NOISE REGULATION LISTENING SESSION
MAY 22, 2019, 6:30-8:00 PM
CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX
2748 DOGTOWN ROAD, GOOCHLAND, VA

Supervisors in Attendance:	Alvarez, Lascolette, Lumpkins
Staff:	County Administrator Budesky, County Attorney McGee, Deputy County Administrator Todd Kilduff, and Animal Protection Director Tim Clough

County Administrator Budesky spoke to the format for the evening, of hearing from residents on both sides of the noise ordinance issue. The Board has not decided as of this evening what our next steps are going to be, that is what this session is about. We want to hear from our residents, we have heard from many who are calling, emailing and writing letters sharing their perspectives. For this evening, staff will be sharing some brief information as it relates to noise regulation in Goochland, a historical data, and will open the floor to hear from you and stated we are tracking information provided this evening. Mr. Budesky stated we will go to about 7:30 PM with public feedback at which time we will break into smaller groups for a more one on one with folks who want to share and talk through their perspectives on the concern, no decision will be made this evening, this is simply a process to gain feedback for the Board to consider and direct staff appropriately.

Mr. Budesky gave a brief overview of the noise ordinance history of the county (2006-2014) stating we are aware that some jurisdictions have noise ordinances, some do not. The County had noise ordinances on our books that were deemed non-legally sufficient; there are still jurisdictions that we know of in this region that have noise ordinances on the books that may, or may not be fully, legally sufficient.

County Attorney McGee shared what regulation(s) we have in place today. Ms. McGee stated while we do not have a noise ordinance it does not mean that all noises are unregulated in the County. One of the ways that noise is regulated that you may not be aware of, and more particularized, is very often when something is approved with a conditional use permit, it may well have some form of regulation of the noise/activity that is going to occur with that (examples of wedding, events, amplified noise, timeframes, etc.). Also, here in Goochland, we have activities that have existed for many years and now development is occurring perhaps in close proximity to that. For example, Luck Stone Quarry, south of Patterson, has been there since 1926, but when a subdivision wanted to go in across the street, one of the proffers in that case was that every deed in that subdivision has to notify the owner that there is a quarry across the

street and there is going to be big trucks, noise and your moving next to it, so a zoning condition to let residents know of something nearby that may bother you.

A general applicability that the county has had since 2008, a companion animal nuisance ordinance, a big part of that is barking, whining of dogs and other sorts of companion animals, it's not about agriculture animals, that ordinance does cover things like damaging somebody else's property or interfering with pedestrians, so when talking about a nuisance ordinance it does talk about the noise you get from that companion animal but it will also cover some of those other behaviors that are a nuisance to neighbors. Those are what we have on the books that we do to try and make citizens comfortable about what is happening around them but we do not have a countywide noise ordinance.

Mr. Budesky spoke briefly to the flow charts in the front of the room, we are interested to know what your particular perspectives are: are you for or against a noise ordinance, what noises and noise types are of concern to you, some noise may be of concern to one person but not another, trying to make sure to get that perspective. Conversely, if you are not interested in noise and all noises are fine by you, we want to know that as well, we want to capture both sides of the perspective. We are trying to understand the issues from our resident's perspective and how to take these concerns and draft something that is meaningful if the Board decides to go that route. Also, is your concern more or a residence issue or more of a countywide issue of concern, is it more of an issue during the night, daytime or no matter when it happens an issue. It is also important to know that we do have businesses that already generate noise, it may be part of their business operation, whether a restaurant that has a band, or a mining operation. We have a lot of agricultural uses, that is our number one producer in this county, a lot of noise from agricultural uses that we have to be sensitive to as we think about any noise regulation, there is always balance when you think about regulation, period.

Mr. Budesky asked citizens to be respectful with their time at the microphone when sharing their perspectives; all will get a chance to speak and around 7:30PM we will break into smaller groups.

Richard Willis, 2740 Perkinsville Road, Maidens, stated he has lived in the county for 15 years, last 6-7 years a lot of problems in his neighborhood, started with fighting roosters - crowing incessantly daybreak until dusk, neighbor down from next door neighbor had a pit bull, tied the pit bull up who barked from 4:00-6:30P after dinner, in 2017/2018 people moved in next door and brought their ATV's, ATV's ran all day on Saturdays from 8A-11A break for lunch, started up at 1P and ran til dark, ATV's can really get on your nerves. Canvassed his neighborhood and talked to 94 people, of the 94, 90 signed petitions asking for the county to draft a noise ordinance (copy submitted for file), shows tremendous amount of interest in, appreciates the County listening, this is an issue that needs to be addressed. Spoke to other counties for example,

Hanover, Henrico, Chesterfield, Powhatan, Cumberland, Fluvanna, Louisa, they all have noise ordinances, and have had them for years and they enforce them, even spoke to Nelson County and Buckingham County, copies of information presented, doesn't understand how our County is on the outline, talked with the Sheriff's office who printed a record of information and according to that office, since 2008 – 2018, there were 948 noise complaints, that's a lot of noise, given the fact that we don't have a noise ordinance thinks not much was done in those cases, (didn't get full detail of reports) but doubts any citations were issued because of no effective noise ordinance at the time, demonstrates a problem.

Unidentified citizen spoke to the need for a mark on the flow chart for ATV's and dog noise, we need a regulation everywhere on all parts of the county, day/night, police officers need some kind of tool to respond to these issues. Lives in Rockville area, homes all around, neighbor had 13 dogs in his kennel, not against the rules, kept us up day and night sometimes, it was horrible, we ended up getting a lawyer, and because there was no noise ordinance, the attorney looked at it as a nuisance and researched the law and were ready to take the individual into court and basically ended up paying him a $1000 to get rid of his dogs, because of no other recourse. You need to provide some type of regulation that is enforceable, of why we have a county attorney, can't imagine that others are not grappling with this same issue, of the need for a way to stop some of this nonsense.

Catherine O'Brien, 2310 Pony Farm Road mentioned the reference to a nuisance ordinance for dogs done in 2008, that is not exactly true. A lot of dog owners got together and hired an attorney, we met with Norman (former county attorney), went back and forth, 2012/2013, of numerous meetings, we packed the Board of Supervisors meetings, of working groups - people that had issues came, referenced Section 3.104 that is on the books right now - that was a lot of money spent by the citizens because we went in together and hired an attorney to help work with the county and so what is on the books is enforceable, it's a good, working solution. We must have a time to turn out our dogs, time limit of 6AM-10PM, this is a good working solution and does not want this to be lost because people want a noise ordinance.

