

Community Planning Committee  
Minutes, 18 June 2008

Present: Danny Schweers, Ray Seigfried, Sally Sharpe. Absent: Terry Colgan, Michael Falstad, and Ron Meick.

Ray Seigfried called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION, OCTOBER VILLAGE BRAINSTORMING SESSION

We discussed the responsibilities of this committee further, and agreed that the committee should anticipate the long-range needs of the Village, take into consideration the topics discussed yearly at the Advisory Committee retreat, and listen to what the Town Chair and others have to say about outside forces impacting Arden. We further agreed to an October meeting of village residents to brainstorm about the future of Arden. We will announce the date of this meeting at the September Town Meeting.

ADU ORDINANCE

The other villages have very different processes than our own. Of the 29 or so possible ADUs in the Village of Arden, most are eligible without question, leaving eleven leaseholds that do not fit the strict ADU guidelines, especially that the owner of the household live there and have only one Additional Domicile Unit. Some of those eleven, however, qualify under other means, because the owner resides on the property. That leaves some question about those multi-domicile leaseholds held by absentee landlords. We hope to have those ADUs certified as well. Sally Sharpe agreed to call those with ADUs who had not yet responded to the letter.

MEMORIAL GARDEN

Ruth Bean had asked for a sign. Danny Schweers agreed to serve as liaison to the Memorial Garden Sub-Committee and follow up on the sign.

LEASEHOLD DIVISION

This issue is waiting clarification from the Trustees, but the particular leasehold in question is up for sale, not waiting to hear if the subdivision is possible or not.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting is July 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Buzz Ware Village Center. We will not meet in August.

We adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Danny Schweers, Committee Secretary