



BOROUGH OF AMBLER

COMMITTEE MEETING

November 4, 2020

7:00 p.m.

ZOOM Meeting –Rules & Protocol

Borough Council will conduct its Committee Meeting via Internet vehicle 'ZOOM'. For the safety of Ambler residents, Borough Hall will be closed. Pre-registration is required. Attendees must provide their email, first and last name, and home address. Once registration is processed, a link to attend will be provided via email. A video of the virtual meeting will be posted on this website for the public the following day. The Borough Manager is making the meeting Agenda available for review by the public. Please feel free to read through the Agenda and provide feedback or make an inquiry on any Agenda items. You may email the Borough Council President Frank DeRuosi at fderuosi@borough.ambler.pa.us until Wednesday November 4, at 4:00PM so that Council may consider your comments or address a question from the public during the ZOOM Meeting.

Public Safety Committee

Wednesday November 4, 2020

Erin McKenna Endicott - Chair

Glynnis Siskind

Sara Hertz

Nancy Deininger

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **PUBLIC WORKS & CODE REPORT**

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

2. **EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR NOVEMBER**

A recommendation is requested this evening to adopt the Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 for the month of November . (**attached**)

3. **AMBLER MAIN STREET – Restaurant Weekends**

The final Restaurant Weekend will be held the second weekend of November.

4. **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

The Borough's next Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Tuesday, December 22 from 2-7 p.m. in the Gymnasium.

Borough of Ambler Code Enforcement Report for October 2020

PERMITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total
Building	10	15	8	0	11	12	14	12	11	11			104
Dumpster	2	3	0	0	4	1	0	4	3	2			19
Fire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Mechanical	2	4	5	0	4	3	4	7	2	2			33
Plumbing	4	6	6	0	1	4	4	7	3	2			37
Road Opening	3	1	0	0	0	5	3	0	0	0			12
Use and Occupancy	1	2	2	0	0	0	2	3	5	0			15
Vendor Sales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Zoning	2	1	3	0	8	5	5	3	2	4			33
Rental Inspections	89	18	10	0	0	3	1	0	0	0			121
TOTALS	113	50	34	0	28	33	33	36	26	18			374

** The Borough Bi-Annual Rental Inspection Program was temporarily paused in early March due to CONVID-19 but with the warmer winter the department was able to get an early start where normally with the threat of winter weather would not normally schedule inspections until March or April.

*** Pennsylvania Govern Wolf ordered the closure of non-life sustain businesses on March 19th which included the construction industry. Exemptions were provided by the State for contractors performing emergency repairs under strict guidelines. These emergency permits (roof repairs, replacement water lateral, PECO service repairs, etc.) will be reflected in the May / June report numbers.

**BOROUGH OF AMBLER
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on or about **Wednesday, November 4, 2020**, a viral pandemic continues to cause or threatens to cause injury, damage and suffering to the persons and property of Borough of Ambler, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the pandemic has the ability to endanger the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in Ambler Borough, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than Ambler Borough may be able to resolve; and

WHEREAS, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in Ambler Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Borough Council President and Mayor of Ambler Borough, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Service Code, (35 PA C.S., Section 7501) as amended, do hereby declare the existence of a disaster emergency in Ambler Borough.

FURTHER, we direct the Ambler Borough Emergency Management Coordinator to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency.

FURTHER, given that Ambler Borough is responsible for the maintenance of a potable water distribution system and a wastewater treatment plant which serve the people of Ambler Borough and surrounding townships, we direct and authorize Ambler Borough staff to coordinate and undertake all activities deemed necessary to provide these essential public utility services.

STILL FURTHER, we authorize officials of Ambler Borough to act as necessary to meet the current exigencies of this emergency, namely: by the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, and by entering into such contracts and agreements for the performance of public works as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

This declaration shall take effect immediately upon adoption on this 4th **day of November 2020**.