Ms. O'Brien stated she is kind of neutral on the noise ordinance personally, has a neighbor that likes to shoot guns, it's not really a gun but a hand cannon, a 357, if I take his rights away I'm taking my own away. So she doesn't complain, you have to do what you have to do, main message is that she does not want the companion animal nuisance ordinance lost in this process, we have been through it, we have spent hours and hours, attorneys have met and it is something workable, doesn't want that overlooked in this process.

Susan Ellis, 1800 Manakin Road stated she lives where we are experiencing growth and increased activity by newcomers, we still call ourselves a rural community, is a proponent of hay bales, hunting, dogs, her concerns come from two parts: one is safety and the other is good

neighbor. Has been in this county for 55 years, grew up in this county, left for a while, retired military, returned to county has seen a lot of growth. When little a lot of vegetation, a lot of space between us, cows, pigs, dogs ruled, you could have any animal, anywhere and you didn't need to be concerned, now we have to think about being good neighbors, so it is from a safety aspect as well as good neighbor aspect. You have to consider businesses and people within a short distance, you want to still have your liberties and right's, but you need to be cognizant and considerate of others. About a year ago acquired a neighbor that can shoot for 50 minutes at a time, every 7 seconds, shoots anything from a .22 to a semi-automatic weapon, she has horses jumping out from under her, cows having babies, horses running through fences, dogs just about falling down in the yard and a few doors down you have a business and you have their customers running out into the street and running for town, we are a county that is going to grow, some more growth than others sooner. But if we want to endorse progress, if we want to endorse growth and people, and they are going to come, we have to do something just as we do with dog leash laws or any other ordinance we have, we have to have something that helps us help those who do not think about being respectful, is not trying to take rights away, is one of those things we need to think about. That her mom had a stroke during a fireworks display, the fireworks have become a major catastrophe in the Manakin Road area, they are not just one location that has a permit if required, they are everywhere and we have animals impeding fences, animals giving birth, it is a major dilemma and the noise level almost shakes your house like an earthquake. Sometimes we are coming down hard on good working people driving trucks going to work now, and that is not the problem so much, those trucks need to go to work (these folks with Luck Stone, someone planned and made folks aware), now in our area we have people moving into that area saying we should have people barred from driving their truck to work and they have been driving that truck to work for the last 50 years and doing it respectfully. I am talking about lack of respect, anybody is going to have a dog that barks, of pit bulls from the same residence that had excessive gun fire coming in my yard after my horses, to the point she is afraid to turn them out. You would think after night fall this kind of thing would stop, but it hasn't, they must have a flood light and do it 10-11PM at night with rapid fire. I need you to do something to keep me safe, do something that keeps my family member safe, people need to use good judgement and not infringe upon others.

Marcelyn Ellis, 1750 Manakin Rd., sits on her front porch anytime there is a holiday or wedding at the nearby country club, Hermitage Country Club, and watching fireworks, we are guaranteed a free firework show, we don't have to come up to Goochland and watch it anymore. There needs to be some kind of limitation on those fireworks, a family member that goes into mini-strokes from fireworks that is a serious issue, is a farmer and retired teacher, has 20 cows, cows aborting babies and last year on the Fourth of July, two cows had a baby the same night within a few hours, it's too much, something needs to be done, we cannot be a civilized society without some laws in place to govern all of this.

Larry Roberts, 2986 Lowry Rd., purchased a piece of land a year ago, came to Goochland because he wasn't controlled by what he could do on his land, lived in Chesterfield County area for 39 years, had to paint mailbox a certain color, couldn't build this type shed in backyard, people left letters in mailbox because he didn't cut his grass at culvert pipe, that was one reason he came to Goochland County because he didn't want to be controlled by that anymore. Does believe there needs to be some type of ordinance for the barking dogs, has a neighbor that has a kennel full of dogs that sounds like about 15 of them, at night time they bark a lot but the only time he hears them is when he is outside, wants to be careful, like someone going into the smoking area and complaining about smoking. Moved to the country because I want to be able to shoot guns, ride ATV's or have a party with loud music and need to be tolerant of the people next to me for what I want to do, as long as within reason. Doesn't like being controlled by regulations so much, we do need some regulations in place to keep things from getting too wild, moved to Goochland because he was not going to be regulated and does like when he can shoot guns on his farm, is a respectful neighbor, doesn't shoot at 11P or 12A, saw neighbor and told them we are going to have people out this weekend, we will be riding some ATV's, having a good time, come join us.

Kara Beville of Gum Spring spoke to dogs and regulation, feels for both sides, doesn't want her rights taken away either, doesn't believe this is a noise ordinance in her mind to control how they use their property, moved out for the country life, peaceful setting, one neighbor parties until 3A in the morning, walls shake with child asking what is the noise, ATV's running up and down the driveway every Sunday, new neighbor shooting anything from a 357 to an assault rifle right into her backyard where children play so she cannot let her children go outside. Spoke to dogs, that she has multiple dogs, she is a second amendment person, thinks over a certain number of dogs they have to be licensed (kennel), companion piece, there are jerks in our world who do not respect you or your property or your child, they are shooting on their 9 acres off their deck, doesn't think we need a noise ordinance, we need a nuisance noise regulation, focusing on the people who are really obnoxious and take it to excessive levels, shooting on your property – we do it, is a second amendment person – big gun advocate right here don't take anybody's rights away, but be respectful of other people, let's neighbor know she is going to target shoot, can shoot for 30 minutes or an hour and gun goes back in safe and we are done, doesn't target shoot 4-6 hours a day on her property. At a time, it wasn't a residential area, we had 20 acres behind us, now it has turned into a residential area so we wouldn't shoot there, thinks respectful people that have manners and sense don't break the rules, but there needs something in place for people that are not being respectful, ,we all came out here to buy property, the fact that they can do whatever they want but you and I are stuck having to live with it or move is not a fair position to put anybody in.

A citizen asked about laws in place for certain restrictions on when you can shoot, can't shoot within so many feet of house, are there restrictions? A citizen said absolutely not. A citizen spoke to on Christmas Day standing on back deck, heard shooting, neighbor had a handgun

target shooting, but bullet was coming across property, thru the woods and zinging by her husband's head. We should not be put in those circumstances on Christmas Day with family. We should be able to shoot but thinks there needs to be regulations when near edge of property and shooting a long-range gun, need regulations.

