

The adjourned January meeting of the Town Assembly was held on February 11, 1975 in the Lower Gild Hall with Chairman, William Press presiding. Hugh Roberts, Deputy Chairman presided over part of the meeting because Mr. Press had to leave early.

The nominations made at the January 27, meeting for Chairman of the Town Assembly were read. They are Thomas Colgan, Michael Curtis, Cy Liberman, Harold Monfort, and Temma Tanzer. Cy Liberman and Temma Tanzer withdrew from the slate. A motion was made and carried to close the nominations.

Michael Thompson, State Department of Planning presented a Summary of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

The Community Development funds are to be available on January 1, 1974 Purpose is to provide decent housing a suitable living environment for persons of low and moderate income. Arden should make specific application for community needs. Applicants are required to submit an annual application for Federal approval and the program is going to run for six years. The Application must contain a summary of a three year plan which identifies community development needs in accordance with area wide planning.

2. Formulation of a program which meets community development needs.
3. Application must be approve unless the activities proposed are plainly inappropriate to meeting stated needs and objectives .

Arden can get housing for elderly, handicapped, help on historic preservation, public works.

The income of the community is not a factor. In some instances it would be better for Arden to be included under New Castle County application because of our small population, but some projects could be funded by the discretionary fund in the SMSA.

Nancy Layton of the Department of Community Development and Housing for New Castle County said that she thought it was too late for Arden to share in the 1975 allotment for housing in New Castle County, but we could apply for 1976.

We can share in the SMSA discretionary funds, but application must be made between March 15 and May 15.

Arden could apply for the following:

Senior Citizen Housing: Create four to six units on a lot. Buy up existing house and build others on the lot. Perhaps have a central food service. Create a center for older citizens in the Buzz Ware Community Center.

Study the possibility of porous pavement material that acts as a flood control for the roads. This would be a demonstration for conservation. Information is available from Franklin Institute in Pheladephia.

Repave and remodel paths.

Build a parking lot for the Buzz Ware Community Center.

Establish a management system for the forest and replanting of trees in the community.

Create a tennis court.

Upgrade the Frank Stephens Memorial Theatre.

Upgrade the Buzz Ware Village Center.

Build an overhead crossing over Harvey Road at Orleans.

A motion was made and passed that the Community Planning Committee act on the advice of the February 11 meeting after a straw vote is taken and to report to the March Town Assembly on the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

Vote was taken as follows:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
1. Senior Citizen Housing	16	14
2. Road	27	5
3. Woodland and trees	24	8
4. Buzz Ware Village Center	23	6
5. Paths	15	7
6. Tennis Court	3	23
7. Frank Stephens Memorial Theater	16	7
8. Crossing over Harvey Road	4	15

The meeting on Motion adjourned,

Mary Morley
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Secretary