

Village of Ardentown

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NOTICE

TOWN MEETING
at the Candlelight Theatre
(downstairs)

Monday, May 8, 2000
7:30 PM

AGENDA (partial)

ELECTIONS: Civic Committee - three members, two year term
Audit Committee - three members, one year term

7:00 PM SPECIAL PRESENTATION

A 15 to 20 minute special slide presentation will be presented at 7:00 pm before the regular Town Meeting at the Candlelight. This presentation, presented by Bev Barnett, focuses on the Ardens' use of our landscape for social reform, and how that goal is adversely impacted by the speed and volume of traffic on Harvey Road. Bev will be talking about the grid plan of Ardentown streets done within the context of the three Ardens' Garden City Design, and showing photos of Ardentown, among others.

Please Attend!

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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ARDENTOWN WAS CONVENED AT 7:30 PM ON FEBRUARY 14, 2000, DAVID SCOTT, CHAIRPERSON, PRESIDING. A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

In attendance were:

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| 1. Lisa Wilson Riblett | 21. Hardy Hoegger |
| 2. Stef Lombardo | 22. Maureen Gordon |
| 3. Annie Tang Gutsche | 23. Page Dwyer |
| 4. Oliver Gutsche | 24. Chris Cuttance |
| 5. Cheryl Regan | 25. Harry Themal |
| 6. Marylou Kime | 26. Barbara Mondzelewski |
| 7. Betty Solway Smith | 27. Pat Phillips |
| 8. Kate Bartolo | 28. Richard Mondzelewski |
| 9. Rusty Hoegger | 29. Jim Ficca |
| 10. Richard Cropper | 30. Wendy Barron |
| 11. Enno Krebbers | 31. Nick Liberman |
| 12. Doris J. Boller | 32. Robert Custer |
| 13. Pam Politis | 33. Robert DeNigris |
| 14. Mary Ann Nelson | 34. Dotty Verne |
| 15. Sue Coburn | 35. Shari Phalan |
| 16. Pete Coburn | 36. Betty Ann Themal |
| 17. Sarah Coburn | 37. Suzanne Cherrin |
| 18. David McClintock | 38. Judith Kay |
| 19. Sally Decker | |
| 20. Christopher Coburn | |

Others in attendance:

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| 1. Beverly Barnett | 5. Alton Dahl |
| 2. Lynda Kolski | 6. Jeff Steen |
| 3. Judy Morris Armstrong | 7. Amy Pollock |
| 4. Rick Rothrock | |

COMMUNICATIONS: David Scott, Chair

1. David asked people to introduce themselves the first time they speak because we have a number of people attending whom we may not recognize.
2. David McClintock asked David to clarify the voting procedure. David Scott noted that only Ardentown residents could vote but everyone was welcome to speak. David McClintock motioned that only residents of Ardentown be able to speak at this meeting. The motion was not seconded.
3. David Scott said he had received a letter from our State Rep., Wayne Smith, stating that Bond Money would be available for Road Maintenance.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara Mondzelewski

Checking: \$379.82

Savings: \$8,638.05

Municipal Street Aid: \$18,757.54

Arden Building & Loan: \$17,237.05

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The Minutes were unanimously approved.

ELECTIONS: Town Secretary - Lisa Wilson Riblett was unanimously re-elected for a one year term.

Memorial Garden Committee - Betty Solway Smith was unanimously re-elected for a four year term. Pat Phillips was unanimously elected for a four term.

Jack Brandner was applauded for his ten years of service to the Mem. Garden Com.

HARVEY ROAD TRAFFIC CALMING COMMITTEE: Enno Krebbers
More serious planning activity will begin later this year. At that time, the committee will want a lot of input from the Towns. Bev Barnett has stepped down as Chair. Everyone thanked Bev for her years of service. Walter Borders is the new Chair and Enno is the Vice Chair. Enno welcomes new members from Ardentown. Enno noted that the Harvey/Veale Roads intersection was not part of the HRTCC plan.

TOWN BUDGET 2000: Jack Brandner

Jack explained various parts of the Budget. A copy is attached. Hardy Hoegger motioned to increase the Reg. Com. Budget to \$300.00 to do refreshments to welcome new members during Town Meetings at the discretion of the Reg. Com. The motion was seconded. Betty Solway Smith motioned to amend the motion to have a separate Welcoming Party. The amended motion was unanimously accepted.

Kate Bartolo motioned we increase the Town Watch Budget to \$650.00. It was seconded and unanimously approved. Bob DeNigris asked all Town people to sign up for a couple of hours a few times per year. Jack Brandner motioned that the amended Budget be accepted. It was seconded and unanimously accepted.

TRUSTEES' BUDGET 2000: Bob DeNigris

Bob explained the 2000 Budget. A copy of this six page report is on file with the Secretary if anyone would like to read it. Bob noted that the BWVC now gets \$500.00 every year. Also, the Trustees purchased enough copies of THE ARDEN BOOK to give one to each household in Ardentown (see Betty Ann).

MEMORIAL GARDEN COMMITTEE: Rusty Hoegger, Chair
Rusty noted that all of the members of this Committee were very disappointed at the "trimming" of the Linden Trees on Harvey Road. Connectiv has offered to give us some replacement trees. Rusty wants to wait regarding this offer. Also, Rusty noted that the Committee is looking into revising the words of the Mem. Garden letter to make it clearer.

SUNNYSIDE REPORT: Chris Coburn, Steward
Chris had a first cleanup. Thanks to those who helped especially Richard Cropper for helping with trash removal.

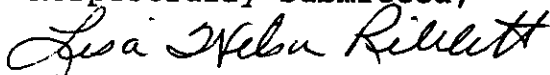
PAINTED ARROWS ON ARDENTOWN ROADS: David Scott, Chair
After many tries to get these arrows removed, we have not made any progress. At this time, the arrows are wearing off. Robert Custer motioned that we should send a letter to the Fire Company that we would use the fullest extent of the law if arrows were painted again on our roads. The motion was seconded. Chris Coburn and Page Dwyer expressed concern about us getting good service from the fire and ambulance company with this approach. Harry Themal said he is also mad but does not think we should send the letter. David McClintock felt that the letter would only have been effective after the incident. Harry noted that our lawyer sent them a letter. The motion was not carried - 1 yes and 35 no.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Betty Solway Smith motioned that the Town send a letter congratulating the new Fire Chief and hoping for a good new relationship. It was seconded and unanimously passed.
2. Stef Lombardo noted that the Pageant is coming in May and encouraged everyone to come in costume.

HOME OCCUPATION: Chris Coburn
David Scott gave some background info to bring everyone up - to-date. After much discussion from Ardentown, Ardencroft and Arden residents, Chris Coburn motioned that the Village of Ardentown adopt the amendments/exceptions to the home occupation ordinance (section 3.420 and section 33.221 of the New Castle County Code) as provided by New Castle County and dated January 18, 2000. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 32 yes and 1 no.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.
Respectfully submitted,


Lisa Wilson Riblett
Secretary