Dr. Susan Bodin of Riddles Bridge, stated she moved here five years ago to get away from what was going on in Henrico County, overcrowding and regulations, loves hearing cows in the morning and roosters crow, yes we do hear dogs occasionally and yes hears shooting from hunters, we shoot ourselves, also knows all of her neighbors and when there is an issue I am comfortable enough and we have a strong enough relationship where she can go to her neighbor and say hey can we negotiate something, for us personally has not been a problem, worried about the slippery slope and would not like to see any further regulation at this point.

Willy Icenhour, 2596 Sandy Hook Rd., is a responsible citizen who frequently yells for his pet dog to come home late at night because of something breaking the perimeter of his property, dog is trained to only bark when he sees someone or another animal break the perimeter to protect he and his family, that his family target practices on their property only during daylight hours several times a month being very safe and responsible, key word responsible, we also enjoy riding Harley Davidson motorcycles, sometimes we have a party with loud music, sometimes he may be working in his garage with his music up loud, maybe working on one of his vehicles and uses his air compressor, has a busted muffler on his lawn mower and is really loud, every once in a while may yell for his children to come home, may yell several times for them, sounds like I could get into some serious trouble and suffer some serious consequences, so with that being said, is totally against a noise ordinance.

Thomas Ford, 1521 Hilltop Circle, lives in Rivercliff subdivision, bought lot in 1987, subdivision has ordinances, restrictions, one of the reasons he bought in the area was because of the covenants and restrictions in there that apply to him and everybody else that owns a lot in there, of restrictions on use of property, read from Section 2…Quiet Enjoyment…it says no obnoxious or offensive activity shall be carried on upon the properties nor shall anything be done which may become a nuisance or a noise to other owners." That includes me and includes my neighbor, my neighbor has decided he is a one man army, doesn't know what he is shooting, it must be 16-20 round clips, not far from my door, 200' maybe, you would think you are in Vietnam or Iraq, loud noise, they say it cannot be automatic fire, maybe it is not but he has a quick trigger, it is loud, has nothing against hunting, he hunts, has nothing against shooting, he shoots, but this noise is unreasonable and thinks something could be crafted pro or con, doesn't know how you would draw it up from an attorney's point, but just what this says…no obnoxious or offensive activity should occur, it is that simple.

David Winchester, stated his problem with noise is music, lives in a neighborhood, is a poor man he cannot afford a big piece of land, so lives in a neighborhood, likes his home, likes his peace and quiet with his neighbor, his neighbor doesn't feel that way, Sheriff's Department is very familiar with him - he has called hundreds of times to complain and time and time again is told he has a right to make noise, I asked what about my right to peace and quiet, apparently I have no rights, works hard to pay for his place and he cannot come home and enjoy it, how would you like riding home from work and wonder what you are going to hear when you come home, thinks we definitely need a noise ordinance for music.

Floyd Fleming, Pony Farm Rd, thinks we need a noise ordinance but has to be realistic, neighbor likes shooting automatic weapons, doesn't have a problem with but at 11PM at night he does, thinks it has to have a time frame when people can shoot or allowed to shoot outside, loves fireworks, sympathizes with folks who have issues when fireworks go off, once a year thinks there needs to be some exceptions for fireworks from a patriotic standpoint, but if it becomes a nuisance it has to stop, key word is nuisance. Lack of respect, when becomes a nuisance to your neighbors then if you can't control it then there needs to be an ordinance to control it, we all like our rights, we moved to the country to live here and do things we want but we need to be respectful of our neighbors, if people cannot discipline themselves then there needs to be some type of regulation.

Joseph Ligon stated he has lived in the county his whole life (45 years), family has been here since at least the mid 1800's, we farm and spoke to agriculture noise, of lady who rents across the street from us who called Animal Control several years ago complaining the cows were bawling after we sold the calves, they are going to bawl, nothing you can do, depends on how noise ordinance is written, agriculture noises need to be left out of. The other problem is that noise/nuisance ordinances can have is people use it as weapons. Remembers the discussion in 2008, Sheriff Agnew was there, the Board asked how many complaints they had, and there were 900+/-, Sheriff Agnew testified at least 75% of them were from two people in the county, not sure if his memory is correct with that (978 complaints in 10 years, that's 97 complaints a year for a county that has 22,000 people), less than a 100 complaints a year for noise problems, if you are averaging out; it doesn't sound like we have a true noise problem. Obviously, there are some individual situations, referenced gentleman with a covenant contract stating it sounds like a civil suit, of gentleman who sued and got his dog problem taken care of, that there was a way to resolve the issue, of being able to take care of covenant restriction problems through civil court, and added automatic weapons are not illegal in county, or anywhere else in the country if properly licensed and registered as of a 1934 act, and the 86-87 gun owners protection act, they are legal, if its legal and registered, it's legal noting covenants are civil solution to a problem, not a public nuisance ordinance. You can sue someone in civil court for making a nuisance under your C&R. When it comes to shooting, it needs to be done safely obviously, if bullets are coming across your property that is a problem, no proper back stop, (of different types of ordinances that can regulate different types of things, noise would not address that particular area, of state code

components that could be considered to address), in general - shooting needs to be protected, it is Goochland County, full of firearms, people shoot, issue seems to be when it gets to point of being a nuisance and being able to address it, now how you do that and codify that and how you make that not useable as a weapon where you have someone who is not a supporter of shooting that outrageously decides I don't like guns at all, I'm going to keep calling the Sheriff until that guy is gone, how do you prevent that in the ordinance, is there a way to write the ordinance that there is a mechanism for the supposed perpetrator to resolve the issue, where you have someone who is abusing the noise ordinance against them to get a positive result back if someone does use it as a club whether the noise is shooting or whether cows, or somebody's dogs or whatever, if you have someone who is going to call 300 times and this gentleman is going to show up from animal control because the dogs are barking, even if the dogs aren't barking, but they are calling in, what recourse does the person being affected negatively by the noise ordinance have to go against person making illegitimate calls. How to prevent any ordinance we write from being used as an abusive weapon by an annoying neighbor, false accusations, how do you defend yourself against, that needs to be addressed as well.

