The first meeting of the Town Assembly of Arden under the amended House Bill 168 passed Oct 13 1967 to incorporate the Village of Arden was held on January 22, 1968. Trustee Phillip Cohen called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present.

The minutes of the September Town Assembly were read and approved.

The floor was opened for nominations for a chairman to chair the January meeting. A permanent chairman of the Town Assembly will be elected for a one-year term at the March meeting.

Carl Von Oreele and Cecil Liberman were nominated and the Registration Committee conducted the ballotting.

The results of the ballotting were 38 votes for Mr Liberman and 15 votes for Mr Von Oreele and Mr Liberman was declared elected and took over Chairmanship of the rest of the meeting.

The financial report of the Trustees was read and approved and a copy is on file. Expenditure from Municipal Street aid Fund read and on file.

No report from the Assessors or Budget Committee.

Civic Committee reported that general maintenance of town had been carried out. Hannum + Lobing have taken care of snow removal and sanding the roads were needed because of icy condition. It was necessary to sand the Pond Road toward end of ~~[illegible]~~ sledding season in January because the

area became too icy and sleds could not be controlled. The Fenske turns offered to form a youth patrol to help control rough action on the hill that endangered the children and annoyed the residents living in the area.

The Civic Committee were asked to study problem of icy condition at Harvey and Hillside Roads caused by removal of drainage pipe under Hillside Road during construction of the sewer. A gutter or culvert on Millers and Vrasch Road also is causing trouble for cars that hit it. The Committee report on motion was approved

Registration Committee reported that 264 out of 376 registered voters voted in the November referendum. This represented 70.2%. All items of the Budget were approved and the following were elected as Assessors: William Morley Henry Aughey, Morris Rosen, Murray Lashey Carl Von Oreele, Frank Starr, Shaul Gladstone.

Advisory Committee Chairman Richard Downes presented a resolution to set up standing Committees under the section 6 of the charter which gives the Town Assembly authority to do this. The Committees would be the Civic Committee Community Planning Committee and Advisory Committee whose duties were defined in the By Laws of the previous Town Assembly. It was further recommended that the Safety

Committee be set up as a standing Committee also. This resolution will be acted upon under new business. The report of the Advisory Committee on motion was accepted.

The Safety Committee report was read by Richard Downes.

An amendment to the Safety Code will be presented under new business so that the Safety Code will conform to the limits of penalties prescribed in the charter of incorporation.

Under for the Safety Committee to be set up as a standing Committee with two members to be elected in even years and three members in odd number of years the Committee drew straws and Richard Downes and Frank Akutowicz ~~were~~ drew the short straws but both of them will permit their names to be entered in nomination.

The Safety Committee hopes that contacting parents of those causing trouble during sledding periods on Pond Road will control the situation. A light & siren have been purchased for the police car.

A method of painting intersection of Harvey and Sherwood Road and clear marking of one way streets will be done to eliminate the hazard of people backing out of Sherwood Road or going wrong ways on the Road with no light to control their entrance into Marsh Road.

The Committee report was accepted

The resolution to set up standing Committees was circulated to the Town Assembly.

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B. It shall be the duty of the Civic Committee to exercise general supervision over Communal rights, property, repairs, construction, and expenditures concerning same; it shall approve all bills for moneys so expended, such bills to be submitted to the Trustees for payment and it shall expend no funds beyond the limitations of the authorized budget.

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Community Planning Committee

A. The Community Planning Committee shall consist of five residents of Arden elected by a majority vote at the regular March meeting. The term shall be two years, three members to be elected on odd numbered years and two on even numbered years

B. It shall be the duty of the Community Planning Committee to plan the physical and cultural future of the community and to advise with the Town Assembly and Trustees on all matters relating to the betterment and development of Arden

The resolution on motion was adopted

Safety Committee

A The Safety Committee shall consist of five residents of Arden elected by a majority of those voting at the regular March meeting. The term shall be two years, three members to be elected on odd numbered years and two on even numbered years.

B. It shall be the duty of the Safety Committee to be responsible for enforcement of Safety Code as adopted by the Town Assembly and the Commissioners of Arden on July 17, 1967 and to recommend changes or additions

to the code.
2. Be responsible for the supervision of the Police Force and for recommending additions or deletions of the police force to the Town Assembly.
3. Be invested with authority to take action necessary to guard public Safety without previous specific action by Town Assembly.
4. Be charged with responsibility of preparing additional Safety regulations for approval by the Town Assembly.

A motion was made to add the word emergency before action in section B.3. Motion passed.

It was felt by some residents that taking action to guard ~~Pub~~ public Safety without previous specific action by Town Assembly was delegating broad powers that perhaps should have set up — police powers by an ordinance. At the present time with the exception of the Safety Code the Safety Committee has acted in an informal manner.

