

Rustic Ridge Board Meeting
August 5, 2006

The Board Meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Bob Ziegenhagen.

Issues discussed:

Dick Young will write to the town notifying them that we would like to participate in the decision regarding use of the NMH land adjoining the Rustic Ridge property.

MK Merelice brought a 1902 deed restriction on her property relating to payment for the roads based upon square footage of her cottage. Since the Rustic Ridge Association was established later to maintain the roads, the Board agreed the restriction was no longer in effect.

Merelice questioned the status of the Ridge's historical status. Adrian Hawkinson has been instrumental in getting the information for the Ridge to obtain its place on the National Register of Historic Places. The Historical Society of Northfield will help with the paperwork.

Distressed properties

There is a mound of trash in the back yard of Evergreen Cottage. There are several cottages that are in need of care. Adrian Hawkinson has checked with the Building Dept. of Northfield regarding several cottages. The building inspector will take another look. The Health Department has also been notified since animals and rodents have been frequenting the area. The Board agreed that a process of evaluation for distressed properties should be established and updated yearly. Adrian Hawkinson and Sharie Broadhead will work to establish such. The first step would be to write a letter including pictures to the owners describing our concerns. If the situation is the cause of immediate danger to health or may cause injury, the appropriate town agencies will be notified. If town agencies do not respond and the homeowner does not take responsibility, the Ridge Association should take appropriate action at the owner's expense.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharie Broadhead