Greg Trojan, 5354 Broad Street Rd, Shannon Hill stated the reason he moved out to the county was to have a place for his horses, neighbor has ATV's and they ride them all Saturday, sounds like freedom to me, my neighbor across the street shoots all day Saturday, doesn't know how he affords ammunition, sound of freedom, neighbor across the street has dogs and they bark a lot, anytime somebody comes near their property but is what they are supposed to do, still the sound of freedom and protection for his family. Only problem we have in the whole neighborhood and everybody has a gun in Shannon Hill, is the lady who moved in from the big city who now thinks she has this utopian idea of what rural life is like and it should be quiet and the birds singing, we have horses, sheep, goats, peacocks, ginnies, we are agricultural, so why she decided to move into an agricultural area with farm animals he has no idea.

Jewell Gardner, Greg's neighbor, lives across the street, has dogs, has been here 23 years, husband drives a tractor/trailer, we have dogs, we have guns, has concealed carry, has a 12 year old daughter that goes to middle school, subs at school, some of the families that we have moving in the county thinks are more transient, they are not staying here 10 years+, person shooting may be a renter, older people may need income and rent, doesn't want her rights controlled either, trains her 12 year to shoot a gun, too much going on in this world to not have some protection, you can't fix stupid, doesn't know how you do that, doesn't want folks to regulate her rights, thinks everybody has needs, but doesn't want another bureaucrat in her back pocket telling her what she can and cannot do, did property management and knows about HOA's, stood on board for one and people can abuse it, if we do it and don't do it right, is moving out of county, that her dogs can get irritating, they are two year old puppies, it is irritating but Greg has not complained about me nor I him, we are country people in the Hadensville area, if problems with someone, go talk with him first, do you really always have to

call Sheriff Agnew, not necessarily, we need to be considerate of each other, if somebody is shooting across her porch she is not going to be happy about.

Richard Willis stated the document doesn't lie, 948 noise complaints from 2008-2018, these were not one person calls a hundred times, addresses show they came from different people, keep your noise on your side of the property line, if it is disturbing/disruptive/difficult to manage then cut the noise out, shut it down as a courtesy to your neighbors.

Mr. Budesky stated data has come up several times, the Sheriff has provided us with some data, as the Board considers anything moving forward, we will make sure it is data inclusive as well as any comments.

Pete Lenk, Pony Farm Road stated his perspective is a little different, he is totally against any noise regulation of any sort, my background is probably different from anyone in this room, grew up in New York City, house was directly under flight landing path, of a big jet going over his house every 60-90 seconds, all day long, you learn to tune it out, has gone through the automatic gun fire and had to call the Sheriff and held receiver up for dispatcher, neighbor was shooting towards 64 with an automatic weapons and no buffer, Sheriff came out and said we cannot do anything about it, it's legal, a week later they were shooting, one of the kids came running through the woods yelling hold your fire, hold your fire, same people, Sheriff came out, couldn't do anything about, they have since moved, that I64 is at his back property line, occasionally hears tractor trailers, you can tune noise out, is totally against any noise regulation.

Citizen spoke to say thinks we believe to have an ordinance limits or reduces our freedoms, understands what freedom is about, fought for it, but like it has been said, ordinances can protect your freedoms, perhaps improperly written or imposed ordinance could limit them, but if properly written, some of us who have had infringements on our freedoms and our safety, could be protected. Person who lived next to me was creating rapid gunfire all hours of day and night, did call the Sheriff, was told there is nothing in terms of a noise ordinance. Also they don't have a back stop, not using 4 acres of land to run my stock that I could be using, I know that there is something a little shady going on down there, was told by official folk that it probably wasn't the best idea that I reach out and be neighborly, there are those situations and in those situations, we wish that everything that could be done could be handled with a handshake but this is a very serious issue as it is to others and we are not losing freedoms, we are only having freedoms protected and properly written ordinances can protect those people who do not understand what reasonable might be.

Wendy Hobbs stated she was warden at The Correctional Center for Women in Fluvanna, was Regional Administrator over 14 prisons, we could not do a firing range without considering the economic impact, was very costly to have a range, you had to worry about lead and wear it went, it had to be directed in a safe manner. That these independent firing ranges have that, that they have lead testing, backdrops to prevent bullets from going where they are not suppose to go, thinks if we are going to look at an ordinance, that is something we need to consider "safety"…to ensure our citizens aren't placed in danger because of someone out shooting their guns, and it doesn't matter how far back in the woods you may be, you still have an environmental impact. As far as freedom of right to bear arms, thinks everyone has that right, but we are talking about the safety of people, you don't have the right to put people at risk. Not sure how we would address animal noise, we are in the country, being neighborly, a good suggestion about animals, talk to your neighbors, the music noise she would consider maybe a timeline like when we have businesses that come into our communities, events, time they begin/end.

Citizen said issue tonight is noise, we keep talking about nuisance, when we get into nuisance (ink pen clicking example), before we start writing into law a nuisance, let's quantify it. If we are going to do something about noise, use some scientific backing. Of an industry standard to protect your hearing, at what decibels are you required to wear hearing protection, so if we are going to place some sort of law or limit something make it to wear it is across the board, whether guns, dogs, noise, music, some sort of decibel rating. ATV's and devices and decibel level/reading, they measure, so that if it goes into something where no matter what size acreage of your property is, if I am inside my house and something is defined and everybody can agree on at a level that is disturbing (85 is required hearing protection), if I'm inside my house and something becomes a nuisance then I have something to measure it by than can then be legally checked against, like a speedometer. As far as the law, is on the side that it can be used against you, reference to his lab dog, lives in Mill Forest, people have 2-3 dogs, we have a puppy and were trying to house train him, needless to say anything that runs through the yard he is going to bark, started getting nasty grams from his HOA, tried to explain to them he is trying to train the dog, that he can't control what he smells and stuff, they offered him the suggestion to get the dog's bark taken out/have surgery on dog, has spent $400-$500 on bark control devices, that he is somehow able to get out of and chew up, dog is to protect property. Lived in a different county and property was broken into twice, looked at security systems, was told the best security system is a dog, neighbors don't want him to leave his dog outside during day because it disturbs them, he is inside his house, dog barks in yard he has to consciously listen for him unless at the front door, how is that bothering someone behind me, what decibel reading is it in their house, are they trying to be annoying to me. Before we go down this path, I'd like to see some scientific level of justifying what it is, not just left up to an opinion of am I a nuisance.

