

A special meeting was called on February 5, 1950 under the auspices of the Trustees and the Community Planning Committee to allow Mr. Cabalan, County Engineer to present the complete details of the sewerage system to Arden.

Justice Wace presided at this meeting attended by about 90 residents of Arden. Mr. Cabalan outlined the costs of sewerage system and the approximate cost per residence. The voting on the acceptance of the plan will be held on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> at the Arden school. All persons who have lived in Delaware one year in the county for 90 days and in Arden for 30 days are eligible to vote. The sewerage district as set up is Arden alone but the proposed system will be large enough to accommodate other communities if they wish to tie in at some future date.

The total cost of construction is \$190,000 for a trunk line service to Claymont Addition and sewers in the roads of Arden. This does not include cost of lines to houses or cost of connecting to trunk line to city of Wilmington disposal plant. Interest on the loan will amount to \$57,000. The entire cost to the town of Arden is about \$10,000 per year for 30 years. This includes cost of construction, interest maintenance, front footage charge - this must be paid off in 5 years. This will be an approximate cost to each resident of \$52 per year. This cost will probably be reduced to \$42 as

more people connect into the line.

When the sewer is put in connection are located to suit each household. A licensed plumber must be hired to install line from sewer to house.

Discussion of ways and means of assessing the costs to each household will be decided by the Trustees and the Assessors of Order. The Jury Court sends the bill to the Trustees and can make no recommendation as to how the bill should be handled.

The Cabalen in answering questions as to when construction would start if approved stated that late fall would be the earliest possible starting date.

He was not able to answer many questions as to cost of installation to each house but stated it runs about  $3\frac{1}{4}$  per foot.

There is no law yet that can compel you to use the system unless your present system is injurious to health and then the State Board of Health can compel you to ~~lay~~ tie in.

The Wase stated that another meeting would be called before Feb 18<sup>th</sup> at which time the Trustees & Assessors would report on their proposed method of assessment.

Respect fully submitted  
May L. Morley