

**Rustic Ridge Association
Board Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, April 29, 2020, 7:00 P.M. EST
Teleconference

Attendance – Margie Conner, Martha Schoonover, Barbara Walker, Doug Denise, Lisa White, Bill Young, Leesa Campbell, Linda Glover, Lindsey Lack, Bob Ziegenhagen, Doug Southard, Anne Yarnell, Jean Bubriski. Guests: Carol Ziegenhagen and Lucy Livingston

Covid Lifestyle Update – Board Members gave brief reflections about their lives under the Covid-19 “stay at home” isolations. We acknowledged the sad passing of our friend Alan Abel and we send our sympathies to his family.

Minutes - Minutes from the January 27, 2020 Board Meeting were approved.

Financial Reserve Status – Doug Denise, Treasurer, summarized our financial status. The Rustic Ridge Association’s bank balance is currently \$33,296.60, an historically high sum. Dues and contributions received year-to-date (8/1/19 - 4/29/20):

- Dues have been paid for 49 cottages (42 Active Members - 5 paid for 2 cottages, 1 paid for 3 cottages). Total received = \$7,350.
- There are 12 (+/-) additional Active Member (cottage) payments expected - uncertain of Association participation of two new owners.
- Dues have been received for 25 Associate Members. Total received = \$1,000.
- Total Member dues payments received = \$8,350.
- Contributions (for reserve fund) received = \$1,610.
- Total revenue received = \$9,960.

In regard to the Association’s Federal Tax-Exempt Status, we received a letter from the IRS, dated March 16, 2020, acknowledging receipt of Doug’s application to regain our federal tax-exempt status. The IRS pledges to respond within 90 days if the application is sufficient as submitted, or 180 days if not.

Lucy Hann Livingston will drop by the cottages of new residents to greet them and encourage them to join the Rustic Ridge Association. Margie Conner thanked her and encouraged all Board members to welcome new cottage owners.

Town Covid-19 Policy – Margie reviewed a letter from Andrea Llamas, the Northfield Town Administrator concerning Ridge compliance with State and Town Covid-19 policies. It was noted that the tone of the letter was quite positive reassuring us that, as outsiders, we would still be welcome. The board had several questions concerning

implications of these rules; Margie Conner will connect with the Town Administrator to get more information.

Social Activities - The Board discussed summer social events and agreed that the activities in the early summer would have to be cancelled or significantly altered to reduce person to person contact. We discussed the potential of using Zoom / Skype for meetings and social events and possibly including Ridge members back home. Jean Bubriski will lead the social committee to reassess and possibly restructure previously planned / new events.

Lucy Livingston announced that sufficient funds were raised to recondition the tennis courts again for 2020. Social distancing can be maintained on the courts.

The meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM Eastern Time.

Submitted by Bob Ziegenhagen, Clerk.
April 30, 2020