Avis Binford, Dogtown Road spoke to the whole slippery slope thing, because when she does research and looks at other counties' ordinances, they almost always have a variation for the hunters. Is not against hunting, let's two people hunt on her land, but hunters (90% white, 70%

male), is a slippery slope, we have ordinances to police certain people like hunting dogs that come on your property without a leash, you have to give them reasonable time to come get their dog(s), of policing everyone but we are going to make exceptions for hunters on everything, not against the exception, regulating something that doesn't require regulating always leads to a slippery slope. What about people who do shift work, so if I don't get off until a certain time, then what about my time, I may want to rest at 12 noon but you may think that is a perfectly good time to cut your grass, by most standards it would be, everybody doesn't work 9-5 anymore, that is a reality. We are country people, most of us don't live in subdivisions, knows that is changing, but we don't rent club houses to have our celebrations, we celebrate on our acreage at home, that is a sacred memory, but for someone who is a light sleeper, yes, does appreciate having quiet, doesn't expect the county to fix my every complaint and it not cost me something. If we start at the big end of the horn, the regulating thing, we are going to go down a slippery slope. The idea that other counties do it (have a noise ordinance), doesn't care what other counties do, I'm more concerned about what Goochland wants to do, one of the benefits of living in Goochland has to be is that we get to be Goochland. And heard the comment about making room for progress, more people moving in, disagrees with that, the Board has heard me several times disagree with the dog leash law. We started at the big end of the horn, there were other options. Spoke to cities that have site/sound tags for dogs that are properly trained, walks trails with her dog and runs into no one, but we started with the dog leash law instead of somewhere in the middle. This is a rural community, and it is her favorite thing about living in Goochland, so here is another chance at an ordinance and we have to be really careful because how other people do it isn't necessarily how we should do it, reference to Henrico, there are major cities scrambling to get what we have in a rural community, we have to be careful not to throw that away, we cannot get it back, you can lose a million dollars and get it back, you cannot lose rural America and get it back, just doesn't happen. Doesn't pretend to have the answer, just concerned with us over regulating, over legislating something and causing more problems than set out to solve.

Citizen spoke to the disaster with the Orapax shooting range a few years back, 700 acres, definitely had people show up from the housing development next to high school and screaming and hollering that the noise was terrible at Orapax, you have to do something about it, they ended up with the zoning board playing silly games, restricting hours of operation to the point where they never actually opened a functioning facility over there because of that. The point is the decibel levels that were measured by the firm county hired, of people so offended by any little thing that happens that they don't like, we end up losing what we moved out here for in the first place.

County Administrator Budesky thanked all for coming out, there are obviously passions on both sides of the issue, we started the meeting saying that we aren't promising a regulation but are agreeing to listen, we have taken notes and translating the minutes of the meeting. We are going

to break into smaller groups for those who did not want to speak in a group or would like to share more directly.

Kim Barton, moved from Henrico County, opposed to an ordinance, has range in backyard, loves the freedoms of rural living in Goochland and includes noise, concerned about neighbors setting off alarms.

End of Group Session

Notes from John Budesky small group

- Kara Beville, concerned about weaponing an ordinance, repetitive noises – suggesting a solution, courtesy as a gun owner, other than calling Sheriff she should video tape, multiple occurrences – residents, safety issue

- Other Resident – Suggested civil

- Shouldn't need to make a countywide
- Ms. Beville feels she should have a right to not have to spend funds to enforce
- Need to work with neighbor
- Is the county liable if not having an ordinance on gunshots?
- Do we need an ordinance on kids on ATV's?
- Need to be courteous of retaliation
- Likes guns, common sense, needs to be neighborly
- Should have something enforceable
- Don't want individuals moving in to make Goochland like another county – enjoys freedoms that they enjoy in county
- Should not regulate farm animals
- Tower notices go beyond adjoining neighbors

Notes from Todd Kilduff small group

Message Boards

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    - Fighting Roosters – 1
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    - Guns – 4
    - Fireworks – 3
    - Music – 3
    - Nuisance – 2

    - dB Range (apply science) – 1
    - Leaf Blowers
- Noise Type – Don't Regulate
    - Animal nuisance
    - Working
    - Country rights to be protected – Shooting (6), ATV's (2), cows, roosters
    - Dogs (6)
    - Motorcycles
    - Music
    - Ag noise (4)
    - Tractor trailer
    - Anything (2)
- Noise Time
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    - Night – shooting (3), music
    - All – ATV's, dogs
- Noise Locations
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    - Anywhere – 1

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    g. One bad neighbor ruins it all.

Notes from Tara McGee small group

- Ag noise allowed, but garbage trucks and weed eaters! Regulate how close to someone else's property – safety and noise upper limit. Greenwich, CT decibel limit

- Animal companion nuisance – protect it, protections on both sides.

- Leaf blowers

- Residential area – long guns, high powered - within a distance from occupied residence, Sheriff can regulate backstop, will help and participate.

- Citizen evidence collection – magistrate/court – Kara Beville (formerly Perdue)

Phone In/Letters

Leroy Pace, 3530 Pacetown Road (called in)
Noise – 500' from him, noise from cars/bulldozer, Saturdays and Sundays, speaker in tree, supports a noise ordinance, shooting by neighbors, has talked with them nothing helps. Wife has disability, after church, noise continuously, annoying on Saturday and Sundays, miniature cars and noise.

Charles Lamphere, 3953 Forest Grove Rd. (letter)
Has lived at his home for 30 years, appreciate peace and quiet that comes with country living, loud bass stereo systems in cars and homes, penetrating "boom boom" of bass speakers invade house and home, problem with neighbors, cars riding up and down the road – throbbing bass speakers, law enforcement advises nothing they can do no noise ordinance, considers it an invasion of privacy.

Richard Willis, Perkinsville Road (letter, 5/22/2019)
Dozen roosters crowing incessantly dawn to dust for months, pit bull barking for hours on end, daily for six months, 3 ATVs with loud mufflers racing around and around on 1.5 acre lot for 6-8 hours practically every Saturday and Sunday, spring, summer and early fall 2017/2018, neighbor blasting away with a heavily loaded muzzle loader and large caliber pistols, 50-75 rounds per event for years, heavy equipment running all night long, provided summary copy of noise complaints for Goochland from November 2008 to December 2018, approximately 948 noise complaints.

