



BOROUGH OF AMBLER

BUDGET MEETING 6:00p.m.

COMMITTEE MEETING

December 5, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Chief Foley would like to make a presentation.

PUBLIC SAFETY
PUBLIC UTILITIES
FINANCE & PLANNING
PARKS & RECREATION
SALARY & PERSONNEL

Public Safety Committee

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Mr. Curtis, Chairperson

Mrs. Mc Cormick

Mr. Sheward

OLD BUSINESS

1. RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross will be holding another Blood Drive at Borough Hall on Thursday, December 28th (2-7 p.m.).

2. ST. MARY'S DEVELOPMENT

The Borough Engineer is reviewing the Storm Water Plans for the proposed development.

NEW BUSINESS

1. PUBLIC WORKS & CODE REPORT

The Code Enforcement report and Public Works reports are **attached**.



LIFE'S A GIFT. GIVE MORE OF IT. DONATE BLOOD.

Blood Drive Borough of Ambler

**Ambler Borough Hall - Gym
131 Rosemary Avenue
Ambler, PA 19002**

**Thursday, December 28, 2017
2:00 PM to 7:00 PM**

Appointments are preferred.

Please contact Mary Aversa or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: Ambler



**Free long-sleeve Red Cross T-shirt when you come to
donate Dec. 21-Jan. 7, while supplies last!**



Scan to schedule
an appointment

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Borough of Ambler

Code Enforcement Report for November 2017

PERMITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total
Building	6	8	9	15	12	11	12	14	9	15	7	0	118
Dumpster	1	3	2	0	1	2	3	4	2	2	0	0	20
Fire	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Mechanical	1	3	3	3	4	0	1	0	7	3	3	0	28
Plumbing	1	7	4	6	5	0	4	2	4	6	4	0	43
Road Opening	2	0	1	2	2	5	1	2	3	2	3	0	23
Use and Occupancy	1	1	1	0	4	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	11
Vendor Sales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zoning	1	2	3	2	3	11	4	6	4	3	0	1	40
Rental Inspections	1	0	2	10	13	47	130	21	13	135	28	0	400
TOTALS	14	24	25	38	46	78	63	51	42	260	45	1	687

Public Utilities Committee

Tuesday, December 5, 2017
Mr. Zaccone, Chairperson
Mr. Curtis
Mr. Pasceri

OLD BUSINESS

1. **AMBLER CROSSINGS**

The applicant for Ambler Crossings has inquired on the water connection fees for the development. The Project was approved with sewer fees required in the review letter. Borough Council granted permission for Staff and the Solicitor to discuss the fees.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **WWTP ENGINEER REPORT**

The WWTP Engineer's report will be provided.

2. **STREET SWEEPER**

The **attached** specifications and Costars cost is for the new sweeper.
The new sweeper will also have the ability to clean inlets which will assist with our NPDES requirements.

3. **COMCAST FRANCHISE AGREEMENT**

The Borough of Ambler will hold a public meeting regarding our cable franchise renewal. The renewal is currently being negotiated.
Public comment will be accepted at the meeting on December 5, 2017.

4. **WWTP CHEMICAL BID**

The documents relevant to the bid opening for PAC Coagulant for 2018-2019 were received, a recommendation will be provided.

GranTurk equipment co., inc.

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one schuylkill parkway
building b
bridgeport, pa 19405-1069
phone (610) 239-9800
fax (610) 239-9806

branch office:
1415 bush street
baltimore, md 21230
phone (410) 837-5570
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QUOTATION

July 11, 2017

Borough of Ambler
122 E. Butler Avenue
Ambler, PA 19002

Attn: Mr. Marco Public Works Director

As per the request of our sales representative Gene Freed we are pleased to offer the following for your consideration. In accordance with the COSTARS 025-046 contract, we are pleased to offer the following for your consideration.

