

Rustic Ridge Homeowners Association
HOA Annual Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2020

Opening

The Annual Meeting of the Rustic Ridge Homeowners Association was called to order at 7:01pm on March 10, 202 by Stephen DiGioia.

Present

Stephen DiGioia – President

Ben Snyder – Vice President

Vince Altrudo – Treasurer

Tom Banta

See attached list of Homeowners present

Absent

Lisa Wunschel – Secretary

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Motion made to accept meeting minutes from 3-5-20 by Stephen and seconded by Ben Snyder

Opening Remarks - Stephen

- Introduced Board Members.
- Welcomed everybody to our HOA Annual meeting.
- Talked about the 6 new residents the past 1 months which is about average for movement within the plan.
- Talked about the need for volunteers to help with committees and that we still only have 2 members on the Welcoming Committee since last year.

Topics

See attached Agenda

Questions/Comments

Connie Langhorst – 331 Meadow Wood Dr.

Q: Are they still not cutting on Meadow wood drive?

A: Ben Snyder explained it was decided not to maintain trails due to expense. Will cut the area that is common between homes and to the back edge of the woods and that is it.

Bernie Murphy – 57 Rustic Ridge

Q: Speeding? Any options on available humps or bumps? Bernie would like to see speed humps would that be legal.

A: Stephen DiGioia responded that we have not investigated this since there was much opposition to this at last year's Annual Meeting. The Board will ask the Boro about the possibilities of installed speed humps in the plan. Ben Snyder also explained that this is an issue the Board cannot control and to call the Plum police dept. and complain about the speeding. There is strength in numbers.

Pat Hannon - 117 Rustic Ridge

Comment

The FedEx guy flies through the neighborhood! I called FedEx to complain and called the bus garage with School bus numbers that are also speeding in the plan.

Pat Hannon – 117 Rustic Ridge

Q: The 2019 – 2020 financial review is less than \$1,000 which is down from previous years. Is this correct?

A: Stephen DiGioia - Yes, it is! Should be around \$700 - \$800 per year moving forward.

Linda Hagerman - 107 Rustic Ridge

Q: Instead of speed bumps could we do an extra stop sign instead?

A: Stephen DiGioia – We will talk to Boro.

Danny Moriarity - 15 Autumn Wood

Comment

You should go to the borough meetings to bring these items up. Our HOA is not the answer. It is the adults speeding as well as the kids. The Plum Boro Council meetings are where you need to go and voice your concern. Radar cannot be used and the only way to monitor speeding is to have the white lines for timing them or follow them and then they go slow because you are following them.

Melissa Slane - 95 Rustic Ridge

Q: Do we have an ordinance for cutting grass? It is an eyesore to those that live next door.

A: Dan Moriarity there is a borough ordinance that covers this issue. You can call the borough and they will start with a warning.

Comment

Kelly Snyder – 163 Rustic Ridge

Some of those that do not cut grass may be going through the hard times Perhaps there is a reason the grass is not getting cut.

Comment

That thought also reminds me of how we offered payment plans for overdue HOA dues to about a dozen homeowners who agreed to be on the plan which waives the interest fees or late fees provided they make the monthly payments.

Comment

Stephen DiGioia – I also forgot to mention that I just received an email this morning from Dave Soboslay from the Boro stating that a paving contract has been awarded to a paving company and paving is scheduled for late summer but is always subject to change.

Jay Mathia - 317 Meadow Wood

Q: Are all the streets going to be paved?

A: Stephen DiGioia – Yes, the entire plan.

Amy Cooper - 142 Rustic Ridge

Q: I mailed the check to the PO Box but haven't seen the check cashed yet.

A: Vince Altrudo - Invoices went out third week in January and I usually make deposits after I have 5 or 6 checks to deposit.

Melissa Slane - 95 Rustic Ridge

Q: The feral cat's issue - are we doing anything to get rid of them?

A: Stephen DiGioia – The Board is not addressing this issue since it is a Boro issue.

Comment

Kelly Snyder - 163 Rustic Ridge

If we did want to start a feral cat committee would get ahold of a place in Tarentum and occasionally, we could bring them there. Would need cages, traps, transportation, etc.

After they are neutered, a notch is placed on the left ear and that is how you know that cat has been spayed or neutered.

Comment

Linda Hagerman - 107 Rustic Ridge

The lady who feeds the cats claims Allegheny County took the cats and they have been neutered. The cat if neutered should only live 3 years and population will decline over that time.

Jack Myler – 159 Rustic Ridge

Comment

We are looking for help - We have a small group to pick up trash and will meet at the ball field 8 on April 18 as part of the Boro's initiative. If anyone would like to help, please shoot me an email.

Pat Hannon – 117 Rustic Ridge

Comment

I spotted an animal in my back yard about a month ago and it was a coyote. You may want to be cautious with small pets!

Meeting closed 7:45

Closing Comments – Stephen DiGioia

- We have discussing hosting a Spring picnic at the soccer fields to officially announce the paving of the track. Keep an eye out for details.
- We need additional volunteers for some of the committees – we either all succeed, or we all fail it depends on you being an active member of this Association!
- Please visit the HOA website for all information. Everything you would need to know about is located there. There is also a Facebook page, but it only touched about half of the homeowners since that is all that have joined. The website is the best option for information.
- Our next major project planned is playground equipment in the soccer field area but will most likely have to wait until next year since almost half of the homeowners have not submitted their 2020 Annual Dues yet and the deadline is April 1. We will proceed with this project as funds allow.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm by Stephen DiGioia