

# Village of Ardentown

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## AGENDA

### TOWN MEETING

AT THE CANDLELIGHT THEATRE  
(downstairs)

Monday, February 8, 1999

7:30PM

1. TRUSTEES' REPORT: Bob DeNigris will present the budget with the increase in land rent rate.
2. INGLESIDE (formerly Kamin): Update of perspective buyer.
3. Y2K: Open discussion.
4. LONG TERM PLANNING: Discussion of re-establishing this as a committee. Led by David Scott.
5. BUDGET/ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE: Presentation of the Town Budget for 1999. Led by Jack Brandner and Betty Ann Themal.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

We have many important issues to discuss. Please plan to attend. Our meetings only last about an hour or so.



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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ARDENTOWN WAS CONVENED AT 7:30 PM ON NOVEMBER 9, 1998, CHRISTOPHER COBURN, CHAIR, PRESIDING. A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

In attendance were:

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Betty Ann Themal      | 16. Richard Mondzelewski |
| 2. Lee Till              | 17. Bard Klahr           |
| 3. Sarah Coburn          | 18. Nancy King           |
| 4. Ed Kime               | 19. Hardy Hoegger        |
| 5. Marylou Kime          | 20. David McClintock     |
| 6. Beth Holloway         | 21. Dotty Verne          |
| 7. Enno Krebbers         | 22. Betty Solway Smith   |
| 8. Joy Mulholland        | 23. Oliver Gutsche       |
| 9. Ray Lavoie            | 24. Joe Scanlon          |
| 10. David Scott          | 25. Lisa Wilson Riblett  |
| 11. Charles W. Till      | 26. Stefanie Lombardo    |
| 12. Chris Coburn         | 27. Jim Ficca            |
| 13. Robert DeNigris      | 28. John Brandner        |
| 14. Harry Themal         | 29. Maureen Gordon       |
| 15. Barbara Mondzelewski | 30. Page Dwyer           |

COMMUNICATIONS: Chris Coburn, Chair

Sunnyside Tract-

On Friday, November 6, 1998, Ardentown became the owner of the tract of land across the railroad tracks that we have been working on for many months. Chris has the Deed at this time. Chris is going to put together a committee to oversee this piece of land. Harry Themal motioned and it was seconded that Chris Coburn be the Ardentown Steward of Sunnyside. The motion was unanimously passed.

Guard rail at Harvey and Sconset-

David Scott spoke about the guard rail at the intersection of Harvey Road and Sconset Road. David Scott and Wayne Smith, State Rep., are working together to achieve a guard rail that would be safe and visually appealing.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE: Dotty Verne

Robert Godfrey has moved out of 1605 Orchard Road and Marcy Resnick has taken up residency there.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara Mondzelewski

Checking Balance: \$440.18

Savings Balance: \$20,035.31

Municipal Street Aid: \$6,961.64

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Minutes were approved.

HARVEY ROAD UPDATE: Harry reported the project is moving forward and Hardy Hoegger added that the next area to be worked on will be the intersection of Harvey and Veale.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT: Harry Themal

1. The tract of land (approximately 6 acres) that the Trustees own on the far side on the rail road tracks is being transferred to the Town.
2. Carol Berster of Ingleside called and reported that Mark Roth is interested in buying Ingleside. Mark Roth is interested in moving his corporate headquarters to this location. Harry added that all of this information is second hand and that the Trustees have not been contacted directly. Carol said she also has another prospective buyer in the wings. Nancy King asked if the Trustees have the right to say yes or no for anything the Mark Roth party may want to do. Harry said that our lawyers said the Trustees can say yes or no to anything. Harry said the county would need to be involved with zoning. Hardy Hoegger felt it would strengthen our interests if the Trustees contacted the present owners and prospective owners in writing regarding the rules/specifications/peculiar circumstances that apply to the sale of Ingleside. David McClintock said Linda Kolski of Arden was concerned that a big company might buy it and "lawyer us to death". Stefanie Lombardo said she agrees that this a good opportunity for the Town or the Trustees to go on the defensive. Harry said no matter who buys it, it will have to go through the Trustees at some point before Ingleside could sell it. (Trustees have to sign the transfer of the Lease before it can be sold.) Harry agreed to speak with the other Trustees and the lawyers to get advice. Bob DeNigris said he would like a consensus of the Town Meeting. Chris Coburn said the point of business is to get bigger and he is suspicious of Mark Roth going to Bob Weiner instead of us. Chris said we should dig in and fight it. Ed Kime asked if we could buy back Ingleside. Chris said unfortunately it would take \$2 million dollars that we do not have. Charlie Till said this is an Ardentown decision. Many others said even though it is an Ardentown decision, it does affect all three Ardens.

The following resolution was unanimously approved by the Town Meeting: THE ARDENTOWN MEETING OPPOSES ANY CHANGES IN THE USAGE OF THE PROPERTY.

MEMORIAL GARDEN: Jack Brandner, Chair  
Jack reported replacing some plants that had died.

CIVIC COMMITTEE: Page Dwyer, Chair

1. Road repairs are finished for this year.
2. Bob Osbourne is suppose to begin fixing the steps in the woods soon (end of Appletree).
3. Mr. Deramo is to begin cleaning the Circle soon (behind the Tills' house).
4. Oliver spoke about the status of the Playground including trash, fence damage and moving the bench. Beth Holloway spoke about the trash she found. Charlie said he suggests we call the police when we see the playground being used in a negative way. He also suggested we put up a sign saying no admittance after dark.

ELECTIONS:

The following officers were unanimously elected. David Scott will replace Chris Coburn as Town Chair. Chris has served his three year maximum term limit. Many thanks to Chris for his good service and especially his efforts on the Sunnyside Tract. Barbara Mondzelewski and Lisa Wilson Riblett were re-elected as Treasurer and Secretary respectfully. Hardy asked that the Town Chair change after the Sunnyside Ceremony or at the February 1999 Meeting. It was agreed that David would begin his term in February. Chris Coburn agreed to fill David's remaining term on the Civic Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Secretary

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