The regular Town Meeting of Ardentown was opened by the Town Chairman, Hans Francke, with a quorum of 26 residents.

A representative from the YWCA spoke about their new program for battered women. Renovations currently in progress at the YWCA were discussed as well as future plans.

There was no registration committee report as no member of the committee was present at the meeting.

Communications:

1. The deed was received from the register of deeds which officially conveys the roads of Ardentown to the Village of Ardentown, Inc. from the Trustees.

   Mr. Lovett read the Trustees financial report for the period covering 11-10-77 to 2-13-78. After the financial report was distributed Mr. Lovett spoke about a probable increase in school taxes of 59¢ per $100.

   Civic Committee report - Update of the road project. The road project bid has been awarded to Daisy Concrete. The job cost will be under the $149,000. grant.

   Community Planning Committee report: 1. The street signs that were being made by Doug Till have been installed. A plea was made to the townspeople that we try to keep the signs in place.

   2. The committee proposed that a Town bulletin board be placed in the grassy area between the two large trees next to the Candlelight parking lot. It was estimated that this would involve about $100.00 worth of materials.

   3. The committee is still investigating the confusion of house numbers on Millers Rd.

   4. The Town will apply funds totaling $10,800. available to the Town from the Community Development & Housing Block Grant for a Glen Conservation Project organized by the New Castle County Conservation District. This project was discussed by Chuck Beard of NCCCD. It will be educational and recreational and in addition to this program there will also be employment opportunities for 14-21 year old people (3-9 jobs). The prevailing minimum wage would be paid.

A motion was made and seconded that the Community Planning Committee pursue the environment project in the Glen with the New Castle County Conservation District.

The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded that the Community Planning Committee proceed with the installation of a bulletin board at the suggested site.
This motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded that the Civic Committee plan and carry out a spring cleanup in Ardentown.

This motion was passed unanimously.

Elections of the Assessment Committee

The following residents were elected to the Assessment Committee:

Harry Rich
Joseph Schomburg
Thomas Nelson

A motion was made, passed and seconded to have a dispensation to allow there to be as many nominations as there are vacancies for a committee or office.

The minutes from the last Regular Town Meeting were read and approved.

Budget Committee report:

Mr. Brandner distributed and reviewed the budget committee report.

The budget was approved as presented.

The proposed dog ordinance 77-2 was read for the third time. A vote was then taken and the ordinance passed by a vote of 16 - 2.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the Town Meeting write a letter of protest to the Candlelight Theater, Inc. concerning the trash being stored behind their building on Millers Road.

The Town Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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