

# **Rustic Ridge Association**

## **2016 Annual Meeting Minutes**

Saturday, August 6, 2016, 9:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.  
Trinitarian Congregational Church

1. **Call to Order** – Joanna Walker, Clerk
2. **Invocation** – Rev. Kurt Nelson
3. **Minutes** of the 2015 Annual Meeting were approved
4. **Reports and Activities:**
  - **President's Report** (Lucy Livingston) – The President spoke on the vitality of the town, highlighting the cancellation of the pipeline, the safeguarding of Northfield Forest, the announcement of the Moody Center and the ongoing beauty of the area. She thanked individuals who contributed to these events and those who continue to host the rich social events that help to bind our community together.
  - **5-Acre property Report** (Bob Ziegenhagen) – Bob discussed our need to eradicate Knotweed from the 5-Acre Property, stressing that it is an aggressive weed that will eventually dominate the entire wetland if we do not act in a timely manner. He outlined the remediation program and it was broadly accepted by Association members.
  - **Treasurer's Report** (Carol Ziegenhagen) – The Treasurer highlighted the proposed 2016-2017 budget, showing that we should enter the fiscal year with a healthy reserve of \$16,776 and leave with \$15,527. The Association's main expenses are road repair (\$6,000) trash removal (\$1,440) and insurance (\$943) along with the approved 5 acre remediation (\$2,142). The budget was approved.
  - **Roads Report** (Alan Abel) – Alan proposed a budget of \$5,475 based on repair of the Wood Way and Ledge Way intersection, water diversion work on Cliff and repair of Wood Way. His plan was approved.
  - **Youth Activities Report** (Catherine Broadhead) – Catherine outlined a heartening list of events in the current and next years for both children and adults. The membership expressed their thanks for Catherine's contributions.
  - **Memorials and Arrivals** (Leesa Campbel)
  - **Town Report** (Heather Tower, Town-Ridge Liaison) – Heather presented a detailed and valuable summary of town events in the past year, continuing the work of her late husband, Steve, who passed in January, 2016.
5. **New Business**
  - **Bylaws revision** (Martha Schoonover) The ssociation reviewed and approved changes to the bylaws.
  - The community thanked retiring Board Members, Joanna Walker, Catherine Broadhead, and Julie Hawkens.

- New Officers & Directors (Charlotte Martin) – The Association approved the Nominating Committee’s proposed candidates for the Board. Our 2016-2017 Board consists of:

President	Martha Schoonover
Vice President	Doug Denise
Immediate past president	Lucy Livingston
Treasurer	Carol Ziegenhagen
Clerk	Bob Ziegenhagen
Assistant Clerk	Barbara Walker
Director (class of 2017)	Leslie Townsend
Director (class of 2017)	Bill Young
Director (class of 2018)	Tim Powell
Director (class of 2018)	Alex White
Director (class of 2019)	Jeannie Bubriski
Director (class of 2019)	Leesa Campbell

## 6. Announcements

- Executive Board Meeting, today at 4 PM, 6 Mountain Road
- Ridge Picture by Vin Catania (weather and light permitting), 6:30PM at picnic
- Annual Picnic tonight at 6:30 PM, Northfield Pool (if rain, go to Trinitarian Church)
- Ridge Sunday, tomorrow, 10 AM, Trinitarian Congregational Church, Dr. Dennis Campbell, minister, Gary Garletts, organist, and Janet Abel conducting the Town/Ridge Choir
- The Outgoing President, Lucy Hann Livingston welcomed the incoming President, Martha Schoonover.

## 7. Meeting Adjourned