Frank DeRuosi, Ambler Borough Council President

Jeanne Sorg, Ambler Borough Mayor

Mary Aversa, Secretary

Public Utilities Committee

Wednesday November 4, 2020

Glynnis Siskind – Chair

Brooke Marshall

Haley Welch

Jen Henderson

OLD BUSINESS

1. **WATER AUTHORITY**

An application of the Borough of Ambler for approval of the abandonment of public water service to the public in Pennsylvania has been filed and a notice has been advertised. Formal protests and petitions were received.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **WWTP ENGINEER REPORT**

The WWTP Engineer's report will be provided.

2. **ET-9 CLARIFIER**

Quotes were obtained for parts to rebuild clarifier ET-9. Midway was \$71,782.68, Blooming Glen was \$79,442.52 and Kaman Technologies was \$86,431.42. A recommendation to award to Midway Supply is requested. This is in the budget.

3. **LOCH ALSH DAM**

The Loch Alsh Dam Emergency Action Plan is being updated by Gilmore Engineers. The plan must be updated every 5 years. A revised Inundation Map is being prepared by Princeton Hydro (PH) which will undertake hydrologic and hydraulic models for new breach scenarios. This is necessary due to removal of St. Mary's Dam at the Mattison Estates construction site. Cost for PH analysis and preparation of new Inundation Map is \$15,000.

4. **MILITIA HILL ROAD & ROUTE 73**

Two quotes have been obtained for road restoration at Militia Hill Road and Route 73 due to water leak repair. Associated Paving Contractors has quoted \$33,660. S. Vecchione, Inc. has quoted \$35,250. Cost justification is due to the fact that all work must be done during night shift or on weekends. A recommendation is requested.

5. **DIGESTER CONVERSION BID**

Borough of Ambler will receive sealed bids online via the PennBid Program until 2:00 PM, prevailing time, Monday, November 16, 2020 for the Digester Conversion. This was budgeted.

Finance & Planning Committee

Wednesday November 4, 2020

Nellie Di Pietro - Chair

Erin McKenna Endicott

Brooke Marshall

Haley Welch

OLD BUSINESS

1 **BOROUGH STORM WATER ORDINANCE**

Attached is correspondence relative to Storm Water requirements, specifically the area calculation that triggers storm water requirements. See attached memo with County comparisons.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT**

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

2. **MURAL ORDINANCE**

The Committee would like to discuss the possibility of creating language to regulate Murals.

3. **2 HOUR PARKING ON RACE STREET**

The solicitor will prepare an ordinance to include 2 hour parking on Race Street.

4. **BUDGET MEETINGS**

The Borough will be scheduling Budget meetings for Tuesday, November 17th and December 1st at 6:00PM via Zoom.

Borough Of Ambler

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Memorandum

To: Ambler Borough Council
From: Glenn Kucher, Code Enforcement Officer
Date: October 30, 2020
Re: Stormwater Management Ordinance

The Borough requested that the Montgomery County Planning Commission perform a comparison of the Ambler Borough / Wissahickon Creek Watershed Stormwater Management Ordinance. Attached are those comparisons specifically for the Borough and the Wissahickon Watershed.

The County has outlined the areas where municipalities have more and less stringent regulations than Ambler Borough. Typically, these Ordinances have the exemption threshold set at less than 5,000 sqft of increased proposed impervious area. The Borough's present threshold is less than 1,000 sqft.

The Borough generally appears to have similar stringency of stormwater management regulations. Abington Township appears to have the most stringent stormwater management program which requires any owner adding an additional 250 sqft of new impervious surface to have two new rain barrels on a property at a permit cost of between \$115 – 165. And any owner proposing greater than 250 sqft of added impervious requires seepage pits/dry well/rain garden with a permit cost of \$360 with an escrow for annual inspections.

