Minutes Ambler Borough Planning Commission

March 22, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 E. Butler Avenue Ambler, PA 19002. Chairman Steve Ware presided.

Roll Call: Present: Mr. Ware, Mr. LaGreca, Mr. Mulroy, Ms. Andrews, Mr. Amento, Mr. Boccuti, Ms. DiPietro, and Mr. Kanaplue. Mr. Ennis, County Planner was in attendance. Mr. Dougherty, Borough Engineer, was excused from the meeting.

Mr. LaGreca moved the February 22, 2011 minutes be approved with one correction (replace the words power point with one page), seconded by Mr. Boccuti, Carried (9-0).

Before conducting any business at tonight's planning commission meeting Mr. Ware asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of George Benigno. Mr. Benigno was life a long resident, retired Ambler Borough employee, secretary for the planning commission, member of the local Fire Department and very active in many social groups within the borough.

Old Business

1. Mr. Ennis distributed a nine-page memo that highlighted areas of each chapter of the Comprehensive Plan for the planning commission to review and discuss possible updates and changes per chapter at the next meeting in April. Also the planning commission requested that they would like electronic copies of the entire Comprehensive plan, if they were available for distribution.

New Business

1. Mr. Myers explained to the commission that council would like the commission to review the wording change in the draft Vending Machine Ordinance from the last sentence of section 5 of the proposed ordinance that states that "Only one machine is permitted outside of each business." To say "Only one machine is permitted per tax parcel except that in the case of a business operating on more than one contiguous tax parcel, only one machine is permitted for that business. Mr. LaGreca suggested he would like to see wordage in the draft ordinance addressing wall mounted ATM machines for financial institutions. After some discussion by the commission on the matter of addressing ATM machines Mr. LaGreca make a motion to approve the wordage change suggested by council and also to add wordage to section 1 stating "wall mounted ATM machines used in conjunction with financial institutions and newspapers are not within the scope of this definition. Motion was seconded by Ms DiPietro and the commission voted unanimously (9-0) to recommend approving.

Mr. Lagreca moved the meeting be adjourned, Seconded & Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.

Ronald E. Myers, Sr. Code Enforcement Officer Zoning Officer / B.C.O.