



BOROUGH OF AMBLER

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

August 15, 2017

7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Sal Pasceri

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Ed Curtis

ROLL CALL: Ms. Mary Aversa

MINUTES APPROVED

July 18, 2017

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY

PUBLIC UTILITIES

FINANCE & PLANNING

PARKS & RECREATION

SALARY & PERSONNEL

Public Safety Committee

The Committee meeting was held August 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee members: Edward Curtis (Chair), Sharon McCormick, Jonathan Sheward. Absent: Ms. McCormick.

The Committee will consider the following recommendation.

1. Approval is requested to execute the winter service agreement from PENNDOT. **(attached)**

Approved at Committee Meeting

Recommend adoption of **Resolution 2017-10** suspending Ordinance 738 on August 19th, for persons attending the Criterium Bike Race. (8-Aye)

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Police Department report is **attached**.
2. The Fire Department report is **attached**.
3. The Community Ambulance report is **attached**.
4. The Public Works and the Code Enforcement reports were received.
5. The Red Cross will be holding another Blood Drive at Borough Hall on September 8, 2017 from 2:00pm-7:00pm.



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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

7000 Geerdes Blvd.
King of Prussia, PA 19406

July 21, 2017

RECEIVED
JUL 24 2017
AMBLER BOROUGH

Winter Traffic Services Agreement

Dear Municipal Officials:

Attached is the Exhibit "A" for 2017/2018 season for the above mentioned agreement in your municipality.

We have received approval to offer an increased rate based on Maintenance Functional Classification (MFC) as outlined below. Please review exhibit carefully. If there are any discrepancies or questions concerning the exhibit, mark them in **red ink** and return it.

MFC	"B"	"C"	"D"/"E"
	\$1,183.04	\$1,105.04	\$1,023.05

If your municipality accepts the exhibit as it is presented, we are asking that you complete the form at the bottom of this letter and return it to Amy Cosgrove at 7000 Geerdes Blvd., King of Prussia, PA 19406.

If you wish to terminate your agreement with the Department, please notify this office within two weeks from the date of receipt of this letter. Questions or comments can be referred to Amy Cosgrove at 610-205-6755.

Thank you for your participation in this program.

Sincerely,

John F. Kralczyk
Assistant District Executive - Maintenance
District 6-0

Municipality: BOROUGH OF AMBLER Phone No.: 215-646-1000
Contact Person: Mary Aversa County: MONTGOMERY
Address: 131 Rosemary Ave Ambler Pa 19002

Montgomery
Ambler Borough

COUNTY
MUNICIPALITY

YEAR	3 of 5	AGREEMENT #	3900037609
		WINTER SEASON	<u>2017-2018</u>

[illegible]

The Municipality will be compensated with a lump sum payment in the amount indicated as Total Cost, and as adjusted by the Department of Transportation at the end of each year. The Municipality will be compensated with an adjustment to offset severe winters at the following rate. The Municipality will receive an adjustment equal to the percentage of the Department's actual costs (for similar roads serviced) over and above the five year average for a particular county less a \$1,000,000 deductible for Municipalities with agreements totaling \$5,000,001 or more and a \$500,000 deductible for all others.

^a B ^a rate/lane	1183.04	LANE TOTALS	0.96	LINEAR MILES
^c C ^c rate/lane	1105.04			
^d D ^d rate/lane	1023.05			
^e E ^e rate/lane	1023.05			
		LANE TOTALS	0.00	
		MFC ^a B ^a	0.00	
		MFC ^c C ^c	0.00	
		MFC ^d D ^d	1.92	
		MFC ^e E ^e	0.00	
		TOTAL	1.92	LANE TOTALS