Currently the requirement for submittal for an erosion and sediment pollution control plan (E&S) is set at 5,000 sqft for Montgomery County. These plans are required to be submitted with a topographical survey of the existing and proposed conditions on the property so that the installation does not adversely impact the property or surrounding neighbors. This plan is also submitted with an escrow fee to be reviewed and approved by the Municipal Engineer. Most small projects such as a small deck or shed can be completed in a weekend the installation of silk fencing may not be relevant with the weather conditions but could be added cost to a property owner.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Table 26-406.1 : Impervious Surface Exemption Thresholds

Ordinance Subpart or Section	Type of Project	< 5,000 Sq. Ft. Disturbed Area + Proposed Impervious Surface		>= 5,000 Sq. Ft. Disturbed Area
		0 to 1,000 Sq. Ft.	>1,000 to 5,000 Sq. Ft.	
1. Subpart C SWM Site Plan Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt (except reside	Not Exempt
2. Section 26-425 Nonstructural Project Design	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
3. Section 26-426 Groundwater Recharge	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
4. Section 26-427 Volume Control Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
5. Section 26-428 Stream Bank Erosion Redevelopment	Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
6. Section 26-429 Peak Rate Control Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt
7. Section 26-424 Erosion + Sediment Pollution Control Rqmts.			See Table 26-406.2	
8. Subpart E Inspections	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
9. Subpart G Maintenance Responsibilities	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt

More Stringent Than Borough Of Ambler
Less Stringent Than Borough Of Ambler



ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

Ordinance Subpart or Section	Type of Project	< 5,000 Sq. Ft. Disturbed Area + Proposed Imperv	>= 5,000 Sq. Ft. Disturbed Area
SWM Site Plan Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt
Nonstructural Project Design	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt
Groundwater Recharge	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt
Volume Control Rqmts.	All Development	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Stream Bank	Development	Exempt	Not Exempt
Peak Rate Control Rqmts.	Redevelopment	Exempt	Not Exempt
Erosion + Sediment Pollution Control Rqmt:	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt

Small Project SWM Plan: Option for small regulated activities to submit a non-engineered stormwater management plan. This site plan can be applied to development activities proposing less than 5,000 Sq. Ft. of impervious surface and less than one acre of earth disturbance.

Residential Programs

Up to 250 New Impervious Coverage Requires Two (2) New Rain Barrels

Approx. Total Cost \$115.00-165.00

Permit Cost \$65.00

Greater than 250 Sq. Ft. Of Impervious Surface Requires Seepage Pits/Dry Well/Rain Garden

Approx. Total Cost \$360.00

Permit Cost \$360.00

BOROUGH OF BRIDGEPORT

Only general provisions, no specific stormwater management ordinance or promoted residential programs.

CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP

Smaller than 250 Sq. Ft. are exempt from the peak rate control and drainage plan requirements.

Equal to or greater than 250 Sq. Ft. and less than 1,000 Sq Ft. are exempt only from the peak rate controls.

Fees

Stormwater Advisory Committee will be working with Arcadis to conduct a stormwater impact fee feasibility study and help implement the fee if one is determined feasible.

BOROUGH OF COLLEGEVILLE

Regulated activities that result in cumulative earth disturbance less than 5,000 Sq. Ft. are exempt from the requirements in volume control and rate controls.

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN

The following activities are included within the scope of Stormwater Management Regulations: Land Development, Subdivision, All sites of 0.5 acre (21,780 Sq. Ft.) or more have regulated stormwater management; Agriculture Operations, Construction of New or Additional Impervious or Semipervious Surfaces; Construction of New Buildings or Additions to Existing Buildings...

BOROUGH OF DOUGLASS

Ambigious Sq. Ft. Requirements

EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP

Regulated activities that created up to 250 Sq. Ft. of new impervious and less than 1,000 Sq. Ft. of earth disturbance are exempt from stormwater management plan, volume controls, peak rate controls, and operation/maintenance plan requirements.

Regulated activities that create between 2,000 Sq. Ft. and 5,000 Sq. Ft. of new impervious areas or earth disturbance are exempt from the stormwater management district and peak rate control requirements.

