

East Northfield, Mass., August 19, 1941.

The annual meeting of the Rustic Ridge Association was held at Miss Maud B. Curtis' cottage on West Lane at 3 p.m. on the above date. The president, Dr. C. C. Woodruff, presided and called upon the Rev. Wm. Deissler to offer prayer.

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Miss Moody reported for the Condolence Committee on the lives of the following who died during the year: Rev. Newton E. Thompson, Rev. J. Wallace Chesbro, Miss Julia Edwards, Mrs. E. A. Fairbanks ~~and~~ Rev. J. Francis Russell and Dr. Elliott W. Brown. *Dr. Arthur N.*
Mr. Ambert Moody gave his personal recollections of Mr. Thompson, who was the first to build a cottage on the Ridge.

The minutes of the annual meeting held on Aug. 13, 1940, were read by Miss Dorothy Bruce, who served at that meeting as secretary pro tem. The minutes were approved as read.

Dr. Woodruff read his report for the year as president of the Association. In his report he stressed the great value of the services rendered by the Association at minimum expense; the need for greater cooperation; the need for road improvements; and the successful General Conference just concluded. Dr. Woodruff said he will not be able to serve again as president of the Association. The report was received with great grateful appreciation of Dr. Woodruff's long and faithful service.

The treasurer of the Association, the Rev. W. S. DesJardins, rendered the following report:

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The report of the treasurer was received and the thanks of the Association were tendered Mr. DesJardins for his valuable service.

Mrs. Bessie B. Schmadeke, chairman of the Waste Disposal Committee, made her report, giving the dates of garbage collections. The report was received.

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Mrs./Jenkins, chairman of the Milk Committee, reported that all the dairies serving the Ridge are adhering to high standards.

The report of the Road Committee was read by the chairman, Thomas J. Duncan. The report showed great progress in the improvement of our roads and announced that a number of people had contributed service and money toward the care of the roads. It described the construction of a permanent road from North Lane to the junction of West Lane and Willow Lane at a cost of \$252.83. Willow Hill was improved at a cost of \$49.40. Other repairs and improvements were also noted. The Committee reported that steps have been taken to secure the cooperation of the Seminary in the maintenance of the roads and presented a petition addressed to the Town of Northfield, asking that the Town take over and maintain the road extending from the intersection of Rustic Way and North Lane, northerly to Carlton Street and thence via Linden Street to Myrtle Street. (Amended)
The report was received and the petition adopted and circulated for the signatures of Association members. The Association gave to Mr. Duncan a vote of thanks for his service.

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Mr. W. H. Giebel, agent of the Association, reported on the rental and sale of cottages during the year. He requested that correspondence from customers whom he had secured during previous years be referred to him.

The following recommendations of the Executive Committee were read by Miss Bruce:

1. That the tax rate remain the same.
2. That the use of the Association's secondary electric wires be denied to those who have not paid the previous year's tax.
3. (Taken care of in the Road Committee's report)
4. " " " " " " " " " " " "
5. That Mr. Giebel be reappointed as the Association's agent.
6. That a Social Committee be added to the Association's committees.
7. That the duties of the Condolence Committee be extended to include friendly and sympathetic services of all kinds to Ridge people, and that a more appropriate name for this committee be adopted.

Recommendations Nos. 1, 2, 5 and 6 were adopted.

The present president of the Association was authorized to appoint a committee of three to consult with the Town Board on the matter of taking over and maintaining the road extending from the intersection of Rustic Way and North Lane, northerly to Carlton Street and thence via Linden Street to Myrtle Street.

The following report of the Nominating Committee was read by Mr. Coles:

There being no other nominations the report of the Nominating Committee was adopted and the secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the Association for the persons nominated.

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The matter of/erresponding with the Northfield Hotel in providing recreation facilities for Ridge residents was referred to the Executive Committee with power to act and to expend not more than Fifty Dollars.

The thanks of the Association were extended to Miss Curtis for her hospitality.

The Association voted its most hearty thanks to Dr. Woodruff for his service as president of the Association.

The association voted to adjourn.



(C. M. Ackerman)
Secretary.

Approved - 8/18/42