Richard Willis, Perkinsville Road (letter, 5/23/2019)
Of all the "about me" people that spoke at the noise listening session with disregard of impacts of noise to others, suggests solutions as follows:
Guns – go to a range or big farm/hunt club
ATV's – what race tracks for, take to large land masses, put good mufflers on
Music - take noise inside house or tune it down
Dogs – They can be trained to not bark excessively, use mechanical devices, don't chain up and leave outside
Of the need for laws, regulations, ordinances to exercise some control over the "me first to heck with you" element of society

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Citizen Noise Emails

Email from Jo Ann Hunter
May 20, 2019

Just wanted to let you know I got a call from Luck Stone. They saw the ad for the listening session on the noise ordinance and had concerns that if a noise ordinance was adopted what would be the impacts to them for their blasting and other noise related to the quarries. I explained this was just a very early community meeting to get feedback on the issue and that if the County did decide to pursue a noise ordinance we would definitely work with them and that we in no way would want to impact their business.

-----Original Message-----
From: Amy Long
Sent: Wednesday, May 22, 2019 4:15 PM
Subject: proposed noise ordinance

I am writing to let you know I am NOT in favor of enacting a noise ordinance in Goochland County. We own 8 acres in Goochland County between Oilville and Gum Spring and have a Great Pyrenees dog who is outside guarding our property 24/7. Anyone who owns a Great Pyrenees knows they bark a LOT, especially at night, because they are doing what they are bred to do--guard. Our dog has been a great guard dog, alerting us to (among other things) a copperhead right in front of our house a couple years ago. Fortunately, we have never had complaints from our neighbors. Given the rural nature of most of Goochland County, I think it would be wrong to impose a noise ordinance, especially for dog barking, when people like us depend upon our dogs for protection. Please keep Goochland free! If you don't like dogs barking, move to the city!

Sincerely,
Amy Long

From: "Lascolette, Susan F." <susanl@goochlandva.us>
Date: May 22, 2019 at 5:33:07 PM EDT
Subject: Call about noise ordinance

Hello everyone,
I received a call today from David Williams who lives at 5235 Community House Rd, Goochland.
He is opposed to a noise ordinance.
Thank you,
Susan
Susan Lascolette, Goochland District 1 Supervisor

Date: May 21, 2019 at 9:02:55 AM EDT
Subject: Noise Ordinance for RPUDs

Hi,All

I wanted to comment on the noise ordinance question, But Doug is in the hospital which is a good reason for me not to do so in person . So the following is what I would say if I could be there.

In my neighborhood, where we have lived for 30+ yrs.,in low density we hear hunting dogs bark, gun practice occasionlly, coyotes howling , cattle lowing in the distance and sometimes, when we're gazing at the dark sky in Goochland, it is so quiet you can almost hear a fish fart. That's why we live here.

The sounds, to me, are the sounds of freedom. When I was a child, we lived in Norfolk / Va Beach. Jets constantly flew practice over our heads. VERY loudly!!

Again, we would smile and say "The sound of liberty and freedom". Beautiful.

Now we are undergoing what is being referred to as "transformation of Goochland - explosive growth", (the way the media characterizes it)

We are told by builders, that people want to live on 1/3 acre lots with no maintenance - RPUD. Sheriff Agnew warned about urbanizing Goochland's rural areas, which will demand more policing due to the nature of people living in close proximity and basically not getting on together too well. This is what they complain about - noise and asking for laws to control it. Getting angry. Let the government fix that!

We have committed to 85% rural character in our county. Lets give the urban areas what they want by ordinance and create an enforcement burden on the county in those areas if music, mufflers, dogs or individuals are just too annoying for commercial and the planned living environment of RPUDs But please don't impose and sound ordinance on the aspect of our rural lives where we enjoy some freedom that fewer restrictions allow. It's a little piece of freedom I enjoy. If I want to hear something else, I know where I can go.

Thanks for all you do,

Pat Hendy

Wheatlands, 23103

May 22, 9:16 pm
Hello
I would like to thank you for allowing me to speak my opinion on the noise ordinance meeting tonight.
I am against any noise ordinance because I would not be compliant due to dirt bike riding, target shooting, dog barking at intruders, loud music, loud air compressor tools, and a loud Harley Davidson. Pleas protect my rights to be loud when I want to be.
I am a responsible citizen.
Thank you for all you do.

William Isenhour 2596 Sandy Hook Rd. Goochland VA.23063

May 22, 2019 9:09 pm

To Whom It May Concern,
This county should absolutely NOT employ a noise ordinance! We moved out of the suburbs of Richmond. I own my house and pay my taxes on my 2 acre property. I do not live in a gated community or have an HOA to answer to. I moved to the country to be able to have more freedom. More freedom for my children to have fun and not worry about bothering someone else. More freedom for my animals to live here and not upset anyone. More freedom for my husband and I to enjoy a night at our fire every once in a while with music playing and not having neighbors upset. Even the freedom for me to get up at 6am and mow my lawn! If there was ever a noise problem, I would like to be able to resolve it between my neighbors and I, and not have the government involved. My neighbor has loud music playing and happy hollering coming from their house quite frequently at night but it really doesn't bother me. If it did, I would go over there and talk to them during the day. I just don't see the need for this. I know I speak for a lot of Goochland County residents when I say that we will not allow any noise ordinance to be passed. I was unaware of the meeting tonight but, if there will be further measures taken for this, then you can count on me to be involved. We are just trying to live our best lives possible in Goochland County. Please don't make me regret moving here.
Sincerely,
Brittany Olmstead

May 22, 2019 8:56 p.m.

Good evening,

In response to the town/county meeting regarding the noise ordinance, I would like to share my thoughts.

My family and I recently moved to Goochland County from Henrico County for the sole purpose of coming out to the country where we would have privacy and my spouse would be able to shoot his .22 for target practice in peace. Also, to be able to host outdoor functions with our growing family in a safe space. Working in hospitality, I am well aware of Henrico's noise ordinance law and what it means for a community. I do not agree with a noise ordinance being put in place for a county that prides itself on being away from the hustle and bustle of the city. I find that many residents of this county and it's residential areas mind their business for the most part and are not a nuisance. All that I have come across understand the common decency of noise disturbance without it being regulated by law. I have a two month old daughter and even I have never been bothered by noise. This is what people move to the country for, is privacy and the right to do as they please on their own property. It would be a shame for the county to impose on folks going about their business on their own property, especially for those who own farm animals.

