The regular meeting of the Town Assembly of Arden was held on March 24 1962 at the Gild Hall with Trustee Wain presiding.

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

The financial report of the Trustees was read and approved. A copy is on file. Trustee Wain reported that the Trustees have been meeting regularly to handle routine matters of business but they do not have a special report for the Town Assembly. The report as motioned was accepted.

The Civic Committee report was presented by A Williams. In March 18 the committee made an inspection tour. A drain is to be constructed in the woods behind Lewis Epstein's property to channel the water to the creek. A new pipe line is being laid near the Moonlight Theatre to carry the drainage from the Highway into the creek near Tangers.
Newton Vanderveer has been hired as liaison man between the Julian Construction Company and the town to look after the town's interest. This matter has been cleared with Julians and they are pleased at the arrangements. The cost of this work will be charged to road funds. All regular maintenance of the town will be carried out wherever possible during the construction of the sewers.

The Budget figures for 1961-62 year were read. A balance of 22060 was carried over to Road Funds and 643.91 return unexpended to the Trustees' Fund. The report on motion was accepted.

The Board of Assessors reported that the base rate on Ardin lands has been reassessed from 675 as reported at the June meeting to $1000 per 1000 square feet to cover the sewer assessment for this year.

Donald Stephens stated that the report of the assessors is contrary to the Deed of Trust and contrary to the method of assessment of land value by the Single Tax method. The report of the Board of Assessors on motion passed with one negative vote.

No report from Budget or Community Planning Committee.

Registration Committee reported 378 voters.

Jane Aughey reported for the Water & Sewer Committee. She outlined the history of the sewer project. A petition signed by 657 of the voters petitioned to join the Namaoro Sanitary district in September of 1958. It was necessary to form a separate Ardin Sanitary district. In December of 1960 a referendum was passed by a majority to start the project. The lowest bid was much higher than estimated; therefore a special meeting was held on October of 1961 to make certain economies. The lowest bid is 349 877 by Julian Construction Company. A petition signed by a majority of the voters requested the Sewer Court to award the contract to the

lowest bidder and the work is under way.
The committee met with a licenced plumber and went over possibilities of saving money by a group hiring the same person. They also found all the regulations needed to meet the Plumbing Code. It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted with thanks.
The Water and Sewer committee was asked to send a copy of their report to all the residents.

Donald Stephens does not feel that the sewers should go through the woods. Leon Tanger feels that we should ask for a rebate because the high bid was made because of the law that requires shoring and the contractor is not shoring up the ditches.

Safety Committee report. Marti Berger reported that arrangements have been made to allow Library users to park in front of the Gild Hall for 15 minutes only but they must leave their parking lights on. Mr. Stuevey reported two local violators who could not be arrested but they were reprimanded and their names reported. On motion the report was accepted.

There is a vacancy on the By Laws Committee to be filled by an appointment by the Chair.

Mr Morley Chairman of the Swimming pool Gild was requested to outline plans for the pool because Ardmore town pool was closed by the Board of Health. The date of opening of the pool is aimed by June 1, 1963.

because it is felt that uncertainty of date of completion of sewer would determine construction of pool.

2 - Heavy expense of sewer work would limit number of families who could afford the pool at this time

3 - To much rush in preparation might cause unsatisfactory results.

Under new business the Registration Committee conducted the election of members of the standing Committees of the Town Assembly. The result of the election is as follows: Registration Committee: Ruth Estes, Patricia Press. Joan Colgan

Auditing Committee: Carl Van Drule, Oliver Hahn and Paul Smith.

Budget Committee: William Pressed John Page

Civic Committee: Albert Williams and Herman Kramer

Community Planning: Katharine Furman and Edith Ware.

Advisory Committee: Chairman: Marti Berger

Mary Morley was unanimously elected to serve as the Town Assembly Secretary and the Secretary was instructed to cast a ballot electing her.

The Report of the School Trustees was made by William Morley. He reported that Mr Lloyd Estes has announced his candidacy for reelection to the Board

at a election to be held on May 14, 1962.
The School Board and the Headers are taking special precautions during sewer construction around the school. Recesses are being held in areas away from excavations. Notes were sent to all parents urging that they point out dangers of playing around excavations and near the machinery.

Mr Alexander Sypulski feels that the friendliness of Arden is being threatened by Mr Streeveys zeal in making arrests. He pointed out that the new markings at the corner of Marsh on Harvey Road on Harvey Road are difficult to see. He feels that Mr Streevey should warn people about their violations and not arrest them so quickly.
It was suggested that the Trustees write to the Legislature concerning the laws that outline the duties of the policemen. Legislation is needed to outline clear cut area of protection for private roads in small communities.

It was pointed out that children use Miller Road and Walnut Lane as a playground. It was suggested that Mr. Streevey should encourage them to use the greens and other play areas.

Theoretically on motion adjourned.
Respectfully submitted
Mary Moler Secretary