

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Rustic Ridge Association, Inc., held Saturday, August 5, 1972 at 2:00 P.M. at the Auditorium of the Northfield Schools.

Meeting was called to order by the President, Dr. Walter C. Chapin.

Dr. Charles Crain opened the meeting with prayer.

The call of the meeting was read by the clerk, Miss Gertrude Lauber.

At this time the president welcomed Dr. & Mrs. Harnard, who purchased the L'Hommedieu cottage.

The courtesy of the floor was extended to Mr. Brian Scott, Chief of Police in Northfield and also Fire Chief, Mr. Clesson Field. They gave a resume of the duties and availability of the Police Department and Fire Department to Ridge residents.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Report of the President: Dr. Chapin gave a summary of the work accomplished during the year, thanking all officers and directors as well as committee members for their faithful services in behalf of the progress of the Ridge. A few of the highlights mentioned were:- Mail delivery is being enjoyed by residents on the Ridge desiring same; the "F I S H" organization is on hand to help anyone in need by calling Ray Thompson; the Discretionary Fund is still open for donations; the Guidelines of the Ridge should be posted in each cottage. It was noted that Miss Dorothy Doremus cottage is for sale.

Report of Clerk: Miss Gertrude Lauber reported that the President's letter was mimeographed and mailed to all members, all meeting notices were sent out. All correspondence was done as directed by the Board of Directors. The Ridge Guidelines are being distributed to each cottage.

Report of Ridge Representative:- Mr. Edward M. Powell reported that he checked the Ridge several times during the year. Mention was made of the town playground program which any children from the Ridge can take part. Those who use the Northfield Schools tennis courts were reminded that a donation for the upkeep of the courts would be appreciated by Dr. Howard Jones. Should anyone need the services of the Police Chief call 498-5509.

Auditing Committee: Mr. John Hann reported that the treasurer's books had been audited and found in excellent order.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Frank Williams reported a balance on hand of \$1530.89 with no accounts payable as of July 31, 1972.

(copy of report attached to these minutes)

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to accept reports of all officers.

Road Committee: Dr. Francis L. Jones reported that 4 ridges were oiled and stoned, Glen Road, Woodway, Oak Terrace, and upper section of Willow Lane. Gravel was laid on the road leading to the Crain cottage. Ditches and culverts were cleaned and repairs made on East Lane and the lower edge of Ledge Way. Cost was \$1050.00.

Insect Control: Mrs. Lucy Hann reported that two sprayings were done this year, one the end of May and one July 19th. The cost per spraying was \$85.00 this year.

Sanitation Committee: Miss Jeannette Townsend reported that Ted Powell made the arrangements with Mr. Gardner Hudson to collect our garbage at a cost of \$330.00 for 30 collections.



Road Signs and Directory:- Rev. Kenneth Page reported that the name signs were put in place. The Directory map was brought up to date and the frame given a new coat of paint. Plans are still under way to purchase and install steel posts and make new name signs. Thanks is expressed to John Hann, 3rd for his efficient help in putting up the signs.

Historical Committee:- Mrs. George Loos reported that according to plans of 1970 a sub-committee has been formed of which Mr. Loomis is chairman. It is estimated that by 1974 the Ridge History will be rewritten and approximate cost for printing will be ready for consideration by the Board of Directors and a recommendation made to the members at the 1974 Or 1975 Annual Meeting.

Necrology Committee:- Miss Jane Swanson reported with deep regret the passing of five of our members during the past year - Mr. Charles M. Cooper, Miss Carolyn Curtis, Miss Marion L'Hommedieu, Mr. Louis Leiman and Mrs. Earl Loomis. In tribute of these departed friends a moment of silent prayer and then audible prayer was offered by Dr. Francis L. Jones.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to accept reports of all committees.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to adopt the Budget for 1972-73 as recommended and presented by the Board of Directors (copy attached to these minutes)

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED that the taxes of the Active Members be \$23.00 per cottage for the year 1972-73.

Nominating Committee:- Mr. C.J. Broadhead presented the following slate of Officers and Directors -

- President - Mr. Theodore Denise
- Vice President - Mr. David Powell
- Treasurer - Mr. Frank Williams
- Clerk - Miss Gertrude Lauber
- Asst. Clerk - Mr. Edward M. Powell, Jr.
- Directors - Miss Muriel Devin (Term Expires 1973)
- Dr. Francis L. Jones " " "
- Mrs. Hoyt Chapin " " 1974
- Rev. Kenneth Page " " "
- Mrs. Norman Stanhope " " 1975
- Mr. George Thomas " " "

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED that the report of Nominating Committee be accepted, nominations be closed, and the clerk to cast one ballot.

The Nominating Committee then presented the slate of committees for the next year. (List of committees attached to these minutes) VOTED that list of committees be referred to Board of Directors for ratification and approval.

Upon motion being duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED that the Board of Directors review the By-Laws, make recommendations and include them with the President's letter.

There being no further business to come before the meeting motion was made to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gertrude Lauber*  
Clerk