BOROUGH OF HATBORO

Ordinance Subpart or Section	Type of Project	Impervious Surface		Disturbed Area
		< 5,000 Sq. Ft.	>1,000 to 5,000 Sq. Ft.	
SWM Site Plan Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt (5,000 Sq. Ft. I	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Nonstructural Project Design	All Development	Exempt (5,000 Sq. Ft. I	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Groundwater Recharge	All Development	Exempt (5,000 Sq. Ft. I	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Volume Control Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt (5,000 Sq. Ft. I	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Stream Bank	Development	Exempt (5,000 Sq. Ft. I	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Peak Rate Control	Redevelopment	Exempt (< Acre)	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
	All Development		Not Exempt	Not Exempt

HATFIELD TOWNSHIP

	Type of Project	< 5,000 Sq. Ft. Impervious Surface	>1,000 to 5,000 Sq. Ft.	>= 5,000 Sq. Ft.
Ordinance Subpart or Section				
SWM Site Plan Requirements	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Volume Control	All Development	Exempt, except for ing	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Peak Rate Control	All Development	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt

HORSHAM TOWNSHIP

	Type of Project	< 5,000 Sq. Ft. Disturbed Area + Proposed Imperv	>1,000 to 5,000 Sq. Ft.	>= 5,000 Sq. Ft.
Ordinance Subpart or Section				
SWM Site Plan Rqmts.	Residential	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Nonstructural Project Design	Residential	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Groundwater Recharge	Residential	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Volume Control Rqmts.	Residential	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Stream Bank	Residential	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt
Peak Rate Control Rqmts.	Residential	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt

BOROUGH OF LANSDALE

	Type of Project	< 5,000 Sq. Ft. Disturbed Area + Proposed Imperv	>1,000 to 5,000 Sq. Ft.	>= 5,000 Sq. Ft.
Ordinance Subpart or Section				
SWM Site Plan Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Volume Control Rqmts.	All Development	Not Applicable	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Peak Rate Control Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt

LOWER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP

	Type of Project	< 5,000 Sq. Ft. Disturbed Area + Proposed Imperv	>1,000 to 5,000 Sq. Ft.	>= 5,000 Sq. Ft.
Ordinance Subpart or Section				
SWM Site Plan Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Nonstructural Project Design	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Groundwater Recharge	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Volume Control Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Stream Bank	Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Peak Rate Control Rqmts.	All Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt

WORCESTER TOWNSHIP

*** More Detailed**

Residential Development Exempt From Requirements Of Stormwater Management Legislation

- 1) Installation of 1,200 Sq. Ft. or less of cumulative impervious surface area.
- 2) The area where existing impervious surface is removed must be restored with a minimum of six inches of topsoil and permanent vegetative groundcover.
- 3) Use of land for gardening for home consumption.
- 4) Repair and reconstruction of on-lot sewage disposal system with valid permit.

Total Parcel Area (acres)	Maximum Exempt Impervious Surface Area (Sq. Ft.)
Less than 0.50	1,200
0.5 to 1.0	2,500
Greater than 1.0 to 2.0	4,000
Greater than 2.0 to 5.0	5,000
Greater than 5.0	7,500

Borough of Ambler generally appears to have similar stringency of stormwater management regulations. However, the Borough could explore removing the exemption from highlighted categories. Abington Township had the most informative and enabling program regarding stormwater management on residential properties. The following link to permit applications for rain barrels and seepage pit/dry well/rain garden: <https://www.abingtonpa.gov/home/showdocument?id=5490> and <https://www.abingtonpa.gov/home/showdocument?id=2766>.

General Notes

Typical ordinances have exemption criteria of 5,000 sq. Ft. Of proposed impervious area that serves as a cut off for requiring stormwater management plan.

NPDES program has no exemption criteria; thus, all projects within regulated municipalities will be required to comply.

