

Village of Ardentown

Established 1922
Incorporated 1975

Ardentown, Del. 19810

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ARDENTOWN WAS
CONVENED AT 7:30 P.M. ON MONDAY, MAY 14, 2001, DAVID SCOTT, CHAIR,
PRESIDING. A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

In attendance were:

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| 1. Lisa Wilson Riblett | 19. Dotty Verne |
| 2. David Scott | 20. Hardy Hoegger |
| 3. Cheryl Regan | 21. Maureen Gordon |
| 4. Joy Mulholland | 22. Kathleen Nadolny |
| 5. Enno Krebbers | 23. Joanne Lips |
| 6. Sarah Coburn | 24. Betty S. Smith |
| 7. Chris Coburn | 25. Annie Gutsche |
| 8. Katrina Nelson | 26. Pat Phillips |
| 9. Page Dwyer | 27. Hans Franke |
| 10. Lesley Holden | |
| 11. Rusty Hoegger | |
| 12. Robert E. DeNigris | Others: |
| 13. Barbara Mondzelewski | 1. Cindy Smith Cohen |
| 14. Shari Phalan | 2. Steven R. Cohen |
| 15. Betty Ann Themal | |
| 16. John Brandner | |
| 17. Harry Themal | |
| 18. Mary Ann Nelson | |

COMMUNICATIONS: David Scott, Chair

1. **Wayne Smith, State Representative**, sent information regarding a **Bond Bill** that would **fund road repairs** to suburban streets. This is on file if anyone would like to review it. Also, Wayne sent a reminder that there will be a **meeting on May 22, 2001 at Brandywine High School at 7:00 p.m.** by the Federal Aviation Administration and the Airport Department of the City of Philadelphia to **discuss concerns about the increasing volume of air traffic over our community**. Wayne also sent notification of **upcoming road work on the Darley Road Bridge** for a period of time this summer. David reminded everyone that Wayne is available every Tuesday from 7:00 to 7:30 a.m. at Brew Ha Ha for anyone who would like to speak with him.
2. David received a notice from the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control announcing a **Recycling Assistance Grant Program** to support recycling projects in Delaware. A copy is on file.
3. Ardentown received a letter from the Historic Preservation Office stating that the **nomination process to place the Ardens Historic District on the National Register of Historic Places is set to proceed. The public meeting will be on June 6, 2001 at Arsh Hall, Goodstay Campus, Wilmington, at 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

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4. David received a letter from Wilmington Area Planning Council regarding traffic concerns. Enno was given the survey for the HRTCC.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE: Dotty Verne, Chair

1. New lease holders: Cynthia and Steven Cohen, 2205 Loreley Road
2. New residents: Ed and Maureen Zarek, 2304 East Mall
Terry Johnson, 2201 Swiss Lane
Seth Baker, 2303 East Mall, Apt. 3
Joe Bonabita, 1505 Harvey Road, 2nd floor
Geri and William Creamer, 2209 Loreley Road

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara Mondzelewski

Checking Account: \$608.83

Savings Account: \$3,302.90

Municipal Street Aid: 0

Arden Building & Loan: \$30,545.07

Total Funds Available: \$34,456.80

Barbara noted that Town Watch has not been paid as we are waiting for an explanation of how the monies are spent. David will follow up on this.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT: Lesley Holden, Chair

Lesley reviewed the accounts of the Trustees and found the balances correct to the penny. A copy of this report is on file.

ELECTIONS:

Public Works and Safety Committee: Mary Ann Nelson, Cheryl Regan and Stef Lombardo were unanimously elected to a two year term.

Audit Committee: Lesley Holden and Kendra Murray were unanimously elected to a one year term.

Archives Representatives: Betty Solway Smith, Pat Phillips and Lisa Wilson Riblett were unanimously approved to be the reps from Ardentown to the Arden Craft Shop Museum and Archives.

Harvey Road Traffic Calming Committee: Beverley Fleming was unanimously approved as a rep.

SPECIAL TRUSTEES AGREEMENT RE: GREENS & PARKING ORDINANCE

Barbara Mondzelewski, Treasurer, was authorized to pay \$10.00 to the Trustees as payment from the Town giving the Town permission to enforce the Parking Ordinance (Ordinance #01-1). This document is on file for anyone who would like to read it.

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PARKING ORDINANCE #01-1: David Scott, Chair

The following Ordinance was brought before the Town for their consideration:

David read Section 1 of this Ordinance: Section 1. There shall be no parking on the roads or greens of Ardentown. An exception is the temporary parking of vehicles in the event of a weather emergency or for a special occasion. For the purposes of this ordinance the trustees of Ardentown have granted an enforcement access easement and license to the Village of Ardentown. (This topic was also discussed at the Feb. 2001 Meeting).