Signed,
Hannah Churchill
Goochland County resident

May 22, 2019 7:59 pm
Angie Nicole

We moved from Miami 15 years ago so we could have the peace and quiet as well as be able to ride our 4wheelers, shoot our guns, and just enjoy the country life. We didnt move into an HOA community so we could have the freedom to do these things. We didnt move to the country to complain about the roosters, early mowing, or people cutting up on their own property. I'm sure a large majority of us moved to the county for the more lax noise regulations and such. Dont turn this beautiful country county into a snobby, complaining, place like the areas to our east. We all pay our taxes and pay a large amount to live in this county. Please dont take away the country charm we all love. The growth we have seen since moving here has been tremendous and alot of us are frightened that we will and are slowly becoming the new Henrico style area. Thank you,

May 23, 2019 8:50 a.m.

Hello,

Please vote no to any sort of noise ordinance.
I am currently building a home in goochland and heard about the new proposed noise ordinance. I would like to say neighborhoods with HOAs are built to have their own rules and noise ordinances. People buy land ect should have freedom to do what they would like on their land.

Thank you,

Brittany McDorman

From: Adam Melton
Sent: Wednesday, May 22, 2019 9:41 PM
Subject: Noise Ordinance

Good Evening,

I have been a lifelong resident of Goochland County, and I don't plan on changing that. I sat in the meeting at the old middle school and listened to all my fellow constituents this evening on both sides of the aisle concerning a noise ordinance. My position is that we should not start pacifying a select few citizen's requests to further regulate our tax paying majority of citizens. No noise ordinance is needed on any level because it's a perceived problem by a select few. One gentleman stated that there has been roughly 940 noise related complaints from 2008 to 2018. Assuming our county has 20,000 citizens in it, there are roughly 19,906 people that don't file a complaint each year. That would also be assuming each complaint was filed by a different person and it wasn't repeat complainants. Since one man said he has made "hundreds of complaints" in attendance tonight, I think you quickly begin to realize that we do not have a noise problem in Goochland. We

have a few people that are in bad situations with neighbors that aren't adult enough to work out their problems with their own neighbors, so they want to take the easy way out and have a bureaucrat force THEIR version of a resolution. This would be a very slippery slope to pursue, and quite frankly, an embarrassing one for the county to consider.

I heard multiple citizens state that they felt unsafe in their home because of nearby gunshots. I don't want anyone to feel that way in the county, so I guess I can sympathize with that notion to an extent. I seem to think our founding fathers provided ANY CITIZEN that right under our 2nd amendment. While I heard so many say there were concerned for their selves, their kids, and their animals, I did not hear one single person that had actually been injured, or had any family injured; lastly, I did not hear of any livestock that had been injured or killed either. In order for there to be legitimate fear of one's safety, wouldn't there have to be injuries or deaths to cause the fear?

I have a large family that enjoys the outdoors. One of our favorite hobbies is skeet shooting. Quite frankly, if myself and my cousins enjoy a good afternoon of shooting, it sounds like a warzone or a battlefield. To the untrained ear, or someone that has not been around guns as they have just moved here, it could or probably does sound like automatic gun fire. Why would we allow someone new to the county to impose the ways of their hometown on Goochland? Part of the reason people live in this county is because we are not regulated into unreasonable regulations by our county. I love this place, and I just don't want it to change. This culture and this way of life are being attacked because a small minority aren't comfortable. We can't allow this politically correct ideology to manifest in our county.

I have also been an avid hunter since I was little. This tradition has been handed down generation to generation in our state and our county for some time. Running dogs and hunting deer is a way of life for a lot of our citizens. It fuels our economy in so many ways. It also provides an activity for young men and women to participate in that teaches so many other valuable skills. There are plenty of counties and states where running dogs is illegal. Why would we appease a disgruntled citizen that ultimately chose to move somewhere where they run dogs? I don't speak Spanish or German, so I'm not going to move to Mexico or Germany. If I moved out of this county to a place dog running was illegal, I probably wouldn't insist that we run dogs on deer in that county because I'm not an unreasonable person.

Please do not allow things like this to permeate the culture of Goochland County. If Goochland's citizens are at the mercy of what their neighbors fears are, we should be able to interview and vote for each one before they move here to help decide our laws. I know that is an unreasonable notion, just like the regulations that were being discussed tonight.

Adam Melton

From: Ricky Young
Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 7:40 AM
Subject: Noise

Good morning,

I'm sending you this email opposing the noise ordinance that y'all are trying to implement goochland with.

Thank you.

From: Chris Beville
Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 12:29 PM
Subject: Noise ordinance

I was unable to attend the meeting last night but I would like to let the bos know I am in full support of a reasonable noise ordinance that helps regulate people who cannot regulate themselves. We've all had that one neighbor and lets face it when you do and they keep you up all night with music or motor cross bikes its obnoxious. Been there done that. I also have a neighbor shooting hand and long guns regularly near my home an more concerning at night. I feel there needs to be something in place to allow the deputies or the citizen to have avenues to deal with these specific scenarios verses the way it currently stands where the dispatcher say there is nothing their gonna do which causes you not to call back even though the problem persist. I am in favor of Goochland county enacting a reasonable noise ordinance that doesn't infringe on daily life but allows the people who take it beyond reasonable and check them back to being considerate of thy neighbor. Thanks Chris

From: Anne Atkinson
Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 12:23 PM
Subject: Noise thoughts

I attended the listening session last night. I think it's probably impossible to write a statute to cover every thing that could ever possibly happen regarding dogs barking, people shooting guns, playing music, riding ATVs and all other nuisances or noises. How about a commission or committee, that can act much like the Board of Supervisors or Planning Commission or Zoning Board, whose function would be to hear and act on complaints of noise and/or nuisance on a case-by-case basis. Each incident would be looked at by a group of people who decide if the certain situation or occurrence constitutes a nuisance. Therefore the Sheriff is not singularly deciding or interpreting the law or the animal control officer is not singularly deciding. It's probably a good idea that the Sheriff, or deputy or some other law officer, and animal control officer be on such a committee.

From: Kara Beville
Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 11:48 AM
Subject: Noise ordinance

Thanks for hosting the listening session last night. I very much appreciate the boards commitment to hear citizens out. I understand this is a delicate issue with citizens on both sides passionate about their plight. I learned that the 'nusiance' noise is really narrowed to 4 key issues atvs, guns, music and dogs barking.

