

The regular meeting of the Town Assembly of Aiden met on September 3, 1963 with Trustee H D Ware presiding.

The minutes of the June Town Assembly and the reconvened June Town Assembly held in July were read and approved.

The financial report of the Trustees was read and approved. A copy is on file.

H D Ware reported for the Trustees that a letter had been received from the Public Service Commission asking that we approve statements made by Aiden Water Company that they had complied with directives from the Commission to improve the water system in Aiden. The Trustees would act on this letter.

Since the fire policy coverage in Aiden is good now, insurance rates should go down but the fire underwriters will have to check the installation and after the system is approved each person will have to contact his own insurance company. It takes a long time for the underwriters to complete their work and the residents will be informed about this situation.

School taxes have increased again and there is not enough money to pay them. There is a substantial arrearage payment of land assessment but unless all the money is collected Aiden will be faced with a default year again.

The Chocoma Fire Company would like to build an auxiliary fire station on Aiden town property at corner of Chestnut Road, Marsh Road. The suggestion is being studied.

Trustees are still trying to work out a solution for sewers for those properties that need pumps.

Arden Committee made a tour of the town to check the work done by Julian at the Pipe Line Construction Company. They outlined the work that was not completed satisfactorily and Newton Vandoren will deal with Julian Construction Company from now. General town maintenance has been a deal.

Assessors report.

Budget Committee report was circulated and then the details explained by Jukka Willemain.

It was suggested that perhaps our common ad fronts could be made tax exempt to aid the serious financial condition of Arden funds.

Suggested that we see if state would allocate funds for maintenance of common ad roads since we pay taxes for this and never receive any help.

Contribution to Arden Community Recreation Association has been set to \$100.

A motion was made and defeated to eliminate the contribution of \$100 to the Arden Community Recreation Association.

Mr Finkelstein pointed out that the Trustees do not have enough money to meet present bills because school taxes have increased. He stated that Philip Cohen was preparing

some figures to show the financial condition of the town.

A motion was made that the action on the Budget Committee report tabled until it could be acted upon at a continuation of the September meeting one month hence. The motion was debated with 15 ayes and 18 nays.

A motion was made and passed to approve the Budget Committee report as presented for referendum.
 Community Planning Committee progress.
 Registered Committee - 368 registered voters.
 Advisory Committee - all items covered by Committee report.

Safety Committee will check all road signs. They are working with the school Safety Patrol.

School Trustees. They are working out details of a referendum to increase school taxes so that they can pay our teachers salaries comparable to those paid by other districts.

Wallace Franks reported I know what the Trustees are planning to do about the new legislation proposed by State School Board to close all schools of less than 100 students and to consolidate them with larger districts.

Under New Business. The following were nominated to serve as Assessors to be elected by referendum: Henry Arthey, Carl Van Duse, Bernard Brochman, William Press, Morris Rosen, Murray Losky, Donald Stephens, Norman Vanderveer.

Francis Froman, Shaul Gladstone,
Frank Akutowicz, Clyde Steen, S.L. Beaw
Reese Davis.

A motion ~~was~~ made and passed
that a Financial Committee be formed
to consider long range financial planning
for the town and to bring in recommendations.
The committee will consist of representatives
from the Trustees, Budget Committee, the
assessors and two members to be appointed
by the Chairman of the meeting.

A motion was made and passed with
two nay votes that the Chairman of the
meeting appoint a committee of three
to work with the PTA and the school Trustees
to preserve the Arden School as a part
of the town.

Under Good and Welfare Don Stephens reported
that the fire chief was going to talk at a
meeting on October 1st concerning fire prevention.

The meeting in motion adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Morley
Secretary