



BOROUGH OF AMBLER

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

MAY 20, 2015

7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Sal Pasceri

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Jeanne Sorg

MAYOR'S MINUTE - Honoring Troop 3

ROLL CALL: Ms. Mary Aversa

MINUTES APPROVED

April 21, 2015

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**PUBLIC SAFETY
PARKS & RECREATION
PUBLIC UTILITIES
FINANCE & PLANNING
SALARY & PERSONNEL**

Public Safety Committee

The Committee Meeting was held on May 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 E. Butler Avenue. Committee members: Edward Curtis (Chair), Sharon Mc Cormick, Jonathan Sheward. Absent: Mr. Zaccone.

The Committee will consider the following recommendation.

1. A recommendation is requested to adopt Resolution 2015-8 to suspend enforcement of Ordinance 748 on June 12th and 13th during the Art and Music Festival.

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Police Department report is **attached**.
2. The Fire Department report is **attached**.
3. The Community Ambulance report is **attached**.
4. The Public Works Report and the Code Enforcement reports were received.

Parks and Recreation Committee

The Committee Meeting was held on May 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 E. Butler Avenue. Committee Members: Frank DeRuosi (Chair), Nancy Deininger, Richard Palumbo, Sharon Mc Cormick. Absent: Mr. Zaccone.

The Committee will make no recommendations.

The following business will be discussed.

1. Staff is finalizing family movie selections and showing dates for the summer Movies in the Parks series. All movies are free and will begin at dusk.
Schedule:
ANNIE (Columbia Pictures – 2014) Knight Park, Wednesday, June 24
CINDERELLA (Disney - 2015) The New Borough Hall, Thursday, August 6
BIG HERO 6 (Disney - 2014) Pickering Field, Friday, September 18
2. Ambler Borough YMCA Camp Registration was held on May 6, 2015. Residents are still able to register at the Ambler Area YMCA.
3. Staff will attend the 2015 Growing Greener Watershed Protection grant application workshop.

Public Utilities Committee

The Committee Meeting was held on May 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 E. Butler Avenue. Committee Members: Peter Amento (Chair), Claudio Zaccone, Edward Curtis. Absent: Mr. Zaccone.

The Committee will consider the following recommendations.

1. Authority to commit to participate in discussions to explore an alternative watershed wide effort to restore the Wissahickon is requested. This process is intended to develop and implement a plan for water quality improvement. This specifically relates to the WWTP-TMDL, Total Maximum Daily Load and the Borough MS4- Storm Water requirements. The purpose is to develop a strategy that is mutually agreeable and achievable by all parties. **(attached)**
2. The **attached** detail is for the refinance of the Water Bond, proposals were received. Based on the proposals, a loan is the best option for the Borough. An Ordinance will be provided and a recommendation to advertise is requested.
3. Proposals were received for the Digester T-10 /Phase II Maintenance and Repairs. A recommendation to award to C&T Associates Inc., for \$159,700. is requested. **(attached)**

The following business was discussed.

1. The Waste Water Treatment Plant Supervisor and Engineer reports were received.
2. Water Department is compiling information and obtaining quotes for new water billing and water infrastructure software system.
3. Borough Solicitor has been in communication with Verizon regarding their request to amend and continue lease agreement at the Houston Tank.

Finance and Planning Committee

The Committee Meeting was held on May 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 E. Butler Avenue. Committee Members: Jonathan Sheward, (Chair) Frank DeRuosi and Nancy Deininger. Absent: Mr. Zaccone.

The Committee will consider the following recommendations.

1. That the April 2015 invoices be paid as follows:

#	Fund	Pre Paid APRIL	APRIL 1st Run	APRIL 2nd Run	TOTALS
1	GENERAL	\$ 16,226.73	\$117,710.06	\$161,364.79	\$295,301.58
2	STREET LGTS		\$1,145.58	\$4,711.85	\$5,857.43
3	FIRE				\$0.00
5	PARKS & REC		\$290.58	\$890.79	\$1,181.37
6	WATER	\$ 1,051.12	\$14,422.64	\$62,248.25	\$77,722.01
8	SEWER	\$ 230.12	\$2,826.04	\$8,488.02	\$11,544.18
9	WWTP	\$ 1,322.09	\$273,551.90	\$78,799.36	\$353,673.35
18	RAIL CORRIDOR				\$0.00
19	ROAD OVERLAY				\$0.00
23	DEBT FUND				\$0.00
30	WATER CAPITAL				\$0.00
35	LIQUID FUELS		\$1,720.50		\$1,720.50
TOTALS		\$ 18,830.06	\$411,667.30	\$316,503.06	\$747,000.42
VOID CHECKS			\$0.00		\$0.00
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 18,830.06	\$ 411,667.30	\$ 316,503.06	\$ 747,000.42

2. A request was received from Mr. John Zaharchuk to send a letter in support of an extension needed for the RACP Grant (Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program). Due to the significant costs associated with the environmental remediation of the Crossings at Ambler project, this development can only proceed if the remaining funds under the Grant are made available to the project. **(attached)**

Recommended at Committee Meeting

1. A hearing was held and Ordinance- 1084 recommending a Zoning Map change for 122 E. Butler from Institutional to Downtown Commercial was adopted. (8-Aye)

The following business was discussed.

1. The Borough Engineer's report was received.
2. The Borough Planning Commission has reviewed the Parking Ordinance and provided draft language for consideration. **Comments are being accepted.**
3. The Planning Commissions reviewed the revised Zoning Map amendment to include automotive sales as a permitted use. The solicitor has prepared the **attached** Ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Proposals are being requested for the Auction of the Borough Building at 122 E. Butler Avenue.
2. A request was received to send letters of support for the Co-op on behalf of Borough Council. (**attached**)

Salary & Personnel Committee

The Committee Meeting was held on May 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 E. Butler Avenue. Committee Members: Claudio Zaccone (Chair), Pete Amento, Edward Curtis, Richard Palumbo.
Absent: Mr. Zaccone.

The Committee will make no recommendations.

The following business was discussed.

1. A letter from Mr. Palumbo was received announcing his resignation effective following the May 21, 2015, Council Meeting. We wish Mr. Palumbo and his Family best wishes on their relocation and thank him for his service to the Borough of Ambler.
2. Resumes are being accepted for the Ward 2 Council vacancy.
3. An employee from the WWTP will be retiring in July, the vacancy will be advertised.

Recommendations

Public Safety Committee

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Parks and Recreation

Public Utilities Committee

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An Ordinance will be provided for the Bond Refinance; a recommendation to advertise is requested.

Authority to commit to participate in discussions to explore an alternative watershed wide effort to restore the Wissahickon is requested.

Finance and Planning Committee

Recommend that the April 2015 invoices be paid in the amount of **\$747,000.42**.

A request was received from Mr. John Zaharchuk to send a letter in support of an extension needed for the RACP Grant. (Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program) Due to the significant costs associated with the environmental remediation of the Crossings at Ambler project.

Salary and Personnel Committee