East Branch Perkiomen Creek

1. Impervious Area Exemptions

<i>Total Parcel Size</i>	<i>Impervious Area Exemptions (sq. ft.)</i>
= < ¼ acre	1,200 sq. ft.
> ¼ to 1 acre	2,500 sq. ft.
> 1 acre	5,000 sq. ft.

2. Erosion + Sedimentation Requirements

Whenever the vegetation and topography are to be disturbed, such activity must be in conformance with Chapter 102, Title 25, Rules and Regulations, Part I, Commonwealth of PA, DEP, Subpart C, Protection of Natural Resources, Article II, Water Resources, Chapter 102, "Erosion Control".

Lower Merion Drainage Area

1. Impervious Area Exemptions

Any proposed Regulated Activity which would create 1,500 sq. Ft. Or less of additional impervious cover would be exempt from the requirements of this ordinance regarding control of peak rate of flow. The Regulated Activity may be required to satisfy the standards for groundwater recharge and/or water quality, at the discretion of the municipality.

Any areas to initially be gravel, crushed stone, etc., shall be assumed to be impervious for the purposes of the waiver criteria.

2. Erosion + Sedimentation Requirements

Adequate erosion protection which meets the regulations of Chapter 102 of the Clean Stream Law shall be provided along all open channels, and at all points of discharge.

Neshaminy Creek

Table 106.1 Impervious Surface Exemption Thresholds for the Neshaminy Creek Watershed

Ordinance Article or Section	Type of Project	Proposed Impervious Surface		
		0 – 1,000 sq. ft.	1,001 – 5,000 sq. ft.	5,000 + sq. ft.
Article IV SWM Site Plan Requirements	Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Section 303 Volume Control Requirements	Development	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Section 304 Peak Rate Control Requirements	Development	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt
Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control Requirements	Must comply with Title 25, Chapter 102 of the PA Code and any other applicable state, county and municipal codes			

Pennypack Creek

Table 5.2.A Eligibility for Exemptions for the Bucks and Montgomery County Portions of the Watershed

Ordinance Article or Section	Type of Project	Proposed New Impervious Cover						
		< 1,000 sq. ft.			≥ 1,000 to < 5,000 sq. ft.			≥ 5,000 sq. ft.
		Earth Disturbance < 5,000 sq. ft.	Earth Disturbance ≥ 5,000 sq. ft. - 1 acre	Earth Disturbance > 1 acre	Earth Disturbance < 5,000 sq. ft.	Earth Disturbance ≥ 5,000 sq. ft. - 1 acre	Earth Disturbance > 1 acre	All Earth Disturbance Categories
Article III SWM Site Plan Requirements	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
Section 404 Nonstructural Project Design	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
Section 405 Groundwater Recharge	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
Section 406 Water Volume Control Requirements	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
Section 407 Stream Bank Erosion Requirements	Development	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
	Redevelopment	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Section 408 Stormwater Peak Rate Control and Management Districts	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	Yes	No*	No	No
Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control Plan	Earth Disturbance	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements

(Refer to municipal earth disturbance requirements, as applicable)

Perkiomen Creek

1. Impervious Area Exemptions

Any proposed Regulated Activity, except those defined in Section 105.E through 105.H, which would create 10,000 square feet or less of additional impervious cover is exempt from the Drainage Plan preparation provisions of this Ordinance. If a site has previously received an exemption and is proposing additional development such that the total impervious cover on the site exceeds 10,000 square feet, the total impervious cover on the site proposed since the original ordinance date must meet the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 105.E through 105.H

- Diversion or piping of any natural or man-made stream or channel.

- Installation of stormwater system or appurtenances thereto.
- Regulated Earth Disturbance Activities
- Any Earth Disturbance Activities or any activities that involve the alteration or development of land in a manner that may affect stormwater runoff onto adjacent property.

2. Erosion + Sedimentation Requirements

A written Erosion and Sediment Control Plan is required by DEP regulations for any Earth Disturbance Activity of 5,000 square feet or more under Pa. Code § 102.4(b).

