

AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF JUNE 24, 2014, MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, June 24, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 East Butler Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania. Chairman Steven Ware presided.

Roll Call: Present: Peter Amento, Salvatore A. Boccuti, Al Comly, Carol Ann DiPietro, Dan McCormick, William Mulroy and Steve Ware. Meredith Curran Trego, Montgomery County Planner, and Ronald E. Myers, Sr., Ambler Borough Code Enforcement Officer. James Dougherty, of Gilmore and Associates, Inc., Borough Engineer, was excused from attendance.

Robert Lagreca and Elizabeth Iovine were excused from attendance.

Salvatore Boccuti made a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting of May 27, 2014, with a correction. William Mulroy seconded the motion.

OLD BUSINESS:

Council recommends the Planning Commission review and recommend revisions to the Parking Ordinance for specific uses. The parking requirements for certain uses were discussed. The County Planner prepared a Memo outlining suggested parking calculations for a financial institution use which is not presently included in the Zoning Ordinance for Ambler. She also suggested that a parking calculation for a mixed use property should require each proposed use to be taken into consideration when the calculation is determined, i.e., retail on first floor, office on second and apartment on third. In addition, she asked if the Borough would want to consider providing parking calculation formulas for several uses not currently set forth in the Code, such as studio, club/lodge, laundry and/or dry cleaning. There was also discussion in regard to establishing an approach on how to allow the municipal parking lots to figure into a business' parking calculation. Several years ago this was discussed, but a formula was never finalized.

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

CONTINUED BUSINESS FOR JULY 22, 2014, MEETING

Further discussion and review of proposed parking requirement changes for certain uses. The County Planner will bring some suggested formulas for parking calculations for certain uses not presently included in our Zoning Ordinance. Further discussion on an approach on how to figure the parking lots into a requirement for a business property.

Several residents were in attendance. Several residents participated in the parking calculation discussion.

Steven Ware moved that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Ann DiPietro
Recording Secretary,
AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION