

RUSTIC RIDGE ASSOCIATION, INC.
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
August 4, 2001--10 A.M.
John Voorhies, President, Presiding

CALL TO THE MEETING was read as follows: The meeting of the Rustic Ridge Association will be held on August 4, 2001 at the Trinitarian Congregational Church to conduct business and celebrate the 100th year of the community of Rustic Ridge.

The President opened the meeting with an Historic Prayer.

It was **Moved, Seconded and Passed** to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of 8/90, since they had been mailed to the membership.

New members and first time attendees at the Annual Meeting were introduced.

Reports of the Officers:

The President gave an overview of the "state of the Ridge" on this 100th Anniversary of our summer colony. He reported on the roads and special work projects for road maintenance, singling out the "Willows", discussed property maintenance and garbage and mentioned that the History of the Ridge (thanks to Dave Powell and Margaret Conner) would be available for viewing in # 1 West Lane, newly designated "Centennial Cottage". He closed his report saying "This little governmental body has deepened my attachment to the Ridge."

Auditor: Ed Burdick reported that the financial books were scrutinized and approved.

Treasurer: Total revenues for the year were \$15,817.25. Extra money was collected for the celebration of the 100th Anniversary. (Detailed report attached. There followed a discussion of where our charitable contributions should be sent this year. We have a rotating list and the Senior Center and the Library had risen to the top of the list, but the Survival Center received the membership's support. The decision is to be left to the Board.

Centennial Committee Charlotte Martin, Chair announced the events for which all had received notice, adding the Flag Pole Dedication after the Annual Meeting in the Large Garden on North Lane. It has been erected with the flag and plaque given by the Hawkinsons in memory of Arthur Parker, a former President of the Ridge Association. Charlotte thanked all those who worked toward making this a "grand affair"! (Report in Files)

Road Committee Both Elber Stearns and Alan Abel (ELAL) reported on the various aspects of the six roads that were repaired either with Macadam, Trap Rock Grounds or by installing Water Diverters. Extra money has been given for this purpose and more will be needed to protect our roads and our cars. They have 12 additional projects on their list of "to do" items which will cost about \$5,325. (Report in files).

Seasonal Use Covenant: Bob Caruthers brought us up to date on how many of the Covenants have been signed (20) and some of the questions and answers that cottage owners have posed about the signing of the Covenants. M.K. Merilice spoke against signing the Covenant because of it's seemingly discriminatory wording and Trish White spoke in explanation of what it was designed to do and its impact on roads, sewage, etc. Call Bob if you have more questions about this process for protecting Ridge property.

Road Signs: While Lucy Livingston had not arrived, as yet, it was reported that she had added the Krichko's new sign and urged anyone who needed a new sign to contact her.

Necrology and Memorials: Elaine Harned reported that Members, David Berger and former members, Ruth Keith and Marjorie Swindell were called to their eternal rest this past year. She passed out a sheet showing the list of Memorial Books given to the Dickinson Library since we started this program, and invited people to add people from before the program was initiated, if they wished.

Gardens: Dave and Lucia Powell asked for people to donate perennials and also money for a shed in which to keep tools and equipment.

Security: Bob Huber reported that there were no break-ins this winter. He was thanked for his vigilance on our behalf.

Ridge Representative: Ken Hoff reported that the assessed valuation of our property was raised this past winter. We are not sure whether we can keep our Trash Collector for another year but negotiations are ongoing.

OLD BUSINESS

It was Moved, Seconded and Passed to let the Board decide on the Charitable Gifts Distribution.

It was Moved, Seconded and Passed to approve the budget for 2001-2002. (Copy attached).

NEW BUSINESS: It was Moved, Seconded and Passed to elect Charlotte Martin, President, Bob Caruthers, Vice President, Lucia Powell, Treasurer, and Marilyn Williams, Clerk, all for one year terms; and Janet Abel, Board member, Class of 2004; Leslie Krichko, Board Member, Class of 2004; Ted Denise, Board Member to finish Bob Caruthers' term, Class of 2002. They join Jeff Broadhead and Marybelle Chapin in the Class of 2003.

Announcements about Recycling (very important), keeping dogs from running loose (town laws are very strict) and brush pick up at the end of the year on town roads were presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn A. Williams