One (1) ELGIN WHIRLWIND MV SINGLE 36" SIDEBROOM Tier 4F-74 HP

Mounted on 2017 Freightliner M2 Dual Steer Chassis


Painted Standard White	Hydraulic Wandering Hose
Additional Sweeper & Ignition Key	LED/Stop/Tail/Rear Turn Light
Auxiliary Hydraulic Pump w/In-Cab Dump	AM/FM/CD Radio
Right-Hand Utility Cover Lifter	L/H Fender Mounted Mirror
Variable Speed Single Side broom	Spare Tire & wheel Balanced
Right-Hand Broom Tilt w/Display	Front Spray Bar
Air Purge	2.5 Lb. Fire Extinguisher
Right-Hand Auto Shutter	Hydrant Wrench
Stainless Steel Hopper Screen	Reflective Flares
Right-Hand Inspection Door	Slow Moving Vehicle Sign
6" Hopper Drain	Standard Elgin One Year Warranty
Rear LED Beacon	Freight
4 Ft. Aluminum Wandering Hose Extension	Prep, Delivery and Training

Total Price for Whirlwind Sweeper.....	\$178,610.00
5% Costars Discount.....	\$ - 8,930.50
Total Costars Price.....	\$169,679.50
2017 Freightliner M2 Dual Steer Chassis Cost.....	\$ 82,652.00
Total Whirlwind Sweeper and Chassis.....	\$252,331.50

DATE OF ACCEPTANCE _____

By _____

GranTurk equipment co., inc.


ANNE C. RITCHIE PRESIDENT

Quotation Valid Only if Approved By An Officer of GranTurk equipment co., inc.

Finance & Planning Committee

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Mr. Sheward, Chairperson

Mr. DeRuosi

Ms. Tomlinson

OLD BUSINESS

1. **BAMBOO ORDINANCE**

The Planning Commission will evaluate and recommend additional language from the County review letter to address the spread of bamboo in the Borough.

2. **PARKING RATES AND HOURS**

The Parking Plan is being discussed and meter options are being explored.

3. **AMERICAN MARKETING ASSOCIATION**

Staff is awaiting revised plans for a Conditional Use Hearing for a proposed development by AMA on S. Chestnut Street.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT**

The Borough Engineer's report is **attached**.

2. **2018 BUDGET**

1. Public Notice for Budget review was advertised. Budget meetings were scheduled for this evening, Tuesday morning, December 12, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.; and Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. prior to that evening's regular Public Meeting.
2. **Attached** is an Ordinance Fixing the Real Estate Tax Rate for 2018 to be adopted in December.
3. **Attached** is a Resolution Appropriating Specific Funds for Purposes of the 2018 Budget to be adopted in December.

AMBLER BOROUGH

Project No. Project Name

Status

2017-02051 LTK Building-Addition

2017-09055 Ambler Bridge Assessment

Borough Engineer

2001-1010 TEA-21 - Ambler Streetscape 2002

Construction underway. Boring under SEPTA rail line completed. SEPTA review of Miller's connection to SEPTA controller box underway.

2003-0122-01 Ambler-2013 NPDES MS4 Permit

NOI for 2018 Individual MS4 Permit submitted 9/16/17. Next Annual report due 9/30/18 for period 3/16/16 thru 6/30/18.

2006-08054 Pedestrian Sidewalk Upgrade Program

Plan revision underway for resubmission to DVRPC.

2012-12032 Caddick-AMA-Land Development

Conditional Use was not granted. Approval of final LD not granted. Review of new CU submission (dated 6/30/17) provided 9/13/2017.

2013-02020 Ambler Crossings

Construction underway.

2014-04103 Wissahickon Act 167 Plan (Ambler)

Act 167 Plan approved by MontCo and PADEP. New storm water ordinance required to be adopted by 1/16/16. Ordinance provided 12/4/15.

2014-12015 St. Mary's Villa Residential Redevelopment-- TIS

Meetings with PennDOT, Developer & Ambler held 3/2/15 & 9/15/15. TIS review provided 6/11/15, 8/11/16. Review of land development storm water management plan underway.

