The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Village of Aiden was held on June 16, 1947, at 8:15 P.M. with Chairman William Press presiding.

After the minutes declared present, the minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

A letter from the Recreation Association was read. The letter was received and a copy was filed.

Mr. Sherman presented the financial report of the Council. The report was received and a copy was filed.

The Trustees called attention to a paragraph in all the leases that the terms of the lessee must be familiar with. The paragraph states that the owner may enter or cut timber, fence in woodlots to keep land in order, thereby as to be in force in the right of others. Owners to cut trees on your own property or elsewhere, it is necessary to get permission from the Trustees. The Trustees are instructed about the condition of one of the leases which, although the Trustees have never filed a suit against any lessee, they have agreed to do so in the case unless the lessee takes action to remove the deed claim that is spreading Dutch Elm disease in the area.

The Trustees have elected Cy Silverman as Chairman of the Trustees. The report on motion accepted.

Mr. Harold Heath - Chairman of the Board of Assessors distributed copies of the Assessors report.
The Assessor retained the earlier scale of land values developed in 1961. This scale was 30.00 for 1 acre, 10,000 for 10 acres, whereas roads were valued at 10,000 per acre. The percentage applied to the increase for 1.45% to 6.7% as recognition of general increase in cost of living and costs of property.

The resulting full rental value of land and the therefore been set at 18.92 per 1000 square feet for part time 15.00 per 1000 square feet for that part in acres of 1 1000 square feet.

Factor percentage developed last year has been retained intact. It is estimated that the increase will aggregate about 3500 to 4000 additional income was received as a result.

No report for Budget Committee.

Civic Committee reported that the baseball backstop has been completed. The committee has had two check-up trips to the site to a few headquarters that described lots. These new benches have been placed in the sunshine. The clean-up day lasted two days and many truck loads of trash were hauled away. The Civic Committee expects to hold another collection day in the fall. The report on motion was accepted.

The Community Planning report that they suggest a planting of trees along the sidewalk to enhance the look of the field. The trees planted three years ago are growing.
well, the committee suggest that a community compost be established on a site in the woods. This would take care of the leaves in the fall and also provide compost for those that would like to use it. The report on motion accepted.

Regent's committee report 37, regular session.

Advisory Committee report by Secret-Harmon. The committee will report two proposed ordinances under new business.

The committee decided not to take any action on a reduction in the amount of town assessment because at the previous meeting a reduction to 25 per cent was defeated. A request to develop a small section of a registry voter did not seem feasible. No decision on a deed of trust was reached. An agreement on a fee of money was reached.

The advisory committee decided that until the state of Delaware lowers the voting age to 21 or 18, they would not recommend a change in our charter.

The report was accepted as read. The audit committee was not able to audit the books because the audit from the account has just been received. The work will be done by the September meeting.

No report from the safety committee.
My stepson reported that he had been in touch with H. Beegle of the Delaware Agency to persuade them that all the funds raised for a playground for the town have been completed. The funds are available but have not been released yet. Mr. Beegle felt that everything should be completed by July 15.

Unlicensed mini-bikes are not permitted on public roads or paths. If anyone sees anyone riding in Audubon the Sheriff will report the try to the County State Police.

Audubon Recreation Committee sponsored a forum June 9 on the recreation dedication also around our community. It was attended by about 70 people and the affair was a great success. The Audubon Club is planning to sponsor forums and hopes to be able to plan activities of interest to the young people.

Your report from the Brandenburger Council of Women organization,

Audubon Committee is continuing to get material.

Under old business it was felt that we should not wait until Davis and Washington adopt 18 on the voting age.

A motion was made to amend the charter to read:

Section 2 (a) Resident shall mean a person male or female eighteen (18) years and above who shall have resided in the Village for
period of 31 consecutive months immediately preceding each referendum for mating of the Town Assembly of Arden Hill pursuant to the Act.

The motion carried with a vote of 42 ayes on 7 May.

The amendment will be sent to Dora Harkes to present to the legislators for action.

The Town Assembly returns to Dora Johnson and her family to register the passage of

Dr. Harold Johnson

The Town Assembly passed a note of appreciation to C. Burns King for the attractive Mellon of Arden letterhead he designed.

A committee composed of Homer Hwang, William Presser, and Cy Fishman was appointed by the Advisory Committee to draw up Ordinance No. 4 - Use of Commons on Arden Avenue No. 5 - Noise. Copies of the ordinance were distributed.

Section 3. No person shall use threatening and obscene language on the common lands. This felt difficult to define. A statute was made and passed to eliminate Section Three for the Ordinance.

Section 2. No person or group shall sleep overnight on or near the fields, green or other common of Arden without written permission of the Trustees of Arden or the Chairman of the Town Assembly or the Chairman of the Common Committee.

It was felt that this section should be
clarified somewhat

A motion was made and passed

to change it to read one of the Trustees
or the Chairman of the Town Assembly or
the Chairman of the Civic Committee as a
designate of the above listed people.

A motion was made and passed to add
"If permission is not granted, reason
for the refusal of the request shall
be made in writing to the applicant.

Order No. 5.

Section 1. No playing, radio, or other
noise in any home or yard in the Village.

A motion was made and passed to add
"it was suggested that noise be forbidden
between the hours of 11 PM to 8 AM."

Motion was defeated.

Section 2. A motion was made that the ordinance be

A motion that volume of noise in section 4

should be judged by three members of elected
town officials was defeated.

Section 5. Second paragraph paragraph
it was on motion noted the change of

"In considering violations of this ordinance, the
judge or magistrate shall consider the purpose
stated in Section 1, and the testimony of
the one or more persons who state that they have
been unreasonably disturbed by noise or other
sound.

To read: "Two or more persons not
occupying the same household."
Section 5: Power equipment. The normal noise of a chain saw engaged in authorized tree work and the normal noise of a lawn mower or other powered equipment being used in normally accepted work shall be excepted.

A motion to add the no chain saw shall be used on Sunday before noon was defeated.

A motion was made and passed that Section 5 be eliminated because it gave carte blanche to power equipment.

A motion was made and passed that a special town meeting be held in three weeks to present the second reading of Ordinance #4 and Ordinance #5.

A motion was made and passed that the Chairman of the Town Assembly appoint a committee to investigate all federal grant and assurance that were applicable to the needs of Village of Andes.

A motion was made and passed that a telecon be sent to Senator Pierre Surne, Representative Claro Hebert, and Robert Skelton to formulate a bill in their statehouse.

The Village of Andes meeting adjourned without passing a motion stating that it was opposed to the proposal consolidation of County and State Police.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Foley.