The regular meeting of the Town Board was held on June 14, 1968, with Chairman William Press, president.

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

The financial report of the Treasurer was read and approved. An motion the report was accepted.

The Board of Assessors reported the following assessment on a per-acre basis:

Rate of 17 1/2 per thousand or feet for first 1,000 square feet plus 13 1/2 per thousand square feet for the remainder of the lot over 1,000.

The special parks were reviewed. The Assessors concluded that all the parks and cemeteries are of sufficient special importance to warrant special consideration.

It was decided to apply a percentage to the true rental of lots adjoining the park or common. The term "adjoining" refers to those lots which have any side property at the border of the park or common, including alleys where there are intersew streets. The following percentage were adopted:

- Alden Forest: 8%
- Sherwood Forest: 8%
- Village Green: 5%
- Sherwood Green: 4%
- Meadow Green: excludes cemetery: 3%
- Command Green: veterans' plots: 3%.

The surcharge for such lots which have only one side planting a forest or open but not
completely in that role. It is to be adjusted by the ratio of the planting fraction to the total fraction of that scale.

It was pointed out that only one person came to the open meeting of the Board of Assessors and if there is any question about land assessment, it should be given then on motion the Report of the Board of Assessors was accepted.

Budget Committee: no report.

Civic Committee report: Dr. Grace Allen Williams.

The town clerk noted that the budget is lower for four consecutive years than was expected.

General maintenance: more common.

Frost has been carried at some times and will remove several dead trees in the Eden Forest. Work is being done to repair broken stone bridge. It is hoped to build an alternative stone girded road at the road bed under the under the bridge. Work will be done on the French Street and North Theatre. Better Kerr called the Civic Committee attention to code on air pollution and burning debris in the woods; an motion the report was accepted.

Community Planning Committee report submitted. A memorial FrankHuber, Anderson for the Committee. Check trees as green need replacements. Committee opposed planting in the greens in any area.

Committee request that residents turn back growths obstructing the corners where the building needs a problem when the school's consolidated.
art of the Mount Pleasant District.

Following information was obtained by June 12 from Mr. Charles Invers, New Castle County Dept. of Licenses and Development:

There is no law requiring owners of existing homes to connect to public sewer. But if a violation exists, such a source of water is the public water. The Public Water Code can be used to require a connection to public sewer. The owner must either connect to public sewer or construct an approved disposal field. If within 200 feet from the stream it is required to connect. Mr. Charles Invers will come personally to explain details if necessary.

Hosein Creek "Conestoga" contract was made with Mr. Willard Munro, N.C.C. Drainage Engineer.

Plans are being made tentatively to make changes in Hosein Creek to help contain flooding. Project has to be approved by Federal Soil Conservation Service but they have not studied the project yet. Committees report on action is expected.

A motion was made and passed to ask Fred Akers, attorney, to request that Mr. Willard Munro, N.C.C. Drainage Engineer, come a week from today as a representative to the September Town Assembly to explain details of the N.C.C. Corporate Improvement Program for Hosein Creek at Mount Pleasant.

The report of the Community Planning Committee was accepted with thanks.

The Registration Committee that Carl Scherman had been informed of Trustee of Arden by reference...
There were 303 ballots cast representing 807.7
The 375 eligible voters - 25 over 40 - cast
and are counted ballots.

Copies of the Act to Reorganize the Village
Order 1: 1 copy to each Committee member
delivered to every household. As of June 1, there
are 374 eligible voters.

The Auditing Committee circulated its report.
If the Auditor's report is accepted, then the report
is circulated and accepted.

Advisory Committee reported that they had requested
that the Trustees form a volunteer committee
to determine a means of completing and preserving
the historical records of Arden and make
plans to have a history of Arden prepared.

A motion was made and passed to instruct
the Budget Committee to include up to $1000
in the Budget to pay for the expenses of the
compilation of the historical records of Arden.

Mrs. Frieda Herzig suggested that
Dr. Richmond Williams of the Hagley Foundation
could be of help in giving guidance on how to
proceed with the project. The Trustees are
asked to contact Dr. Richmond Williams.

Advisory Committee report - A letter was sent
to the Registrar outlining the problem of
mandated aid for public assistance enrollees
at the March town council. Parent were
urged to provide necessary control of their
children. Copies of the letter were given
to the clerks for distribution.
Under the recommendation of the Trustees, Mr. John Street, who has been elected for vacation time and taken while the Town is in a critical situation, the Select Committee recommends the formation of a two-way road which would permit officers and members of the State and County Police. The total cost would be $5,000. Needed street signs will be ordered when money is available from the Municipal Street and Fund in August.

The report of the Select Committee was accepted.

The Board of Civic Association, submitted by Mr. Frank Alterman, a new procedure has been devised by the Council for discussing highway plans with the State, and the Department of Public Works are held. The main purpose is to establish a mechanism for constructive exchange of ideas concerning proposed road changes. Each Civic Association is allowed to send a representative called a Commissioner who is also expected to attend quarterly meetings of the Council. A new policy for land representation of the Village is under consideration.

The report of the Representative to the B.C.C.A. was unanimously accepted.

A motion was made and carried that the Chairman of the Town Assembly appoint a representative to the Brookline Community Center Association.
School Trustees were asked what use could be made of a school building when schools are consolidated. The building belongs to the State School Board as of July 1, 1967, and is located in the Pleasant district. There is some possibility that the building will be used as a kindergarten.

Ardon Heights was discussed and Leon Tangue made a motion that the assets of the committee be turned over to the Merry-go-Rounders at that time. The functions of the Ardor Heights Committee be merged with the Merry-go-Rounders.

There was some discussion that the Merry-go-Rounders as a private group may not be willing to take on the work of the Ardor Heights - a Town Assembly Committee.

Pat Liberman felt that the remaining members of the committee should be consulted to find out if the duties of the committee might be handled by a smaller committee of representatives in the community.

The motion was tabled.

The final reading of Ordinance 1 - an ordinance to amend the Arden fifty code to comply with the act to incorporate Arden was not motion accepted.

The second reading of Ordinance 3 - an ordinance providing for the transfer of responsibility for certain local service functions (as might term is defined in Title 9, Oklahoma Code Section 11.01) from the Villagers to the County was read and the second reading was motion approved.
Under Host Welfare the Hon. Tamazh presented a written report concerning what he felt was an undesirable trend in the leaders. He outlined ideas of future citizens through death or emigration.

- Body may still be in Airel Club.
- Robin Hood Theatre's closed.
- Lumber records do not come down anymore.
- Many other losses also.

He suggested that we should have a publicity committee to inform community on future legislation. Even on the Council, possibly also federal, they might also be of benefit to help the Arden Committee.

The following motion was made and passed:

"A committee be formed of: 

- The following members:
  - Five members at large for each of three Arden communities,
  - All Treasurers of the three Arden Communities,
  - Three members from the Arden Club,
  - One member from the School Board.

This committee shall be requested to present to the Arden Communities after a period of study a series of recommendations on how to alert people of substance (not necessary money) who will intend to make their mark in our community and serve it well. Furthermore, the committee shall issue the first of its reports in later than January 1969.

The mechanism of carrying out the motion is as follows."
Chairman J. A. Toy convened a meeting of the committee and appointed Mr. Smith as the chairman. The committee will consist of members from Ardmore, Ardmore Golf Club, and Ardmore School Board to select their delegates for the committee.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Murphy
Secretary