

RUSTIC RIDGE ASSOCIATION, INC.

ANNUAL MEETING, AUGUST 14, 1954

The meeting held at the Trinitarian Congregational Church was called to order at 10 A. M. by the President, Mr. John Hann, Jr.

Dr. Bollman opened the meeting with a prayer.

The Clerk, Mr. Hoehn, read the call.

Mr. Hann welcomed Mrs. Josephine Woods, who has purchased the Hamilton Creagar Cottage.

Dr. Chapin moved and Dr. Bollman seconded that the reading of the minutes of the last Annual meeting be dispensed with. Mrs. Jenkins reported that all letters asked for had been written last August.

Miss Curtis was asked to take the chair while the President gave his report.

Mr. Hann said this year's work was a continuation or fulfillment of work based on the fine efforts of his predecessors. All Committees are functioning effectively. The gypsy moth spraying has left our trees quite free of that blight. He drew our attention to the new Directory by Mr. Page and the good task Mr. Scott had done to get us on a cash basis. With the waste removal on a very good schedule, more fire extinguishers in homes (more are needed, however) the job of disk-ing homes with phones and the placing of fire gongs in strategic places in the process, the business of the Ridge is in very good running order.

It was moved by Dr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Poole that the President's report be accepted and made a part of these minutes.

Necrology Committee - Mrs. Anderson, reporting for Dr. Berger, gave the following as members who had passed on this last year: Mrs. Charles Creagar, Mrs. William S. Voorhies, The Reverend Doctor Harris E. Kirk, Reverend John C. Eason, Mrs. Ellis E. Jones and Mrs. Charles C. Woodruff. A moment of silent prayer was observed followed by a benediction by Reverend Parker Holloway.

Treasurer - Mr. Scott's report was read by Mr. Duncan.

Proposed Budget 1954/55 and attending tax rate of 1%

Printing, postage, clerical	\$ 20.
Ridge Representative	50.
Waste Removal	180.
Road Signs and Directory	35.
Corporation Tax	2.
Insect Control	150.
Road Improvements	400.
	<u>\$837.</u>

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Mr. Duncan then read the report of the Auditing Committee. It was moved by Mrs. Schmadeke and seconded by Mrs. Hann that these two reports be accepted. The motion was carried. Mr. Duncan asked for a vote of confidence and gratitude for Mr. Scott for his very fine work. It was so moved by Dr. Bollman and seconded by Dr. Chapin. The motion was carried.

Road Committee - In Mr. Scott's absence Mr. Hann read the Committee report. Heath Lane, ¹⁰¹²⁵widened, drained and graveled; Upper Ledge Way, shoulders strengthened with concrete and given second coating; Footbridge on North Path, repaired; Culvert extentions, deepen drainage ditches and remove brush; the Seminary is to grade the Willows. Last year after meeting, second coat on Mountain Road, Cliff Road and Ledge Way and gutters cleared.

Insect Control - One spraying for gypsy moth and two regular sprayings.

Recreation Committee - Mr. Poole said the picnic had been held on August 11th at Mt. Grace. A teenage supper was held at the Pooles on August 9th. Sugar Loaf Mountain and Laural Lake were suggested for future picnic areas. Also having it during the day rather than the evening was suggested..

Directory Committee - Mr. Page - Sign placed and posts painted. Private Way and Stop signs put up where needed. The Committee suggests the Road name signs be repainted or replaced during this next season.

Waste Removal - The present one collection a week in June and September and two a week in July and August is pleasing all. The Committee suggestion is that the September 28th collection be made as soon after October 12th as possible, as many plan to be up for that holiday.

It was moved by Dr. Bollman and seconded by Reverend Holloway that the Committee reports be accepted. *CARRIED*

Nominating Committee - Dr. Chapin read the slate as follows -

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

RUSTIC RIDGE ASSOCIATION

August 14, 1954 - Officers and Committees for 1954-55

President:	John Hann, Jr.
Vice President:	Reverend Thomas Kidd
Treasurer:	Clarence Scott, Jr.
Clerk:	William Hoehn
Assistant Clerk:	Miss Alice Lane
DIRECTORS:	C. J. Broadhead '55
	Miss Maude Curtis '55
	Reverend Mark Ray '56
	Reverend Henry McKnight '56

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It was moved by Mr. Duncan and seconded by Dr. Jones that this slate of Officers and Directors be accepted and the Secretary cast one ballot for the slate. The motion was carried.

