a current statement, but to her knowledge we have had no expenditures since last month.
- IV. Update on house restoration
Rod provided an update on the house restoration; it is slightly behind schedule because Twin Enterprises has two projects to complete ahead of it. However, it should be completed by mid- or late June.
- V. Exterior flowers
Rod reported that the window box liners are still with Kim Campbell at Kim's Greenhouse to be filled with this year's flowers; she is also sprouting zinnia seeds for us.
- VI. Fourth of July celebration plans
Lynna advised that in light of the delays in the house re-opening we should plan for all of our July 4th activities to be held outside on the grounds.
Greg will be coordinating the music, providing a PA and performing when others are not. Sandra offered to play, and Don Marr may be playing as well. Rod is also arranging for Bruce Miller to have members of the RHS band to perform.
The board discussed having local students to perform historic recitations, possibly including the Gettysburg Address and Patrick Henry's "Give me Liberty or give me Death" speech. Rod also offered to ask local students to dress as American historical figures.
Lynna and Greg will provide cornhole and croquet as lawn games; Eleanor will provide bubbles and simple crafts for children; whirligigs, small flags, and other small giveaways will also be provided. Lynna will try to get a balloon inflator for balloons.

Food—Rod is waiting for a call from Joe at Lulu's to see if they will participate; Lynna volunteered to contact the Railway Depot to see if they will as well.

Donna will set up a photo backdrop using the wall of the storage building. She will also be providing bunting/banners for the front of the house.

VII. Section House Heritage Society

Lynna reported that she has discussed heading up the Heritage Society with Ginger Branton, who is considering it.

VIII. Christmas tree lighting and "Treasures of the Section House" grand re-opening

Lynna reported that there have been no updates on these events this month.

IX. Other business

Donna announced that Jason Shepherd from the town is making rebar hooks for the Front Street bridge flower baskets; the baskets are currently being filled by Kim's Greenhouse for the Garden Club.

Sandra offered a 1940's era "bathinette" for display in the house.

Next Meeting Date—Thursday, 6/18/26 at 5:00pm in the Town Hall conference room

Adjournment—The meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

Minutes prepared by Greg Horn
May 22, 2026