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DIXIE PIG owner and operator Homer Hall speaks to a visitor in the kitchen of his two-room barbecue stand in Hanover.

Dixie Pig

Date Homer Hall founded barbecue pit could determine if business can remain

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Homer Hall stopped barbecuing for a couple days this week to "remodel" his two-room Dixie Pig food stand.

Next door, Teena Siggers was airing her house, relieved, she said, that smoke from the Dixie Pig's oak and hickory-fueled barbecue pit was not wafting through her home.

"My father used to wake up holding his head from the smoke," Ms. Siggers said. "It's almost beautiful back here now. I'm even hearing the crickets and whippoorwills. The quiet — it's amazing."

By Friday, however, the 78-year-old Hall was back in business, serving up slabs of ribs smothered in secret "seasoning" that, he said, has drawn a steady

flow of customers to his Hanover front yard stand since sometime in the 1940s.

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"The 1940s?," Ms. Siggers said, questioning her neighbor's claim. "He didn't buy the property until 1956."

Ms. Siggers, and more than two dozen of her neighbors, are disputing Hall's arrival at his wooded bend on Amos Avenue because they want the Dixie Pig closed.

"The place is a nuisance, constantly, with the noise, the smoke, the traffic, the trash," Ms. Siggers said.

And, if Hall cannot prove that he started selling

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