

The regular meeting of the Town Assembly of Arden was held on June 22, 1959 with Trustee Ware presiding.

After a quorum was declared present the minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

Correspondence from Harry Zutty concerning the Market Liability Policy on Arden was read. A letter from Middle Department Association of Fire Underwriters concerning reason for high insurance rates in Arden was read. Letters from Reynolds Dept., R.G. Haler, John Ferguson thanking us for our interest in better facilities for the police at Penny Hill were read.

A letter from Erwin Roberts concerning flooding of his land and other by rainwater was read.

The financial report of the Trustee was read and a copy is on file.

Mr. Ware reported that the Trustee had engaged the services of Herbert Coburn to handle situation of sewer with the City Court. He will present a report at a special meeting. The Trustee recommended that a recessed meeting of the Town Assembly be held on June 29 lat 8 PM to hear Mr. Coburn's report.

The Civic Committee reported that the pool has been their major concern. The income will probably not cover the expenses in spite of increase of cost of badge to residents.

Roads are being sprayed with ammonia.

along the edge to control weed. This method is being tried to cut down cost of cleaning edges of roads. Report accepted.

The Assessors reported that Aideris is faced with item of success only possible increase of school taxes. Land Values have remained static but that interest rates are rising. The Assessor unanimously report that they have agreed on a rate of $5\frac{1}{2}$ per thousand square feet as the base rate for year beginning March 1960. All other factors will remain as applied in the previous year.

The Assessor's report was accepted. No report from Budget Safety By Laws, Community Planning Committee.

Registration committee conducted the referendum for changes in the sewer petition. The results were turned over to the Water & Sewer Committee for action. There are 378 voters listed at present time.

The Auditing submitted a detailed report showing that accumulated unexpended income had been reduced by 70% and now amounts to \$9,025 aside from sewer reserve of \$2,500. The Committee report was accepted.

The Water & Sewer Committee reported that 204 of the 383 residents voted in favor of the new referendum of sewer. This represented a 54% return.

The Assessors presented a resolution to be acted upon in September and if approved shall move it be submitted for referendum. They felt that inasmuch as town can only collect rent on land regardless of improvements whereas the County assesses both land and improvements and that this

for those things with large improvements they resolved that:

1. County taxes on improvements be passed directly to the leaseholders by the Trustees
2. Land rents be set by the Ardara assessors following established procedures
3. The trustee will bill leaseholders for both items.

In the discussion that followed it was questioned whether the proposal would be legal under the Deed of Trust. It was suggested that the trustees find out how much leeway there is under the Deed of Trust and find out from the Chancery whether such a proposal could be carried out.

It was suggested that a rent list be printed every year and a copy sent to the County Tax office so they could keep their records up to date.

The meeting on motion recessed until June 14 at which time the question of sewers will be discussed.

Respectfully submitted

May Moly.