Wissahickon Fire Company

Year 2017 Summary

Chiefs Report

Types of Calls	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Total	
								YTD	
Accident Standby	1				3			4	1.2%
AFA Actual	6	7	15	4	8	6	8	54	15.9%
AFA False	9	5	17	21	21	15	12	100	29.5%
Brush		1	1	2	5	2	1	12	3.5%
CO Detector	1	1	2	1	4		1	10	2.9%
Commercial Building	4	2		2	3	4	4	19	5.6%
Elevator Rescue					2	1	1	4	1.2%
EMS Assist			2		1			3	0.9%
FAST Team Assist	3				1	1		5	1.5%
Gas Odor Inside	2	2		1	1	1		7	2.1%
Gas Odor Outside			2	3	1		1	7	2.1%
Helicopter Landing		1						1	0.3%
Non Commercial Building	12	3		1	4	5	1	26	7.7%
Officer Investigation	2	3	2	2	1	4	3	17	5.0%
Residential Rescue		1						1	0.3%
Smoke In Area			1	1	1	2		5	1.5%
Special Service			1					1	0.3%
Standby	1			2	1	1		5	1.5%
Traffic Unit Assist	1	2	3		3	4	3	16	4.7%
Trash	1		1			1	1	4	1.2%
Vehicle Fire		2	3	1		2	1	9	2.7%
Vehicle Leaking Fuel			1					1	0.3%
Vehicle Rescue	2	1	4	1	2	1		11	3.2%
Water Flow False	1	2			1			4	1.2%
Water Rescue						1		1	0.3%
Wires			3	2		6	1	12	3.5%
Total	46	33	58	44	63	57	38	339	100.0%

Townships	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Total	
								YTD	
Ambler	12	12	18	18	19	18	14	111	32.7%
Lower Gwynedd	18	16	31	15	25	24	19	148	43.7%
Conshohocken				1				1	0.3%
East Norriton						1		1	0.3%
Horsham	2			1	3	1		7	2.1%
Lower Frederick				1				1	0.3%
Montgomery	4	3	1	1	2	3	2	16	4.7%
Norristown					1			1	0.3%
Springfield			1					1	0.3%
Upper Dublin	-		2	1	3	3	1	10	2.9%
Warrington - Bucks County		1			1			2	0.6%
Whitemarsh	3		3	4	4	6	1	21	6.2%
Whitpain	5	1	2	2	5	1	1	17	5.0%
Total	46	33	58	44	63	57	38	339	100.0%

Day Calls - Mon/Fri 6am- 6pm	24	16	31	22	27	22	17	159	46.9%
Total Personnel to Day Calls	315	142	349	257	296	260	182	1,801	
Total Per Day Call	13	9	11	12	11	12	11	11	

Night and Weekend Calls	22	17	27	22	36	35	21	180	53.1%
Total Personnel to Night Calls	400	228	353	287	597	507	290	2,662	
Total Per Night & Weekend Call	18	13	13	13	17	14	14	15	

All Calls	46	33	58	44	63	57	38	339	
Total Personnel to All Calls	715	370	702	544	893	767	472	4,463	
Total Per Call	16	11	12	12	14	13	12	13	

Monday Night Training Drills	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	
Total Personnel to Drill	174	142	132	122	151	147	144	1,012	
Total Per Drill	44	36	33	31	38	37	36	36	

Mary Aversa

From: Jay Leadbeater <jleadbeater@clxlogistics.com>
Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 8:08 AM
To: 'Mary Aversa'
Subject: WFC Chiefs report for July 2017
Attachments: Total Year 2017.xls

Mary, sorry for the delay, things are really well, hopefully, with you also.



**Wissahickon Fire Company
Daily Breakdown of Fire Calls
Thru July 2017**

	Day 6am to 6pm	Night 6pm to 6am	Total
Monday	32	22	54
Tuesday	42	11	53
Wednesday	36	26	62
Thursday	25	20	45
Friday	25	22	47
Saturday	30	15	45
Sunday	19	14	33
TOTAL	209	130	339
	62%	38%	

Jay Leadbeater
Fire Chief – WFC
215/828-1633

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BUSINESS: (215)-643-6517
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Ambler Borough Statistics – 2017

<u>Month</u>	<u>Calls in Borough</u>	<u>Total Calls for CAAA</u>
January	52	210
February	55	208
March	34	222
April	63	241
May	60	252
June	53	232
July	51	195
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
YTD Totals	368	1,560

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Public Utilities Committee

The Committee meeting was held August 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Claudio Zaccone (Chair), Sal Pasceri, Edward Curtis. Absent: Ms. McCormick.

