

AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 22, 2016, MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, November 22, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania. Chairman Robert Lagreca called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Present: Joshua Kanaplue, Elizabeth Iovine, Carol Ann DiPietro, Salvatore Boccuti, William Mulroy, Al Comly, Jr., and Robert Lagreca. Also in attendance: Lauren Van Dyk, Montgomery County Planner, and Glenn Kucher, Ambler Borough Code Enforcement Officer

Peter Amento, Christopher Twohig and James Dougherty, Borough Engineer, were excused from attending.

Salvatore Boccuti made a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting of September 27, 2016, William Mulroy seconded the motion. No meeting was held in October as the only Agenda item was the Park and Butler Avenues Parcel and the County had not completed its presentation of the Concept Plans.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Input is requested by Council for 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. Lauren Van Dyk and Sara Richardson, from the Montgomery County Planning Commission, provided Concept Plans for discussion incorporating some of the wish-list items the Planning Commission Members have been discussing for the past several months. Glenn Kucher offered to prepare a Memo for Council to provide an update on the design ideas that have been offered by the Commissions. Lauren and Sara will plan to attend the December 6, 2016, Council meeting to present their Concept Plans and answer any questions. The Planning Commission Members would like to have input from Council on the direction for their proposal to create a park-like, town-square use for this parcel. Many uses have been suggested for the finished space. However, the majority of the ideas are to not create fixed uses/permanent structures, but to encourage open, attractive space where a variety of events and functions can be held and a variety of organizations can utilize the space. The Planning Commissions, both

the County and Ambler, are looking forward to working together to make this project happen. It will be an eye-catching “green space” among the business properties around it and an attractive asset to the Borough and the community.

CONTINUED BUSINESS FOR THE DECEMBER, 2016, MEETING

The “Park Square Parcel”

Several residents were in attendance; among them were:

Frank DeRuosi	300 Mattison Avenue
Nancy Deininger	156 Tennis Avenue
Rich Wilson	315 Daniel Drive

Elizabeth Iovine made a motion at 8:10 seconded by William Mulroy to adjourn.

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