

AMBLER BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

June 17, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of Ambler Borough Council was held Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Borough Council Chambers located at 122 E. Butler Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania 19002. Council President Sal Pasceri presided.

Mr. Pasceri called the Council Meeting to order. Mayor Sorg led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – Present: Mr. Pasceri, Mr. Amento, Mr. Curtis, Mr. Zaccone, Mr. DeRuosi, Mrs. Deininger, Mrs. McCormick, Mr. Palumbo and Mr. Sheward. Mayor Sorg, Solicitor Bresnan, Chief William Foley and Borough Manager Mary Aversa also were in attendance.

A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the May 21, 2014 Council Meeting. Seconded. Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Committees of Ambler Borough Council met Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 E. Butler Avenue. Present: Mr. Pasceri, Mr. Amento, Mr. Curtis, Mrs. Deininger, Mrs. McCormick and Mr. Sheward. Mayor Sorg, Chief Foley, Solicitor Bresnan and Borough Manager Mrs. Aversa also were present. Mr. Zaccone, Mr. DeRuosi and Mr. Palumbo were absent.

At the Council Meeting this evening, the Committees conducted business as follows:

Public Safety Committee – Mr. Curtis, Chairperson

Committee members: Mrs. McCormick, Mr. Sheward

The Public Safety Committee report was given this evening by Mr. Curtis.

The Committee will consider the following actions this evening:

1. A draft application form for large events has been prepared and Committee will consider the application requiring at \$25 refundable deposit.

In other business the following was reviewed this evening:

1. The May 2014 Police Department and Fire Department reports were received.
2. The May 2014 Ambulance Association report was received.
3. The May 2014 Public Works and Code Enforcement reports were reviewed.

Mr. Curtis asked if there were comments or questions from Council or the public. There being nothing further, it was moved the Committee's report be accepted as filed. Seconded, carried.

Parks and Recreation Committee – Mr. DeRuosi, Chairperson

Committee members: Mrs. Deininger, Mrs. McCormick, Mr. Palumbo

The Parks and Recreation Committee report was given this evening by Mr. DeRuosi.

The Committee will consider no actions this evening.

In other business the following was reviewed this evening:

1. Movies in the Parks schedule for the summer is as follows: 'Frozen' (June 20th at Pickering Field); 'Despicable Me' (August 14th at Ricciardi Park); and 'Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2' (September 12th at Knights Park).
2. YMCA/Knights Park Summer Camp begins June 23rd. Residents may continue to register their children at the YMCA facility.

Mr. DeRuosi asked if there were comments or questions from Council or the public. Several Council Members stated their appreciation to Borough employees for their Arts & Music Festival efforts. There being nothing further, it was moved the Committee's report be accepted as filed. Seconded, carried.

Public Utilities Committee – Mr. Amento, Chairperson

Committee members: Mr. Curtis, Mr. Zaccone

The Public Utilities Committee report was given this evening by Mr. Amento.

The Committee will consider the following actions this evening:

1. The Commonwealth Financing Authority will make grant funds available through the County Local Share Account Program for water supply projects. Passage of Resolution 2014-04 authorizing application for the Well 8 Chlorine Contact Tank Project is recommended.
2. Recommend awarding WWTP Control Building Roof contract to Banes Roofing for the low quote of \$228,256.00.

In other business the following was reviewed this evening:

1. The WWTP Supervisor's and Engineer's reports were reviewed.

3. Water Department will commence system hydrant flushing on June 30, 2014 from Sunday evenings through Friday mornings.

Mr. Amento asked if there were questions or comments from Council or the public. There being nothing further, it was moved the report be accepted and filed. Seconded, carried.

Finance and Planning Committee - Mr. Sheward, Chairperson

Committee Members: Mr. DeRuosi, Mrs. Deininger

The Finance and Planning Committee report was given this evening by Mr. Sheward.

The Committee will consider the following actions this evening:

1. Consideration that **May 2014** invoices in the amount of **\$480,304.79** are to be paid as follows: General (**\$116,173.56**); Street Lights (**\$205.31**); Fire (**\$35,248.98**); Parks & Rec. (**\$11,238.81**); Water (**\$79,131.48**); Sewer (**\$130,338.81**); WWTP (**\$108,351.47**); Rail Corridor (**\$0.00**); Road Overlay (**\$0.00**); Debt Fund (**\$0.00**); Water Capital (**\$0.00**); Liquid Fuels (**\$1,309.66**) with voided checks totaling \$1,693.29.

In other business the following was reviewed this evening:

1. The Borough Engineer's report was received.
2. The Flood Plain Ordinance to modify Borough Code is in the review process at the Montgomery County Planning Commission.
2. The Planning Commission is researching draft ordinance language to regulate Wireless Communications Towers & Antennas.
3. The Borough will request that the Planning Commission review the Parking Ordinance for specific uses and make a recommendation to Council.
4. A letter and sketch were received with applicant Mr. Cellini requesting permission to construct a pedestrian entrance from the Cavalier Lot to Poplar Street. Mr. Cellini has been given permission to prepare plans for the new entrance, with Council stipulating that the new entrance meet Borough code requirements and engineer's approval.

Mr. Sheward asked if there were questions or comments from Council or the public. There being nothing further, it was moved the report be accepted and filed. Seconded, carried.

Salary and Personnel Committee – Mr. Zaccone, Chairperson

Committee members: Mr. Amento, Mr. Curtis, Mr. Palumbo

The Salary and Personnel Committee report was given this evening by Mr. Zaccone.

The Committee will consider no actions this evening.

In other business the following was reviewed this evening:

1. The Environmental Advisory Council has several vacancies and is looking for interested candidates.
2. An Executive Session on a personnel matter is required.

Mr. Zacone asked if there were questions or comments from Council or the public. There being nothing further, it was moved the report be accepted and filed. Seconded, carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Public Safety Committee – The Committee recommends and Mr. Curtis moves:

Approval of a draft application form for large events requiring at \$25 refundable deposit. Seconded. Carried.

Parks & Recreation Committee – The Committee will make no recommendations this evening.

Public Utilities Committee – The Committee recommends and Mr. Amento moves:

Passage of Resolution 2014-04 authorizing application for the Well 8 Chlorine Contact Tank Project is recommended. Seconded. Carried.

Awarding the WWTP Control Building Roof contract to Banes Roofing for the low quote of \$228,256.00. Seconded. Carried.

Finance & Planning Committee – The Committee recommends and Mr. Sheward moves:

Consideration that **May 2014** invoices in the amount of **\$480,304.79** be paid. Seconded. Carried.

Salary & Personnel Committee – The Committee will make no recommendations this evening.

There being no further business, Mr. Pasceri moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Russell
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Borough of Ambler