

A special meeting of the Town Assembly was held on December 1, 1960 to discuss problems of proposed Arden Sanitary District.

Dr. Edward Shiva of the State Board of Health outlined the health hazards caused by overflowing septic tanks. He stated that there are several places in Arden that do not have any possible way of correcting condition except via sewers. The situation has gotten so acute that stricter enforcement will be necessary. Arden is one of the few large communities that do not have sewers and about 20% of the residents are having problems with sewage for which there is no ready solution. The Board of Health has the power to force the house to be vacated if the sewage situation cannot be corrected. Sewage is defined as overflow from septic tanks and also wash water.

Dr. Shiva stated that the Board of Health has not forced correction of all conditions in Arden because they knew that the town has been trying to install sewers. As soon as sewers are in operation all residents whose septic tank systems are not working properly will be forced to connect to the sewer system.

Mr. John Caballer of the State Engineer's ment over the sewer charges again.

The charge for front footage is paid when resident connects and can be paid immediately or within 5 years. Anyone who wishes to connect to the sewer line gets permission from trustee to do so. They will be billed quarterly for the

front foot charge and interest is charged  
at rate of 6%.

General services are an annual  
charge

The bonds are retired at cost of 14.50  
per year for bonds and interest. These  
are paid off in 30 years. After  
bonds are paid off the county pays all  
maintenance costs.

Mr Caballero was not able to say where  
lines would be laid but he felt that most  
of lines would be down middle of the  
roads. If the referendum is favorable  
an Saturday. Work on construction  
should start about the first of July. The County  
lets the bid to lowest bidder but each  
contractor has to state when job will be  
finished.

A letter of appreciation will be sent to  
Dr. Shuman and Mr. Caballero for their  
willingness to come out on such a stormy  
night to inform the residents of the  
town concerning the referendum.

Respectfully submitted,

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Assembly Secretary