The Committee will recommend the following.

1. Bids have been received for the Lafayette Avenue Water Main Replacement Project. Recommend awarding the Bid to Ankiewicz Enterprises Inc in the amount of \$177,225.00. This project involves replacement of 1,300 feet of 6-inch water main and associated restorations. (**attached**)
2. An emergency repair on the Storm Sewer on Main Street is needed. There is a sink hole forming and the length is approx. 40ft. The repair is being scheduled and a quote was given not to exceed 20K by Caddick Construction. The road will need to be closed during the repair.
3. Recommend approval of the **attached** lease between Montgomery County, ("Lessee") and the Borough of Ambler ("Lessor"), for their antennas and equipment on Houston Road Tank.

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Engineer's report was provided.
2. Quotes are being obtained to pave the driveways at the Borough Wells, the project was budgeted.
3. The DAF building at the WWTP has a roof leak and quotes are being requested to award the repair in September.
4. Quotes to repair the Boilers in the Belt Filter Press at the WWTP while simultaneously getting quotes for new equipment are being requested. The challenge is timing – we need to make an Award (or decision) in September to avoid freezing water pipes in the winter.



GILMORE & ASSOCIATES, INC.
ENGINEERING & CONSULTING SERVICES

VIA U.S. MAIL & E-MAIL

August 10, 2017

File No: 17-03128

Mary Aversa, Manager
Borough of Ambler
131 Rosemary Avenue
Ambler, PA 19002

Reference: Contract No. 17-01: Lafayette Avenue Water Main Replacement
Whitemarsh Township, Montgomery County, PA

Dear Mary,

Bids were received by Ambler Borough via PennBid on August 8, 2017 for Contract No. 17-01: Lafayette Avenue Water Main Replacement. A total of five (5) bids were received and they are presented on the enclosed Bid Summary spreadsheet. As shown on the spreadsheet, the low bidder is Ankiewicz Enterprises, Inc. with a total bid amount of \$177,225.00.

Ankiewicz's bid documents included the following: Bid Bond, Agreement of Surety Company, Power of Attorney, Bidder's Acknowledgement Form, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Public Works Verification Form and Bidder Qualification Statement along with work experience, project lists, references and financial statements. The referenced documents included in the bid appear to be satisfactory and in order. Copies of the bid documents are enclosed.

Ankiewicz Enterprises, Inc. has been a contractor in the site and utility construction industry for 17 years, and we received favorable remarks from the project references we checked. It is our opinion that Ankiewicz has the qualifications to successfully complete the work associated with this contract.

Therefore, it is our recommendation, upon satisfactory review of the bid documents by the Borough Solicitor, that Ankiewicz Enterprises, Inc. be awarded the contract in the total bid amount of \$177,225.00.

If you have any questions with regard to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Brian M. Brochon
Civil Designer
Water Resources

BMB/el

Enclosures: Bid Summary spreadsheet
Ankiewicz Enterprises, Inc. Bid documents

cc: Philip Benigno, Water Supervisor – Ambler Borough (e-mail only)
Joseph E. Bresnan, Esquire – Dischell Bartle Dooley Law Firm (e-mail only)

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Borough of Ambler
Contract No. 1741: Lafayette Avenue Water Main Replacement
Summary of Bids Received on 8/8/2017

