

Request for Special Town Assembly

We, the undersigned, request that a special Town Assembly of the Village of Arden be held on Monday, July 9, 1973 for the purpose of hearing the second reading of the proposed amendment to Ordinance Number 4 - Use of Commons.

1. *Wm. A. Hoff*
2. *Michael K. Conte*
3. *Richard C. Lynch*
4. *W. C. Pusa*
5. *Mary Moly*
6. *Frank Abutorio*
7. *Molra Budin*
8. *Cecil Liberman*
9. *Aaron S. Hamburger*
10. *Ed & Davis*
11. *Pat Davis*
12. *Alton Dahl*
13. *Charlotta Shedel*
14. *Jane Kleban*
15. *Theresa L. Pierce*
16. *Paula Cogan*
17. *Deborah Cogan*
18. *Gerard*
19. *Sandra Weisell*
20. *David W. Adkins*
21. *Pamela G. Adkins*
22. *Helen L. Macklem*
23. *C. N. Howard*
24. *Ray Donald*
25. *Elvie Grimald*



A special Town Assembly of the Village of Arden was held on July 9, 1973 in the Gild Hall with Chairman, William Press, presiding.

The meeting was called at the request of more than 25 registered voters to hear and act on the second reading of the proposed amendments to Ordinance Number 4-Use of the Commons.

After a quorum was declared present the copy of the Ordinance with amendments adopted at June Town Assembly was circulated.

Section 1 had been amended to use the term preserve rather than reserve the use of the community's forests, greens and other commons for the enjoyment of residents of Arden.

Section 2. Eliminate one of the Trustees, or Chairman of the Town Assembly from those giving permission to sleep or camp overnight in the forests.

Section 6. The Civic Committee shall establish rules for use of commons, including, but not restricted to, consumption of alcoholic beverages, use of recreational equipment, and requests for exclusive use of a specified area. The rules are to be posted at several places in the Village. The rules will take effect and can be changed after a majority vote of the Town Assembly. Violation of any rule shall be considered to be a violation of this ordinance.

Section 7. Violation. Violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine not less than \$10 nor exceeding \$100. Each instance of violation shall be considered a separate offense.

Rule 5 as suggested by the Safety Committee at the June meeting had been approved:

"No person or group shall occupy the Arden Green bounded by Millers Road, Cherry Lane, Green Lane, and Woodland Lane or the Frank Stephens Memorial Theater between dusk and dawn without the permission of the Chairman of the Civic Committee or his designate(s). Permission shall be granted on the same basis as Rule 3.

During the discussion it was suggested that Rule 6 be amended to include No use of the commons may violate any ordinance of the Village of Arden or State law and add County Law. It was pointed out that there were no County laws that would pertain to this.

A motion was made and accepted to amend Section 7 to read that minimum fine should be \$25 instead of \$10.

It was suggested that a time limit be put on the rule establishing a curfew.

Some residents still feel that an established curfew is a bad idea.

A suggestion was made that residents present go over to the greens at the conclusion of the meeting to see what is going on.

A motion was made and accepted to adopt the second reading of the amendments to Ordinance 4-Use of Commons.

The meeting on motion adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Mary Morley*  
 Mary Morley, Secretary