

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Rustic Ridge Association, Inc.
held Tuesday, August 12th, 1958 at the Trinitarian Congregational Church
of East Northfield.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 P.M. by the Clerk, Mr. William F. Hoehn
in the absence of the President, Rev. Mark Ray and Vice Pres. Rev. John Moore.

Prayer was offered by Rev. G. Gordon Parker.

Call for meeting was read by the clerk, Mr. William F. Hoehn.

The Assistant Clerk, Miss Gertrude Lauber expressed in behalf of the President
his deep regret at not being present at the meeting due to the sudden death
of Mrs. Ray's father.

Rev. Parker B. Holloway was nominated as chairman pro-tem of the meeting.

Word of greeting was expressed to new members, Mr. & Mrs. Harold McGrath
who purchased the Bollerman Cottage; Mr. & Mrs. Earl H. Loomis who purchased
the McIntire Cottage; and Mr. O. F. Larson who purchased the McKnight Cottage.
A word of welcome was also extended to Mr. G. Weldon who was renting the
Bollman cottage.

After the reading of the minutes by the assistant clerk, motion was duly
made and seconded to accept the same and place on file.

Report of President:- Rev. Holloway read the following report of the President:-

"By the goodness and the grace of God we are back in the familiar haunts
of Northfield, enjoying the beauty of the scenery and the fellowship of friends.
As members of the Rustic Ridge Association we come to our annual meeting with
grateful hearts for the many blessings that we enjoy here and truly we can
say, "the good hand of our God has been upon us."

Because of the faithful work of the officers, the board of directors, and
the committees, the job of the president has been an easy one. I wish to
express at this meeting my sincere appreciation to all who have done so well
the tasks assigned to them. We are grateful that Mr. Hoehn has continued
his interest in the affairs of the Ridge and has kept the president informed
on important matters. Ruth Card has been an efficient treasurer as her report
will reveal. To Gertrude Lauber goes a special word of thanks for mimeographing
and sending out the president's letter. Now, with this word of appreciation
I am not going to steal their thunder by reporting on the accomplishments of
the year. The reports will be given by them and to them goes the credit for
work accomplished.

Since most of us are here for vacation and relaxation we desire to get
away from the numerous responsibilities and duties that we carry during the
year. To this end we are all aware of the fact that as each shares in the
common responsibilities of the Association the work of all will be lighter
and the enjoyment greater. We are not an organization with hard and fast rules
but we have from time to time made suggestions and adopted recommendations
which we feel are for the benefit of all in our summer colony. One suggestion
which seems to come up at each directors meeting recently is that each property
owner keep the brush and branches cut back at least three feet from the road.
As we keep talking about it more and more the suggestion is taking hold and
the roads are being cleared by the property owners themselves. In this way
each is sharing the responsibility of beautifying the Ridge and making it a
safer place for cars and children. The directors and officers appreciate this
cooperation. As another item of safety it has been suggested that property
owners check the tops of their cesspools for these sometimes rot and become
danger spots. May we suggest that the revised list of recommendations sent

out last year be read at the beginning of each season.

We are indeed happy to welcome new families to the Ridge and we hope that they will feel at home among us and come to love both the people and the place as we do.

Mark S.M. Ray, President."

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to receive this report.

Necrology Committee:- Mrs. Helen R. Anderson reported the following members and friends who passed away during the year - Mr. Merrill B. Keith and Miss Maude B. Curtis also Mrs. Frances Phelps Otte who passed away in 1956.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Parker Holloway.

Auditing Committee:- Mr. Thomas Duncan reported that the books of the treasurer had been examined and found records all in good order, very well kept and all correct.

Treasurer's Report:- Miss Ruth Card reported a balance on hand of \$911.20 with no accounts payable as of July 31, 1958.

(Copy of report attached to these minutes)

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to accept this report and place on file.

Road Committee:- Dr. Francis L. Jones reported that during the past year East Lane and Wood Way had been resurfaced with asphalt. Much needed patching had been done on Pine Road, Cliff Road, Ledge Way, etc. Culverts and ditches were cleaned in the fall and spring to protect the shoulders of the road. A new culvert was installed at the intersection of Wood Way and Ledge Way to eliminate the "lake" that formed in the spring.

Tentative plans for the coming year call for resurfacing of two more roads, the usual patching and cleaning, the installation of a culvert, and gravelling on three ridges.

The past year marks the first year that road construction has been done by private contract. Mr. Frank Anderson of Northfield did the work.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to accept this report.

Tree and Safety Committee:- Mr. C.J. Broadhead gave a report outlining the following safety measures - 1, Connect hose to outside water faucet 2, Check fire extinguisher 3, Hang out fire alarm 4, Open all dampers.

It was reported that the Fire Warden was appalled at the amount of underbrush on the Ridge. Underbrush is a fire hazard and a nuisance. Members urged to cut brush and thin out crowded trees.

Driving slowly is very important to safety.

Stumps and rocks too close to road should be painted white.

Suggestions to directors - 1. Remove large rock on last curve at bottom of hill on North Lane.

2. Virginia Camp should be removed or destroyed. It is a temptation and fire hazard.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to accept this report.

Insect Control - Miss Ruth Card read a report from Miss Alta Hale stating that two sprayings were given the Ridge area this summer, one in June and the other in July.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to accept this report.

Road Signs and Directory:- Miss Ruth Card read a report from Mr. Kenneth Page stating that proper signs are prepared and placed in position to guide all visitors. Streets are also marked with signs and all signs are taken down during the winter months. Large glass directory was moved back and new roadway so constructed as to allow automobiles to drive in for observation.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to receive this report.

Sanitation Committee:- Mrs. Bessie B. Schmadeke reported that Mr. Rogers had been hired to collect our garbage and his work has been satisfactory. Time of collections were made for one during June and September each week and two each week during July and August with a final collection in October.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to approve and receive this report.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to adopt the Proposed Budget for 1958-1959.

(Proposed Budget included in Treasurer's Report on separate sheet)

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED that the Active Members' Dues of Rustic Ridge Association, Inc. for the year 1958-1959 be 1% of the Town Valuation for 1958.

Nominating Committee:- Mrs. C.J. Broadhead gave the following report:-

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| President | - Mr. Arthur Parker, Jr. |
| Vice Pres. | - Rev. Parker B. Holloway |
| Treasurer | - Miss Ruth Card |
| Clerk | - Miss Gertrude Lauber |
| * Ass't Clerk | - " " " |
| Directors | - Mrs. Helen R. Anderson |
| | - Mrs. Robert Heydenreich |
| | Dr. Francis L. Jones |
| | Dr. Walter B. Chapin |

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED that report be received, nominations be closed and clerk to cast one ballot.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED that the following members be asked to serve on various committees.
(List of committees on separate sheet)

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to ask president to hold annual meeting on Saturday afternoon next year.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to extend our thanks and appreciation to Mrs. Anderson for serving refreshments today.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED that the clerk send a letter to Congregational Church thanking them for the use of their building to hold our annual meeting.

Mrs. Gordon Poole mentioned again the possibility of the Ridge taking over some of their land to build a road from the 7th to 6th Ridge.

It was suggested that this be brought before the Board of Directors for their re-consideration.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, motion made and carried that we adjourn. (4:00 P.M.)

Rev. Parker B. Holloway closed the meeting with word of prayer.

Respectfully submitted

Bertude Lamber
Clerk

* Nominating Committee recommended that Board of Directors change our By-Laws to abolish office of Assistant Clerk.

(37 present 27 cottages)