Item No.	Description	Quantity	Units	Antkiewicz Enterprises, Inc.	Almeida & Hudak Contractors, LLC	SJM Construction Company, Inc.	Amrich, Inc.	N. Abbonizio Contractors, Inc.					
1	6" Water Main Installation	1325	LF	\$105.00	\$139,125.00	\$100.00	\$132,500.00	\$76.00	\$100,700.00	\$78.90	\$104,542.50	\$138.00	\$182,850.00
2	Fire Hydrant Installation	1	EA	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$4,630.00	\$4,630.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$3,400.00	\$3,400.00
3	Cut & Plug Existing Water Main	1	EA	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$9,200.00	\$9,200.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,345.00	\$2,345.00
4	State Highway Subgrade, Base, and Binder Course Restoration	945	SY	\$24.00	\$22,680.00	\$30.00	\$28,350.00	\$48.00	\$45,360.00	\$56.95	\$53,817.75	\$51.75	\$48,903.75
5	State Highway Wearing Course Restoration	1565	SY	\$8.00	\$12,520.00	\$10.00	\$15,650.00	\$19.00	\$29,735.00	\$20.90	\$32,708.50	\$18.00	\$29,735.00
6	Driveway Restoration	10	SY	\$30.00	\$300.00	\$100.00	\$1,000.00	\$153.00	\$1,530.00	\$80.00	\$800.00	\$69.70	\$697.00
TOTAL OF ALL BID ITEMS					\$177,225.00		\$181,500.00		\$191,155.00		\$195,068.75		\$267,930.75

Finance and Planning Committee

The Committee meeting was held August 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Jonathan Sheward (Chair), Frank DeRuosi and Francine Tomlinson. Absent: Ms. McCormick.

The Committee will consider the following recommendations.

1. That the **July 2017** invoices be paid as follows:

#	Fund	JULY 1ST RUN	JULY 2ND RUN	TOTALS
1	GENERAL	\$45,316.73	\$ 51,903.55	\$97,220.28
2	STREET LGTS	\$5,622.65	\$ 4,619.59	\$10,242.24
3	FIRE			\$0.00
4	REFUSE	\$4,593.85	\$31,201.81	\$35,795.66
5	PARKS & REC	\$1,840.10	\$2,339.23	\$4,179.33
6	WATER	\$69,661.07	\$42,329.99	\$111,991.06
8	SEWER	\$2,153.48	\$7,435.19	\$9,588.67
9	WWTP	\$75,830.83	\$119,560.65	\$195,391.48
23	DEBT FUND			\$0.00
30	WATER CAPITAL	\$12,118.09		\$12,118.09
35	LIQUID FUELS		\$ 532.64	\$532.64
TOTALS		\$217,136.80	\$259,922.65	\$477,059.45
VOID CHECKS		\$0.00		\$0.00
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 217,136.80	\$ 259,922.65	\$ 477,059.45

2. Authorization to approve consent with the County Tax Claim Bureau for the repository tax sale of a Church Street property (Parcel 01-00-01302-80-3) for the proposed bid amount of \$500 to prospective bidder Blackstone Investments LLC. **(attached)**
3. Recommend approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the state and the Ambler HRC. The MOU is to ensure that prospective Complainants get the chance to file both with the state HRC and Ambler HRC. This action would secure an individual's rights to have their allegations investigated and processed fully.

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Borough Engineer's report is was provided.
2. **Attached** is a draft Ordinance on Bamboo, additional revisions to be decided by Borough Council.
3. The 2018 County Planning Assistance Contract is **attached**, please review and make any suggestions that you would like to see included in the contract.
4. The 30-day public comment period will run August 1-30 for the MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) Pollution Reduction Plan & TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) Report. This is required for the MS4 Notice of Intent (NOI) due in September. Written and verbal comments will be accepted from the public this evening.
5. The Committee will evaluate the Business Privilege Tax and determine if a reduction is feasible once the Budget is prepared.
6. Montgomery County has created a new model ordinance intended to achieve continuing compliance with Act 167 and to remain compliant with law. Title 26, Part 4 of the codified ordinances will include a new Part 4 to be called the Ambler Borough Stormwater Management Ordinance. The ordinance was sent to the Planning Commissions for review.

