Annual Meeting Rustic Ridge Association, Inc. August 7, 1993 - 10:00 a.m.

The meeting opened with prayer led by Warren Snyder.

Those present welcomed Jacqueline and Bob Whitney, new members attending the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Ed Burdick. It was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1992 annual meeting as everyone had received a copy. The minutes were accepted as written and distributed.

A proposal to deliver mail to lock boxes at the bottom of the Ridge rather than to individual cottages was presented by Postmistress Cheryl Richmond. The consensus of those present in discussion following the presentation was that the Board should check with others receiving mail on the Ridge first, but to let Ms. Richmond know that the present arrangement is preferable.

Reports of Officers

President - Ed Burdick thanked Joyce King and Dick Young, whose terms as directors were expiring, for their three years of service on the Board.

Treasurer - Lucia Powell presented an analysis of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1993, and reported a closing balance of \$7,335.60. Auditor Warren Snyder confirmed that he had reviewed the financial records and that they were in order and the Treasurer's report was correct.

There was a question regarding the level of interest received on money held in the Ridge account. Although the balance is relatively small, it is usually not needed on short notice and could be better invested. The matter was referred to the Board for consideration.

Ridge Representative - Ted Powell was not present, but telephone stickers he had obtained with the number to call in an emergency (772-2133) were distributed to those present. It was noted that others wishing stickers could obtain them from the Hospitality Committee.

It was voted to accept the reports.

Reports of Committees

Road Maintenance Committee - Henry Longley reported that the roads were in fairly good condition, as the heavy winter snows prevented early spring driving. Repairs were made on Wood Way, East Lane and Heath Lane. Henry's report reminded members to clear the brush from at least three feet next to the roads along their property, and urged all to help neighbors that might have difficulty in doing so.

Recycling Committee - Donna and George Thomas reported that Mr. Hewitt had agreed to collect the trash this summer, including that of associate members in the Linden Avenue area, for a 10% increase in his fee.

Road Signs and Directory Committee - Warren Snyder reported for chairman Lucy Ellen Livingston that signs were up to date, except for the anticipated renumbering of cottages to conform to emergency 911 requirements.

Surveillance Committee - No report.

Hospitality Committee - Marilyn Williams reported that distribution of welcoming information packets to new members was being accomplished, and that most previous members has received theirs. She requested that anyone who has not received one should contact her.

Memorial Committee - Estelle Heydenreich reported for Elaine Harned that during the year William Thompson, Dorothy Noble, Ralph L. Elkins, Beatrice Rubyor and Richard Neuendorffer had died. She asked that a moment of silence be observed in remembrance of them.

It was voted to accept all the committee reports. Ed Burdick asked that members learning of a death should contact Elaine or the president so that the Association can take appropriate action.

Budget for 1993-1994

The Budget for the 1993-4 fiscal year (attached) was reviewed by the Treasurer and approved.

It was voted to leave dues for the year at \$40 per cottage, with associate members paying \$4 per person and \$10 per cottage for trash collection.

Water

Ed Burdick reported that meters had been installed, and that cottage owners can expect a one time invoice of about \$70 from the East Northfield Water Company for this work. He reminded those present that annual invoices for a pro-rata share of Ridge water use and a \$60 system start up/shut down fee should be sent to each owner with access to the system after it is shut down in the fall.

David Powell responded to a number of questions relating to the establishment of the charges and their equity in comparison to those of the year-round and other users of the system. Those present thanked Dave for the effort he made and the results he achieved over the winter on their behalf.

New Cottage Street Numbers

A listing prepared by the Town of Northfield of new cottage street numbers was distributed. The numbers were assigned under the 911 system to allow emergency vehicles to locate cottages easily. Ed Burdick noted that a letter would be sent by the

Town to each cottage owner informing him/her of the new number and instructing that the number be prominently displayed so as to be visible from the street. He pointed out that only cottages were being renumbered, not lot designations.

Several errors were noted on the listing. It was suggested that those present contact the Town directly if their cottage number is incorrect or shown on the wrong street. Arrangements will be made so that a member not present who receives an incorrect listing will be instructed in the letter form Northfield to notify the Town so that the listing can be corrected. An updated listing should be available for circulation to the cottage owners and the Sign Committee prior to next summer.

Linden Avenue Area Membership Request

Patricia White reported on the status of the request for full Association membership made at the last Annual Meeting by Linden Avenue cottage owners. She noted that subject to resolution of a problem related to maintenance of the road, the Board recommends a change to the Association By-Laws, probably at next year's annual meeting, so as to offer regular membership to the cottage owners on Linden Avenue and to two other nearby cottages. Trish pointed out that while these cottages are not on property originally included in the Association, in all other respects the owners have been looked upon by members and by the Town of Northfield as Rustic Ridge residents through the years. With regard to the road, she noted that the interested parties have been given the option of arranging to upgrade the road to Ridge standards or membership without road maintenance.

No action was requested or taken, but the consensus of those present was that there was no objection to proceeding along these lines.

Nominating Committee

A proposed slate of officers and directors (see attached sheet) was presented by Chairman John Hahn. It was voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for those nominated by the Committee.

An updated directory prepared by David Berger was distributed. Any corrections should be given to Lucia Powell or Ed Burdick.

Warren Snyder suggest that a moment of silent thanks be observed, and the meeting was subsequently adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Merelice England (mc)
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Clerk of the Meeting

Rustic Ridge Association

Officers and Directors

Title Name

President Ed Burdick

Treasurer Lucia Powell

Clerk Margaret Conner

Directors Merelice England

Deborah Samet

Warren Snyder

Patricia White

Jon Heydenreich

Kenneth Hoff