

The Annual Meeting of the Rustic Ridge Association, Inc. was held on Saturday, August 8, 1987 at 10.00 a.m. in the Music Hall of the Northfield Schools.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. David England. Mrs. David England opened the meeting with prayer.

The call of the meeting was read by the Clerk.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Report of President:- Mr. David England stated that our modest but adequate governmental system appears to be working smoothly. Our committees are performing their respective responsibilities which you will hear. Thanks was extended to all who contributed their part in making our community a happier place to live.

Two special committees were appointed:- 1. An Ad hoc Advisory Committee to Study Expansion and Possible Reincorporation of the Ridge Association. The committee will assemble all relevant facts associated with reincorporating our association and expand long beyond our present boundaries to include additional properties and owners. They will report to the Board next year so that an intelligent recommendation can be made at the Annual Meeting as to what steps, if any, should be taken. (Mr. Parker, Chmn., Mfs. Trish White, Mr. George Marston and others to be appointed by Mr. Parker.)

2. A special committee to study the source of damage to our roads done by snowplowing during the winter so that those living year round can gain access to their properties. They will report to the Board with recommendations as to what can be done in bearing the cost of repairs.

Property owners are reminded to trim dead limbs and trees to prevent heavy damage caused by severe winter weather.

Mass. law requires towns to reassess all properties every three years and this will be done this year.

Report of Clerk:- Miss Gertrude Lauber reported that all business meetings were attended and recorded. Changes of address were recorded and copies given to the treasurer and ridge representative. A resume of the Annual Meeting and "Important Information" sheets were xeroxed and placed at each cottage. All necessar correspondence was taken care of. Other actions were taken for the smooth running of our Association.

Ridge Representative:- Mr. Ed Finch reported a relatively quiet year for both the Ridge and the Town. A late heavy snowfall took down several trees and caused damage to one cottage. Travel on the Ridge during the winter was much less than prior years. The police force has been patrolling the roads, particularly on week-ends which has discouraged parties and the like.

As to reassessing of properties - we will be informed as to the firm doing the survey and the means of contacting them.

Thank you for your trust. I am enjoying the friendships that have been and are developing over the years. God bless you all.

Auditing Committee:- Mr. Arthur Parker reported that on August 6, 1987 the Committee reviewed the Treasurer's books and records of Receipts and Disbursements and bank statements for the Ridge Association. All records were in balance and maintained in a very fine manner.

Treasurer's Report:- Mr. Warren Snyder reported a balance on hand of \$3,664.42.
(Copy of this report attached to these minutes.)

VOTED to accept all Officers reports as presented.

Road Committee:- Mr. William Thompson reported that in May our roads were swept with the exception of West Lane and Cliff Road due to being narrow. Mr. Bob Deane was hired to do some necessary repairing on Cliff Road, East Lane and Wood Way, at the cost of \$1500.00.

Thanks was expressed to Bob Huber who assisted in clearing the triangle at corner of North Lane and Woodruff Way, also cutting overhanging and encroaching tree branches on several of our roads.

The Town placed several posts across Woodruff Way at Cozy Cabin where ledge drops off sharply.

Insect Control:- Mr. Eugene Baudouin reported that two insect control sprayings were done by Mr. Lanoue - one on June 15th and other early July. Pellets were placed on swampy areas.

Sanitation Committee:- Miss Gertrude Lauber stated that Mr. Charles Hewitt was contracted to collect our garbage for \$600.00. He has been doing an excellent job.

The committee asked our residents to recycle newspapers and bottles to help lessen the amount of waste to be disposed of by the Town. Two waste removal schedules were delivered to each cottage due to the change of dates and times by the Town when the dump is open.

Road Signs and Directory:- Mr. Robert Brown reported that John Hann, 3rd did his usual good job of taking down and putting up the road signs and Directory. The signs seem to be in good condition. No new signs were painted this year.

Security Committee:- Mr. Robert Huber reported that vandalism on the Ridge was at an all time low. We were saddened by the fact that the safety mirror was stolen again. Some trees came down from a bad snow and wind storm which also took down electric wires at two cottages. Two cottages were found with doors or windows open - nothing seemed out of order so secured said cottages.

Thanks was expressed to Bill Thompson, Stephanie Lawson, Michael Hanrahan, David Sines and Ed Finch for their help in checking cottages.

Necrology Committee:- Mrs. Bernice Rubyor reported two deaths during the last year - Mr. George Loos on Nov. 22, 1986 and Mr. Todd Denise on Jan. 4, 1987. Appropriate cards of sympathy were sent to respective families from the Ridge.

VOTED to accept all committee reports as presented.

The Board of Directors recommended the Budget for 1987-88.

VOTED to adopt the Budget as presented and recommended by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors recommended that the Active Members' dues for 1987-88 be \$40.00 per cottage and Associate Members' \$4.00 per person.

VOTED to approve the members' dues as recommended by the Board of Directors.

Nominating Committee:- Mrs. Lucia Powell presented the following slate of

Officers and Directors :-

President -	David England		
Vice Pres. -	Frances Pearson		
Treasurer -	Warren Snyder		
Clerk -	Gertrude Lauber		
Directors -	Carol Santos	Term Expires	1988
	Walton Brush	" "	1988
	Estelle Heydenreich	" "	1989
	Theodore Denise	" "	1989
	Bernice Rubyor	" "	1990
	Dr. Lucy Hann	" "	1990

Voted to accept the report, nominations be closed and Clerk to cast one ballot.

The Nominating Committee presented a list of recommended committees for the year.

- Road Committee - Henry Longley, Chmn.
George Marston
William Whitney
- Sanitation - Gertrude Lauber, Chmn.
Floyd Rusk
- Road Signs and - Robert Brown, Chmn.
Directory John Hamm 3rd
- Insect Control - Eugene Baudouin, Chmn.
John Hamm, Jr.
- Necrology - Bernice Rubyor

VOTED that the list of committees be referred to the Board of Dorectors for ratification anddappointment.

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

Mrs. Evalyn Page closed the meeting with prayer.

Gertrude Lauber
Clerk