AMBLER BOROUGH, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA

ORDINANCE NUMBER _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF AMBLER AMENDING CHAPTER 10, PART I OF THE BOROUGH CODIFIED ORDINANCES (GRASS AND WEEDS) BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 10-105, FORBIDDING THE PLANTING OF BAMBOO PLANTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH, LEAVING THE REMAINDER OF THE ORDINANCE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT; EFFECTIVE ON THE EARLIEST DATE PERMITTED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA BOROUGH CODE

WHEREAS, the Ambler Borough Council seeks to preserve and protect private and public property from the damaging spread of bamboo grasses, and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received numerous complaints about bamboo that has migrated from the property on which it was originally planted onto adjoining properties without the permission of the owners, thereby constituting a noxious growth, and

WHEREAS, while the Borough is aware that certain types of bamboo do not "run" to other properties and thus might not create the same problem, it is the determination of Borough Council that the best interests of the community are best served by forbidding the planting of all types of bamboo in order to allow for certainty in the application of this ordinance particularly since a potential purchaser might not make themselves aware regarding the type of bamboo they purchase,

NOW THEREFORE Ambler Borough Council does ORDAIN as follows:

1. There is hereby adopted a new Borough ordinance, "Bamboo Planting Prohibited", to be added to the Borough Codified Ordinances as new section 10-105, and the text of which is as follows:

"Effective on the date of this ordinance, the planting of the form of grass known commonly as bamboo (all grasses within the grass tribes bambusaea, olyraea, and arundinarieae) is prohibited anywhere in the Borough regardless of the specific type or subspecies and regardless whether the bamboo is identified as either "running" or "clumping". A violation of this ordinance is a summary offense punishable by a fine of one hundred dollars. After seven days have elapsed from a violation notice, each day thereafter is a separate offense. This ordinance does not require the removal of bamboo planted prior to the adoption of this ordinance."

2. The remainder of Chapter 10 remains in full force and effect, unaffected by this ordinance.
3. This ordinance is effective on the earliest date provided for in the Pennsylvania Borough Code.

SO ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Salvatore Pasceri, Council President

Attest: _____
Mary Aversa, Secretary

Parks and Recreation Committee

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The Committee will make no recommendations

The following business will be discussed.

1. Staff met with Montgomery County representatives to discuss the Bike Montco Program and survey the feasibility of bike lanes on multiple Borough Streets.
2. The committee is working with Ambler Main Street to schedule the following events: Yoga at Pickering Field on August 17, from 6:30pm -7:30 pm.
3. The next Movie Night is Moana, on Saturday September 9th at Knight Park at dusk. If weather is an issue it will be moved to Borough Hall at 7:30pm.
4. The EAC discussed funding for additional Rain Gardens. Staff is working on the Storm Water Budget to see if and funds are available.

Salary & Personnel Committee

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The Committee will make the following recommendations.

1. Recommend appointing Lisa Keenan to the vacant EAC seat. **(attached)**

The following business will be discussed.

1. Vacancies exist on the Environmental Advisory Council and Appeals Board. Interested residents are asked to send a letter of interest and resume to the Borough Manager.
2. Interviews will be scheduled for the vacant position of Public Works Foreman.

Approved at Committee Meeting

The recommendation from the Solicitor in reference to 3 personnel issues was approved by Council . (8-Aye)

Recommendations

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Public Comment Procedure

As a reminder, it will not be the practice of Council to answer questions and/or engage in dialogue with the speaker during the Public Comment section of the meeting. Comments regarding any and all employee issues will not be entertained. Council may address items or questions raised at the next scheduled Committee/Council meeting, but reserves the right to determine agenda items. Council requests that those in attendance refrain from engaging the speaker during public comments.

Thank you for your cooperation.
Ambler Borough Council