## AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 25, 2015, MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, August 25, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania. Chairman Robert Lagreca called the meeting to order and presided.

**Roll Call**: Present: Joshua Kanaplue, Christopher Twohig, Elizabeth Iovine, Carol Ann DiPietro, Salvatore Boccuti, William Mulroy, Peter Amento and Robert C. Legreca. Also in attendance: Lauren Van Dyk, Montgomery County Planner, and Glenn Kucher, Ambler Borough Code Enforcement Officer.

Al Comly, Jr., and James Dougherty, of Gilmore and Associates, Inc., Borough Engineer, were excused from attending.

Peter Amento made a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting of July 28, 2015, William Mulroy seconded the motion.

## NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Review the revised proposed draft Ordinance language regarding the Borough steep slope conservation district looking to protect and encourage maintenance of the Borough's environmental resources. The County Planner presented a new draft incorporating previous months' comments. This draft proposed combining flood plain with the steep slope language. The Planning Commission members believe the Ordinance should be for steep slopes of 25% or greater and not to include "precautionary slopes" of 20%. One question left unanswered is whether to distinguish between man-made and natural slopes and urban areas such as Butler Avenue. The County Planner will bring information to the September meeting for discussion.

Review the revised proposed draft Ordinance language regarding the Borough riparian corridor conservation district looking to protect and encourage maintenance of the Borough's environmental resources. The County Planner presented a new draft incorporating previous months' comments. This draft proposed combining language incorporating the woodlands and wetlands with the riparian corridor conservation concerns. There was discussion regarding adding a percentage to the Woodlands/Woodlands Area definition.

The County Planner will bring revised drafts to the September, 2015, meeting for discussion

## **CONTINUED BUSINESS FOR THE SEPTEMBER, 2015, MEETING**

On-going review of the possible suggestions for the environmental resources ordinances to focus on Woodlands, Wetlands, Flood Plain, Steep Slope and Riparian concerns.

A number of residents were in attendance:

| Rich Wilson          | 315 Daniel Drive   |
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| Judy Baigas          | 172 Tennis Avenue  |
| Mary Margaret Monser | 372 Forest Avenue  |
| Brook Marshall       | 157 Edgewood Drive |
| Bernadette Dougherty | 338 Tennis Avenue  |
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William Mulroy moved and seconded by Salvatore Boccuti to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

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