2016-05051 Ambler Borough 2016 Paving Program

Construction complete. Maintenance period expires 5/12/18

2017-01010 2017 Ambler Borough General Services

On-going.

2017-01010-02 Ambler Traffic Signals

Preparation of pedestrian flasher signal permits submitted to PADOT 11/3/17.

2017-01105 Ambler Borough 2017 Road Paving

Construction complete. Contractor to address punch list items.

2017-09055 Bridge/Culvert Assessments

Assessment of Hendricks/Rose Valley underway.

Sewer Engineer

2013-02020-01 Ambler Crossings - Sewer

Construction underway. Sanitary Sewer is under construction

2017-01050 Ambler Borough General Sewer Services

On-going

Water Engineer

2012-10043 Loch Ash Dam Annual Inspections

Inspection conducted on 11/15/17. Report submitted to PADEP on 11/30/17.

2013-02020-02 Ambler Crossings - Water

Construction underway. Water Main is tested/complete

2016-04009 Maple Ave Water Main Replacement

Field survey completed. Awaiting further direction from Water Superintendent.

GILMORE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Friday, December 01, 2017

AMBLER BOROUGH

Project No.	Project Name	Status
Water Engineer		
2017-01049	Ambler Borough General Water Services	On-going
2017-01110	PWS Applications	Preparing PWS application for Well 8 minor permit amendment.
2017-03065	Prophecy Creek Bridge	Assisting Water Dept. with review of County's plans for bridge replacement project and impact on existing water main.
2017-03128	Lafayette Ave. Water Main Replacement	Water main construction 90% complete.
2017-11058	Small Water & Sewer Grant Application	Grant application preparation underway.

ORDINANCE _____
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF AMBLER
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
FIXING THE REAL ESTATE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2018

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED and is hereby Ordained and Enacted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Ambler, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that a Tax be and the same levied on all Real Property within the Borough of Ambler subject to location for the Fiscal Year 2018 as follows:

TAX RATE

For General Purposes, the sum of six and two hundred eighty thousandth (6.28) mill on each dollar of Assessed Valuation or the sum of 6.28 cents on each one hundred dollars of Assessed Valuation.

For Street Lighting Purposes, the sum of two hundred ten thousandth (.210) mill on each dollar of Assessed Valuation or the sum of .21 of a cent on each one hundred dollars of Assessed Valuation.

For Fire Fighting Purposes, the sum of four hundred eighty thousandth (.480) mill on each dollar of Assessed Valuation or the sum of 0.48 of a cent on each one hundred dollars of Assessed Valuation.

For Debt Service Purposes, the sum of 0.0 mill on each dollar of Assessed Valuation or the sum of 0.0 of a cent on each one hundred dollars of Assessed Valuation.

For Parks and Recreation Purposes, the sum of three hundred ninety thousandth (0.390) mill on each dollar of Assessed Valuation or the sum of 0.39 of a cent on each one hundred dollars of Assessed Valuation.

The same being summarized in tabular form as follows:

TOTAL _____ MILLS	MILLS ON EACH DOLLAR OF ASSESSED VALUATION	CENTS ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF ASSESSMENT VALUATION
Tax Rate General Purpose	6.280 Mills	6.28 Cents
Tax Rate Street Lights	0.210 Mills	0.21 Cents
Tax Rate Fire Protection	4.480 Mills	0.48 Cents
Tax Rate Debt Service	0.0 Mills	0.0 Cents
Tax Rate Parks & Recreation	0.390 Mills	0.39 Cents

Enacted by the Borough of Ambler this _____ day of December, _____.

Salvatore Pasceri, Council President

Mary Aversa, Borough Manager

RESOLUTION 2017-_____

A Resolution of the Borough of Ambler, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania appropriating specific sums estimated per the 2018 Budget to be required for the specific purpose of the municipal government, hereinafter set forth, during the year 2017 by the Borough Council of the Borough of Ambler, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. That the expenditures and expenses for the Fiscal Year 2018 in the following amounts are hereby appropriated from the fund equities, revenues and other financing sources available for the year 2017 for the specific purposes set forth in the following budget summaries.