Dr. Chapin then read the list of Committees -

COMMITTEES:

ROAD:	Mr. Walter Chapin Mr. John Hann, Jr. Mr. Frank Harmon
TREES:	Mr. George Loos, Ch. Mr. Fred Trasher Reverend Parker Holloway
RECREATION:	Reverend Thomas Kidd Reverend George Washburn
INSECT CONTROL:	Mrs. John Hann, Jr.
SANITATION:	Mrs. John Schmadeke Mr. William Hoehn
DIRECTORY & SIGNS:	Mr. Kenneth Page Mr. William Hoehn
NECROLOGY:	Mrs. William Anderson, Ch. Dr. McIntire

It was moved by Dr. Bollman and seconded by Mr. Duncan that the Committees be referred to the Board for ratification and appointment. The motion was carried.

It was moved by Mr. Poole and seconded by Miss Curtis that a letter of thanks be sent Reverend Reeves for the use of the Church. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Anderson spoke of the Red Spider Mite on the hemlocks and Mrs. Jenkins of the Wooly Aphis on the pines. It was moved by Dr. Chapin and seconded by Dr. Bollman that this matter be referred to the Board and that the Insect Control and Tree Committees work together on it.

The President asked that police slips be signed and sent to the State Police at Shelburne Falls, that dogs be leashed according to a town ordinance and cats belled. He asked that owners cut the brush back three feet from the Lanes as requested in a motion at previous Annual meeting. Mr. Hann also asked that any change of address be sent to Mr. Hoehn.

The President said two cottages were for sale - Miss Jackson's, 32 Wood Way and the one at 63 Heath Lane. He also spoke of those who were ill and asked us to remember them:

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Dr. Joseph Peacock, Miss Carrie Arnold, Reverend and Mrs. Des Jardens
Miss Theresa Simar, ~~Miss~~ Stella Chamberlain, Miss Martha Strippel
and Mrs. A. S. Townsend.

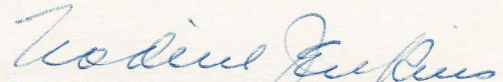
Because of the absence of Mr. Broadhead, Mr. Hann demonstrated the new fire alarm and offered to take the orders for those wishing one at \$2.00 each.

Several ideas came from the floor namely - Telephone booths in place of the boxes on the poles - clearing the paths and view at Garnet Rock - and clearing the poison ivy around the big turn on North Lane. These were referred to the Board.


There being no further business to come before the meeting Dr. Bollman led the singing of "Blessed Be The Tie That Binds" and gave the benediction.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 A. M.

Signed:



Nadine Jenkins, Assistant Clerk



W. F. Hoehn, Clerk

MINUTES
DIRECTORS' MEETING

RUSTIC RIDGE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Held Aug. 28, 1954, 10:30 A.M. at the home of John Hann, Jr.
President.

Present:	John Hann, Jr.	President
	W. F. Hoehn	Clerk
	Miss Alice Lane	Asst. Clerk
	Mr. C. J. Broadhead	Director
	Miss Maude Curtis	"
	Rev. Mark Ray	"

President Hann called the meeting to order and it was opened with a prayer by Rev. Ray.

Minutes of Directors' Meeting held July 31, 1954, were approved as read.

Minutes of the Annual meeting of August 14, 1954, were read.

A discussion ensued on the shipping of fire alarm signals to Mr. Hoehn for distribution to the residents next season, and it was moved by Mr. Hoehn, seconded by Miss Curtis, and carried, that Mr. Scott the Treasurer, be authorized to pay the bill for twenty (20) fire signals, which will be reimbursed by individuals when sold.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that in view of the anticipated tax revision of the taxes of the town properties, and in the event a meeting is called, the President be authorized to attend and represent the Association.

A discussion was had on trees to be planted from Highland Avenue to Birnam Road and that they be extended to Rustic Ridge entrance just below First Ridge.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the President investigate the problem of various insects and blights affecting our trees.

It was moved and seconded that the matter of improving the view from Garnet Rock be tabled.


It was moved and seconded that the spraying for Gypsy Moth be left up to the President for such future action as he deems necessary.

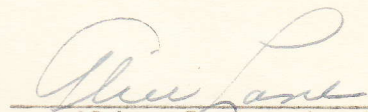
Mr. Hoehn was asked to investigate the possibility of obtaining public telephone booths instead of the boxes and report later

A discussion was had on the poison ivy problem at the big turn on North Lane and it was suggested the committee refer the matter to the town officials and any action by them to be reported at the next meeting.

A discussion was had on the entrance sign to Rustic Ridge and it was suggested an arrow should be painted thereon pointing to location of cottages. It was also suggested a luminous sign be obtained to replace the present old one at Birnam Road.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same, upon motion, adjourned.


W. F. Hoehn, Clerk.


Alice Lane, Asst. Clerk