I think some of the opposition present are often the offenders hiding under a mask of 'freedoms'. These are people who typically deem its their right to do whatever they want. However everything in this life is conditional. Most privileges and rights have some regulation because there are always those who will abuse it. Interestingly, I agree with both sides and am willing to hear those with opposing opinions out. Ultimately, my goal is to find a balance. You can't make everybody happy. However being told you have no recourse is truly disheartening and quite frankly unfair as I am also a citizen of this county who pays my taxes, and on time I might add. What about my rights and those of my family. I noted often those with opposing views didn't want to find common ground they just flat out rejected anything other than their point of view saying they shouldn't pay for it. However they are everytime a deputy has to respond to a similar call.

I bet some of the trespassing with atvs calls, shooting calls are not listed under noise issues. I would be curious to see how calls are logged because I bet there are more instances than expressed at the moment and many more that go unreported. I think many people are afraid to speak out. We were for a long time because we were told by our neighbor and the sheriff's office that one of the homes in question would retaliate. Out of fear we often didn't call and remained silent. We also were told by disoatcher there was nothing the deputies could do again, causing us not to call and report the behavior.

Unfortunately, it has shown that time and time again in our world people choose to violate those so called freedoms or privileges available to them, thus requiring laws and regulations to fall into place. Hence why we have governing bodies. Now your guns can be confiscated if your deemed mentally unfit, your driving privileges revoked if you make poor choices or at least penalized. Additionally, voting rights lost if you go to prison. I could go on an on with examples of rights and privileges that have conditional use around them. My point is there are always a few bad apples who ruin it for the masses. The fact someone is rude and cant manage themselves should not penalize me an my families ability to use our property in a peaceful way and without fear.

Make no mistake I am not complaining of one instance. I have endured multiple occurances of the same issues over and over, time an time again, year after year. I came out here to raise my kids in the country. I expect certain noise so let me be clear whats NOT an issue for me:
*animals,
*farm equipment,
*regular yard maintenance equipment
*business noise or traffic
*the occasional shooting (siting in and target)
*the occasional party or gathering
*the occasional atv riding

No sensible person has an issue with anyone doing an activity here or there for fun or otherwise. Where the problem is those that continue the behavior everyday or those that choose every saturday and/or sunday all day or late into the night often. I was raised to show respect and be considerate. If everyone shared those values the need for this ordinance would be mute but unfortunately we aren't currently living in a time like when I was a kid where neighbors generally got along and were respectful.

I also think the injustice to this process is calling it a 'noise ordinance' because that is not what it is. We aren't looking to target roosters, farm equipment or the like. Unfortunately that is the fear mongering which is taking place bc it is not being called what it is. I reference the post on Goochland moms last night where one of the attendees did just that. She did not present the concerns in a manner that provided the intent which is nuisance. We are also not talking about one offense but in many cases multiple infractions close together. She instead misrepresented what I understood were the objectives, nuisance noise. Not everybody is a good neighbor. Therefore people spoke out in opposition openly bc she mislead the intent of the noise ordinance. I believe if she had stated fact about the true objective most reasonable, rational citizens would not object because they are not likely the ones who are committing the offenses to begin with. If someone is objecting to the regulation of obnoxious behavior lets be honest they are likely the ones engaging in the behavior. We are not talking about the one time here or there party or target shooting or the like.

In closing, I will say this I am not a follow the crowd kinda girl. I opinated, but open minded enough to hear opinion and find balance. This has been an ongoing issue the board has continued to table year after year noting lack of support but if that is true why are we revisting it again and again. Why do we hear similar stories with people afraid to speak out and speak up. I believe this is a much bigger problem in this county than is being let on. So there are a few who scream no, no noise ordinance. They threatened to move but what about those of us who have often rode the sidelines saying nothing while continually dealing with an inconsiderate neighbor. That is what this fight is really about not regulating day to day noise or life's occassional sunday fun day. It is about regulating those who continue to be abusive because they can be. I shouldn't have to go hire an attorney to civilly deal with this. I should have a process in place that if I am willing to do my due diligence allows me to have recourse where currently none exist. It acts as a deterrent for the bad actors.

Many thanks to each of you for your time an patience. I do not envy any of you. I will remain a strong proponent of the board enacting some process for citizens with nusiance noise to have reasonable recourse so they to may continue to enjoy their home they have built within our community as they deem appropriate.
Best -k

From: Thomas Ford
Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 2:39 PM
Subject: Noise

Mr. Budesky:

Thank you for hosting the meeting on noise.
As I stated then, I am concerned about the noise generated by gunfire in our neighborhood. It is a noise problem as well as a safety problem in densely

populated neighborhoods such as ours.
I believe a noise ordinance would hold up in court. I suggest could be drawn based on the " QUIET ENJOYMENT " section in our restrictions.
(see deed book 166 pg 265)
The old ordinances failed in court because they were not drawn properly. I encourage the county to try again.
Thank you,
Thomas L. Ford
1521 Hilltop Circle, Maidens, Va. 23102
556-3371

Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 5:51 PM

Hello I am in favor of the noise ordinance for things like ATVs racing cars loud music and searches other nuisances. This is not to include Farm or construction machinery or things that are actually working to make a difference in the community

Since I have moved to Goochland in 1999, I have had to endure all of this noise without any recourse. My apartment in the city of Richmond was much quieter than my house on 5 acres located in Goochland County. There is something wrong with that.

I would like to see the board to Paso noise ordinance so that I do have recourse when there is loud music or racing cars or such. There have been times where I have been in my house, on this 5 acres, my house was closed up the air conditioning was on and I've had to turn my TV so I could hear it because my windows were rattling. I am getting tired of calling the county only to be told that nothing can be done.

My address is 4095 Cedar Plains Rd. in Sandy hook Virginia

Sincerely
Melissa Riddle

Jacqueline Pogue – Noise Voicemail Message

Would like some regulation around noise. I don't have a problem now. Wouldn't want to hear gunshots too close unless it was a one-off event. Concern about dogs barking when it is a nuisance (i.e. tied up and barking all day).

6/17/19 8:53 p.m.
i just wanted to say that i am still very interested in a noise ordinance for goochland. i think the need for one is becoming more important from here on out with housing developments especially. these are putting people closer together setting the stage for peoples peace and quiet being disrupted.i went to the recent public meeting about an ordinance and i think that meeting definitely showed the need for one.

David Winchester
3376 north rd

sandy hook, va 23153