

# **Civic Committee Meeting Minutes**

## **December 6, 2011**

### **Present**

Committee Members: Tom Wheeler, Ed Rohrbach, Rodney Jester  
Guests: Bill Theis, Steven Threefoot  
Town Secretary: Elaine Hickey

The meeting was convened at 7:01 PM.

### **Snow Issues**

#### *Fire Hydrant Markers*

The committee will purchase 30 snow pole reflectors, which Valerie found for \$3.15/ea., and install them around the Village so that the snow plower and fire department can see where the hydrants are located.

#### *Plowing Contract*

The contract will go to Burslem again this year. It will state that fire hydrants are not to be plowed-over and driveways that have been shoveled-out are not to be plowed-in. Also, the contractor is not to plow out residents' driveways while working on the Arden roads.

### **Roads**

#### *The Highway*

The Arden Club is concerned about rainwater running into the Gild Hall. Stripe-A-Lot has determined that the rainwater is running off the sidewalk and not The Highway, meaning the repair would be The Arden Club's responsibility.

#### *Meadow Lane*

Harmony Construction gave a bid of \$5,000 to remove the stump and roots of the tree that fell and to repair the road. Downing said he could do the job at an hourly rate and it should cost no more than \$2,000.

### **Winter Clean-Up**

Storm drains and Village paths need to be cleared. Tom will contact Larry Walker and Damien to do that work.

### **Spring House**

The Spring House spring is flowing heavily and running into the Memorial Garden. Larry Walker has proposed installing a drain pipe through the foundation for \$250. No decision made.

### **Sherwood Green**

Rodney will ask the Trustees for an update on the B Phillips leasehold survey. The committee would like to know exactly where Town land transferred to that leasehold in 1946 is located.

### **Renaming "A" Street**

Resident Sherry Burke has requested that the street that runs to her house, which is marked as "A" Street on the Town map, be renamed as "Cottage" Street. Her

leasehold is at the corner of Sherwood Lane and A Street. Her address is 2116 Sherwood Lane. No decision made.

**Trash/Recycling Pick-up**

The trash contract is based on pick-up stops. Town Chair Steven Threefoot feels we need to do an audit on those stops. The 2006 contract stated there were 235 stops and the 2009 contract stated 252 stops. We need to find out how that number was derived. The current contract expires on Sept. 2012. Steven feels that an audit is necessary not only because of the high cost of trash pick-up and the upcoming bidding process but also that the Assessors will be requesting information on how this contract is negotiated. Steven will talk to Waste Management to find out how we can go about doing an audit.

**Committee Member Elections**

Tom and Ed will run again. The committee will need two more names for the 2012 slate.

**Next meeting** – Tuesday, January 3, 7:00 PM, BWVC

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Hickey  
Secretary, Village of Arden