



Board Meeting Minutes – Saturday, August 6, 2005

The meeting of the executive board was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Bob Ziegenhagen.

1) The 2005-2006 board members are:

- Bob Ziegenhagen – President
- Kurt Nelson – Vice President
- Sharie Broadhead – Clerk
- Lucia Powell – Treasurer
- Adrienne Hawkinson – Director, Class of 2006
- Ted Denise – Director, Class of 2007
- Dick Young, Director, Class of 2007
- Alan Able, Director, Class of 2007
- Chris Martin, Director, Class of 2008
- Elaine Harned, Director, Class of 2008
- Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Hawkinson, and Mr. Martin were unable to attend.

2) Mr. Ziegenhagen announced that communication during the winter will be via email and fax.

3) Mr. Ziegenhagen asked board members to express their concerns regarding the Ridge in order to help the board set priorities.

4) Roads:

- i) The roads are seasonal and to assure proper action the following committee was appointed: Bob Ziegenhagen, Dick Young, and Jim Broadhead. (See July 23, 2005 Board meeting minutes.)
- ii) Alan Able reported the spring rains had destroyed 300 feet at the north end of Wood Way and part of the Willows Road. Tommy Walker, head of the Northfield Public Works department, had been notified regarding the town roads. Alan's estimate from Steve Wiggins to repair the Ridge Roads for 2005-6 was \$ 6930. Discussion on the extent of repairs and how to pay for it ended with the Board agreeing to an assessment for members. Upon further study Dick Young interpreted the bylaws as requiring a vote by the membership for an assessment. An appeal for voluntary contributions will be sent with the annual dues notice. A complete road report is filed with the clerk.

- 5) Welcoming and Community Activities: The Board agreed there needed to be a greater effort to welcome new residents to the Ridge and to have more community activities. Suggestions included:
- i) Calling on new neighbors with printed information about Ridge history, offerings—
 - ii) social, services like garbage pick-up, responsibilities such as roads and serenity, membership application.
 - iii) More organized community activities. Possible programs involve speaker, music, trips. Sports aspects-tennis, golf, hiking. Young adult and guest weekends. Remember weekend visitors.
 - iv) Committee appointed: Dona Thomas, Lucia Powell, and Charlotte Martin
 - v) Communications: Lucia Powell would like to see the website expanded. Bob Z encouraged people to send him news.
- 6) Conservancy: Dick Young voiced concern regarding open space owned by Northfield School that surrounded the Ridge and will try to keep the Board apprised of the situation.
- 7) Previous Board minutes had reviewed Historical Designation (Adrienne Hawkinson) and Town Relationship(Kurt Nelson) as areas of concern.
- 8) The Board designated its 2005 community contribution to the Dickinson Library, Northfield.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharie Broadhead