The July 25, 1949 meeting of the Town Assembly of Arden, Delaware

The meeting was held at Gild Hall Arden, Delaware and presided over by Trustee Ware.

After the chairman had declared a quorum to be present, the June 27, 1949 minutes were read and after correction approved.

Trustees report: There was no financial report from the Trustees because the bank auditors were examining the books and Mr. Gerstner could not compile the figures.

Civic Committee: Mary Morley presented an informal report stating that the collections at the swimming pool totaled $39 to date but that the expense would be over $100. Road repair had been ordered and all commons had been kept mowed. She reported that work in the town had been held up because of Mr. Vanderen's accident in which he was injured and his truck broken. Report accepted.

Assessors report: Report that the base rent per 100 sq. feet would be 2.75 - same as 1949-1950. The path and road factor are to be eliminated, but $2.00 shall be assessed to each corner comprising the junction of two roads. They suggested that the board of assessors for the coming year should make a study of all special assessments.

Moved and accepted that the report be accepted with a suggestion that a copy of the report be sent to the trustees.

No report from Budget Committee

Community Planning Committee reported that the petition to have Order ~~surveyed~~ set up as a sewage district had been filed with the New Castle Cty Court by Trustee Cohen. Mrs Ware suggested that all fruits and vegetables be washed thoroughly because of being sprayed by DDT.

Registration Committee reported 455 on list of resident.

Advisory Committee: There meeting had dealt primarily with the problem of the Safety Committee. Their suggestion to the Safety Committee had been that they make a survey of Order to find what signs would be necessary and then confer with the Civic Committee to find what money would be available to purchase the signs. Mr. Morley suggested that the Town Assembly should act on whether a deputy should be hired on a temporary basis and whether his salary should be placed on budget for permanent basis. Report accepted.

Audetry Committee: reported that they had examined the books of the Trustees and found them to be in order. The accountants had suggested that the Reserve for Sewer Projects be deposited in a seperate account and set aside for this reserve. Auditors approve this method and suggest that Trustees follow this recommendation.

Also suggested as in previous years that a double entry system of books be kept.

The report was accepted with recommendation that a copy be sent to Trustees.

By-laws committee will have definite suggestions prepared for August meeting. One suggestion they form is to have nominations for committees made one month before election.

Committee to meet with Trustees - No report.

Safety Committee reported progress in clearing up dangerous parking conditions. They are making a study of signs needed.

No unfinished business.

Mr Aughey seconded by Edith Brooks moved that the Town Assembly recommend that a Town Deputy be hired. This motion was accepted. It was suggested that the Advisory Committee set up duties of this deputy. The Safety Committee and the Civic Committee would act with this Committee to clarify pay and hours of work for deputy.

It was suggest by Mr Savage that signs be placed at public roads showing direction and distance to Arden from nearby areas. Mr. Gillette suggested that the Safety Committee recommend the cutting down of dangerous hedges.

The following people were nominated to serve on the Community Planning Committee to serve for three years:
Edith Ware, Olof Vik, Virginia Williams, Eve Smith, Charles Zürcher, Thomas Colgan.
The Registration Committee conducted the election and the following were elected.
Olof Vik, Virginia Williams, Edith Ware, Charles Zürcher, Eve Smith.

The meeting on motion adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Mary Maley