The resolution setting up the Safety Committee as a standing committee passed as amended by adding the word emergency.

Advisory Committee.
a. The Advisory Committee shall consist of the chairman of all the standing committees and the Trustees. The Town Assembly secretary shall act as Secretary. The chairman of this committee shall be elected by a majority of those voting at the regular March meeting of the Town Assembly and shall serve for a term of one year.

3. It shall be the duty of the Advisory Committee to be advisory in character and to correlate and review the committee activities.
c. The Advisory Committee shall present nominations for the Area, Budget, Community Planning, Registration, Safety and Audit Committees at the January meeting. They shall be required to submit at least twice as many nominees as are to be elected to each committee. Additional nominations may also be made from the floor.

The resolution setting up the Advisory Committee was on motion approved.

Ordinance No 2 of the Village of Arden was presented for first reading by Richard Downes, chairman of the Safety Committee.

An Ordinance to amend and revise the Safety Code of the Village of Arden being Ordinance No 1 of the Village as approved on July 17, 1967.

Whereas an Act to reincorporate the Village of Arden, contained in Chapter 125 Volume 56 of the Laws of the State of Delaware was approved by the Governor of the State of Delaware on October 13, 1967 and

Whereas section 123 of said Act provides that no ordinance of the Village of Arden shall provide for a fine in excess of 100.00 and

Whereas the above described Ordinance No 1 of the Village of Arden contains various provisions fixing penalties for

violation thereof in excess of the sum of "100.00"
Now therefore:
It is ordained by the Town Assembly of the Village of Arden:
1. The last sentence of section 401-3 (b) of the Arden Safety Code is hereby stricken and the following substituted therefor: "For each subsequent like offense he shall be fined not less than $50.00, nor more than $100.00.
2. Section 409.2 (a) of the Arden Safety Code is hereby stricken and the following substituted therefor: "Whoever drives a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or of any drug shall be fined $100.00. A suspended sentence shall not be granted those convicted for a second offense under this section.
3. The first sentence of section 501.2 (b) of the Arden Safety Code is hereby stricken and the following substituted therefor: "Whoever violates subsection (a) of this section shall be fined $100.00
4. Section 701.4 of the Arden Safety Code is hereby stricken and the following substituted therefor: "Violations of provisions of section 700 shall be fined not less than $25.00 nor more than $100.00. For each subsequent violation he shall be fined not less than $50.00 nor more than $100.00

Nomination were made for the Standing Committee as follows

Budget: William Press* Murray Lashey*
Eugene Shaw, William Beacham.

Mary Kimmie, Patricia Press, Harriet Hoffman, Ruth Bean, Charlotte Williams

Curve Committee: Albee Williams*, Wordsman Vanderer*, John Dillon, Alexander Szykulski,

Auditing: Carl Von Oeule*, Murray Lashey*, Earl Brooks, Leon Tanzer, Frank Starr, Samuel Harvity

Community Planning: Edith Ware*, Bernard Brachman*, Warren Hoffman, Beatrice Jaffe, Margaret Kazan, John Dillon, Barbara Kerr, Donald Stephens.

Safety Committee: Richard Downes*, Frank Akutowicz*, David Cavanaugh, Larry Lipstein

Advisory Committee Chairman: Richard Downes*, George Hanstein.

Mr Phillip Cohen stated that inasmuch as there is a vacancy in the Board of Trustee due to the death of Hamilton D Ware he and Mr I B Finkelstein requests that the Advisory Committee suggests name of the Trustees so that they can have a ~~idea~~ people that they can consider asking to serve on the Board of Trustees. The candidate as selected by the Trustees must be approved by the majority of the residents as outlined in the Deed of Trust

It was suggested that a resolution be

sent to the New Castle County to request them to include the Village of Arden under the building plumbing and health codes. After some discussion it was felt that perhaps some of the codes would not be to Arden's advantage. Therefore it was proposed that the Community Planning Committee look into all these codes and the affect it would have if we did adopt them and report to the March Town Assembly.

A resolution was made and passed that an account be opened in the name of the Village of Arden Inc. in the Bank of Delaware using the typical Bank resolution and that the checks be signed by the Treasurer of the Town of Arden and by the Chairman of the Town Assembly. Money going into this account will come from fines assessed.

The Advisory Committee is to study desirability of ~~recommend~~ payment of Town Treasurer

The Village of Arden has suffered a grievous loss in the death of Hamilton D Ware. The Chairman of this meeting Cy Liberman was asked to draw up a letter of sympathy to be extended to Edith Ware and his children.

The meeting on motion adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Morley
Secretary