	<u>General Fund</u>	
Revenues		\$ 3,870,738
Expenditures		\$ 3,870,738
	<u>Refuse Fund</u>	
Revenues		\$ 539,689
Expenditures		\$ 539,689
	<u>Fire Fund</u>	
Revenues		\$ 207,247
Expenditures		\$ 207,247
	<u>Liquid Fuels</u>	
Revenues		\$ 320,965
Expenditures		\$ 320,965
	<u>Parks and Recreation</u>	
Revenues		\$ 112,754
Expenditures		\$ 112,754
	<u>Sewer Fund</u>	
Revenues		\$ 1,061,986
Expenditures		\$ 1,061,986
	<u>Street Light Fund</u>	
Revenues		\$ 70,100
Expenditures		\$ 70,100
	<u>Wastewater Treatment Plant</u>	
Revenues		\$ 3,529,572
Expenditures		\$ 3,529,572
	<u>Water Department</u>	
Revenues		\$ 2,563,699
Expenditures		\$ 2,563,699

Section 2. That any Resolution conflicting with this Resolution be and the same is hereby repealed insofar as the same affects this Resolution.

ADOPTED this _____ day of December, 20____.

Salvatore Pasceri, Council President

Mary Aversa, Secretary

Parks & Recreation Committee

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Mr. DeRuosi, Chairperson

Mrs. Deininger

Mrs. Hertz

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **PECO GREEN REGION - OPEN SPACE GRANT**

Consider adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Application to the 2017 PECO Green Region Open Space Program for Riparian Buffer Improvement's and Implementing a Conservation Plan for the Edgewood Preserve. (standard Resolution form attached, details to be provided in December 19th packet).

2. **DVIT GRANT**

The Borough had Grant funds from DVIT. our insurance company. Fencing was installed at Knight Park and Locust Street Park.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

TOWNSHIP/BOROUGH/CITY OF _____
_____ COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

**A Resolution Authorizing Application to the
20__ PECO Green Region Open Space Program
for the _____ Project**

WHEREAS, the Township/Borough/City of _____ (“Township”/
“Borough”/“City”) desires to undertake the _____ project; and

WHEREAS, the Township/Borough/City desires to apply to the PECO Green Region
Open Space Program for a grant for the purpose of carrying out this project; and

WHEREAS, the Township/Borough/City has received and understands the 20__ PECO
Green Region Open Space Program Guidelines.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township/Borough/City Board of
Supervisors/Council hereby approves this project and authorizes application to the PECO
Green Region Open Space Program in the amount of \$_____, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT, if the application is granted, the
Township/Borough/City commits to the expenditure of matching funds in the amount of
\$_____ necessary for the project’s success.

SO RESOLVED this _____ day of _____ 20__.

Attest

Signatures

Salary & Personnel Committee

Tuesday, December 5, 2017
Ms. Nancy Deininger, Chairperson
Mrs. Mc Cormick
Ms. Tomlinson
Mrs. Hertz

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. VOLUNTEER COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES & BOARDS

Terms of service will expire on December 31, 2017 for numerous volunteer positions. Incumbents have been contacted and asked to submit a letter of interest/resume if seeking re-appointment. Residents interested in being considered for appointments may forward a letter of interest/resume to the Borough Manager. Response by 12/15/17 is requested. Positions include:

- Appeals Board (3 year term) – 2 seats + 1 vacancy
- Civil Service Commission (6 year term) – 1 seat
- Environmental Advisory Commission (3 year term) – 1 seat
- Planning Commission (4 year term) – 3 seats
- Vacancy Board (1 year term) – 1 seat
- Zoning Hearing Board (3 year term) – 1 seat + 1 Alternate seat

2. COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION

Communication between different Council- appointed committees is being discussed.

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 Comments 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