Harry Themal moved that we accept this Ordinance. Page Dwyer seconded . The Ordinance was unanimously approved.

TRUSTEES REPORT: Bob DeNigris

Walter Broadbent is making a wood sign for the Henry George Memorial Green which will be install as soon as it is finished.

PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT: Page Dwyer, Chair

1. Committee has been looking at our present needs for road signs and will decide what needs to be done soon.
2. We will be repainting speed bumps by July.
3. Some road repairs have been complete and some more will be done soon. Advise Page immediately if you have any pot holes or road concerns. Betty Solway Smith thanked the committee for the repairs in front of her house. David Scott noted that the Candlelight parking area needs to be repainted to keep people from parking too close to the road.
4. Jack Brandner asked about grant money that was noted in previous minutes for trees. He said we could use about 30 dogwoods. Page has not had a chance to look into it. Jack would like us to push forward with this. David asked Page to address this.

MEMORIAL GARDEN COMMITTEE REPORT: Rusty Hoegger, Chair

Rusty is trying to bring the water connection to completion. She hopes this will be done soon.

OLD BUSINESS: Police Patrols on Harvey.

The three Arden Chairs are working on the additional police patrols for Harvey Road. However, they are facing more bureaucracy than previously thought. David will report to us as more info is available.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Enno reported that DelDot says they are short staffed. New statistics that are important to the HRTCC are available and Enno will make a report for the Arden Page. The next Meeting is Tuesday, May 22. Enno will keep us informed as things begin to happen.
2. Mary Ann Nelson reported that the BWVC has new wood flooring in Rooms 1 to 4. Also, The Buzz has received a grant to have Art Shows. The BWVC receives

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\$8,000.00 each year from Arden. The Buzz will be losing the revenue of the Archives soon but we will get the stage back. The building needs to be painted but the windows need to be replaced so the BWVC is having an Auction in November. Mary Ann noted that we now have voting privileges on the BWVC Committee. Mary Ann was unanimously voted as our voting member. Hans asked Mary Ann to see if the BWVC has any written goals and rules we could have.

3. David said the **Cable Company** wants a 15 year agreement with us. David spoke with other communities to see what they do and found varying agreements. Page asked Bob DeNigris what would Henry George say. Harry felt that 5% is enough because the Town has no income. Shari asked if we were going to respond in writing and ask if they would bury the lines. Jack asked that we asked for a lesser time than 15 years. This was generally agreed by everyone. Hardy moved that we set a five year term. This was seconded by Harry. Mary Ann wants to know if we could get public notification access. David will look into this. Hans does not feel we should be taxed at all. The vote was unanimously accepted for five years. Harry moved that we agree to a 5% rate and it was seconded by Hardy. Enno was concerned about taxing some people for some luxuries but not others for their luxuries. He was not comfortable with this imbalance. Hans does not feel it is fair to tax some people. Shari also shared this concern. After much discussion, the voting was as follows: yes = 8, no = 13, abstain = 1. The 5% motion was defeated. Joanne Lips moved that we agree to 3%. Lesley seconded the motion. After further discussion, the voting was as follows: yes = 17, no = 6, abstain = 1. The motion was passed at 3%.

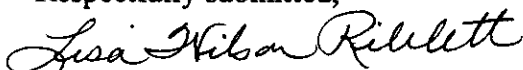
4. The **Harvey/Veale intersection** will be worked on in June. No exact date is available at this time. Page asked if a police officer would be on duty at the intersection. Pat Phillips and Lesley Holden asked if we have a choice on this. David said we will need to have detour signs put into place when we get a date. Enno said this is not part of the HRTCC. Enno said it was felt by DelDot that this striping would be beneficial from a safety perspective. He said we can tell DelDot what weekends we do not want i.e. the Arden Fair weekend. Betty Ann said we need to let the Candlelight know as soon as possible.

5. Joanne Lips said we need to sign up for our **oak trees** to be **sprayed** for gypsy moths if Ardentown wants this done. September 15 is the cut off date. Mary Ann said this spray kills all caterpillars i.e. butterflies. Mary Ann wants more info before we move on this. Barbara said we may not have enough money to cover this. Lisa said she is very reluctant to have her yard sprayed as everything is sprayed – kids toys, cats, vegetable gardens. Chris Coburn agreed to look into spraying the trees.

6. Cindy Smith Cohen asked for **help** with the **Arden Fair**.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Wilson Riblett, Secretary