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July 16, 2010

Honorable Mayor Richard Ballengee & Town Council:

It is with extreme mixed emotion that I submit this letter of resignation effective August 1, 2010. I feel pride in my accomplishments through the last twenty one years and I am satisfied with the physical, as well as fiscal, condition of the Town given the present state of economy. I have completed every goal I set for myself except the EMS Annex on Peppers Ferry Road in which the site has been donated, graded, and the site plan is under design.

I do leave with a great deal of sadness and remorse that I have been unsuccessful in controlling the emotional health of the community. The friendly, light atmosphere and hometown charm have been drastically influenced by dark forces that are stronger than I, and I as forecast the future, it does not look bright. My family and I plan to remain in Christiansburg at least until my daughter graduates from high school, then we will consider the health of the community at that time in determining whether to stay beyond that.

I leave behind the loving staff with all the remorse of a man who has lost a family and I wish them all the very best. The various Town Councils I have served have been good to me and I am proud to say that I played a small role in the many successes we have enjoyed. The Town is well prepared for the next generation in all aspects except for the dysfunctional few that are intent on government upheaval.

My last day at work will be July 30, 2010 but I will always offer myself to the betterment of this community if the leaders deem it appropriate. Thank each of you for the opportunity to be of service and may there be peace in Christiansburg again.

Sincerely,

R. Lance Terpenney  
Town Manager

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