

AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF AUGUST 23, 2016, MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, August 23, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania. Secretary Carol Ann DiPietro called the meeting to order.

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

Al Comly, Jr., Robert Lagreca and James Dougherty, Borough Engineer, were excused from attending.

Salvatore Boccuti made a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting of July 26, 2016, Elizabeth Iovine seconded the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

Weavers Way Food Co-op – 559 Carpenter Lane, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19119, requests a Conditional Use to open a member-owned, full-service grocery store at 217 E. Butler Avenue, formerly Bottom Dollar site. John Roesser presented the application requesting a Conditional Use Hearing for a grocery store to occupy the vacant Bottom Dollar building. The footprint of the building would not change, but the proposal is to install a full-service commercial kitchen to make prepared foods to sell with a small eating area inside the building. A Motion was made by Peter Amento and seconded by William Mulroy to make a recommendation to Council to schedule the Conditional Use Hearing. The vote taken was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

Review the proposed language regarding proposed revisions to Bank/Financial Institution Parking requirements in the parking ordinance. The County Planner brought a memo she prepared as a result of discussion at the July, 2016, meeting. The Planning Commission members had no further comments. The memo will be provided to the Borough Solicitor to prepare a proposed Ordinance for review at a future Planning Commission Meeting.

Input is requested on potential uses for the recent acquisition of the parcel at the corner of Butler and Park in front of the CVS parcel by the Borough. The Planning Commission members suggested a number of ideas. The secretary will prepare a memo for discussion at the September, 2016, meeting.

CONTINUED BUSINESS FOR THE SEPTEMBER, 2016, MEETING

Input requested on potential uses for the recent acquisition of the parcel at the corner of Butler and Park. Memo with various suggestions will be discussed.

Several residents were in attendance:

Judy Baigas	172 Tennis Avenue
Chris Raines	339 Mattison Avenue
Matt Cooley	228 Fulling Mill Road
Bernadette Dougherty	338 Tennis Avenue
Rich Wilson	315 Daniel Drive

Elizabeth Iovine made a motion at 8:15 seconded by Sal Boccuti to adjourn.

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