A DEP NPDES Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activities Permit is required for Regulated Earth Disturbance Activities of one acre or greater under Pa. Code Chapter 102.

Poquessing Creek

Table V-1

Eligibility for Exemptions for the Bucks and Montgomery County Portions of the Watershed

Ordinance Article or Section	Type of Project	Proposed New Impervious Cover						
		< 1000 ft ²			≥ 1000 ft ² to < 5,000 ft ²			≥ 5,000 ft ²
		Earth Disturb. < 5,000 ft ²	Earth Disturb. 5,000 ft ² to 1 acre	Earth Disturb. > 1 acre	Earth Disturb. < 5,000 ft ²	Earth Disturb. 5,000 ft ² to 1 acre	Earth Disturb. > 1 acre	All Earth Disturb. Categories
<u>Article III</u> SWM Site Plan Requirements	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
<u>Section 404</u> Nonstructural Project Design	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
<u>Section 405</u> Groundwater Recharge	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
<u>Section 406</u> Water Volume Control Requirements	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No
<u>Section 407</u> Streambank Erosion Requirements	Development	Yes	No*	No	No*	No*	No	No*
	Redevelopment	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No*
<u>Section 408</u> Stormwater Peak Run Control and Management Districts	Development and Redevelopment	Yes	No*	No	Yes	No*	No	No
<u>Section 409</u> Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control Plan	Earth Disturbance	Yes/Earth Disturbance Requirements	Yes/Earth Disturbance Requirements	Yes/Earth Disturbance Requirements	Yes/Earth Disturbance Requirements	Yes/Earth Disturbance Requirements	Yes/Earth Disturbance Requirements	Yes/Earth Disturbance Requirements

(*) All for municipal earth disturbance requirements, as applicable.

Stony Creek/Saw Mill Run

1. Impervious Area Exemptions

Any proposed Regulated Activity, except those defined in Section 104.E.4 through 104.E.5, which would create 5,000 square feet or less of additional impervious cover is exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 104.E.4 through 104.E.5

- Diversion or piping of any natural or man-made stream or channel.
 - Installation of stormwater system or appurtenances thereto.
2. Erosion + Sedimentation Requirements

A written Erosion and Sediment Control Plan is required by DEP regulations for any Earth Disturbance Activity of 5,000 square feet or more under Pa. Code § 102.4(b).

A DEP NPDES Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activities Permit is required for Regulated Earth Disturbance Activities of one acre or greater under Pa. Code Chapter 102.

Swamp Creek

Adequate erosion protection which meets the regulations of Chapter 102 of the Clean Stream Law shall be provided.

Tookany/Tacony-Frankford

1. Impervious Area Exemptions
- Disconnected Regulated Activities (Regulated Activities that create Disconnected Impervious Areas) smaller in area than 250 sq. ft. are exempt from the peak rate control (Section 408) and drainage plan (Section 302) preparation requirements of the Model Ordinance.
 - Disconnected Regulated Activities (Regulated Activities that create Disconnected Impervious Areas) equal to or greater than 250 sq. ft. and less than 1,000 sq. ft. are exempt only from the peak rate control (Section 408) requirement of the Model Ordinance.
 - Agricultural plowing and tilling are exempt from the rate control and drainage plan preparation requirements of the Model Ordinance provided the activities are performed according to the requirements of 25 Pa. Code Chapter 102.
 - Forest management and timber operations are exempt from the rate control and Drainage plan preparation requirements of the Model Ordinance provided the activities are performed according to the requirements of 25 Pa. Code Chapter 102.
2. Erosion + Sedimentation Requirements

Adequate erosion protection which meets the regulations of Chapter 102 of the Clean Stream Law shall be provided.

Valley Creek

1. Impervious Area Exemptions

Land Development Standards

- All sites with 1,000 square feet or greater of proposed impervious area must comply with all plan requirements and standards of the ordinance. [Municipalities may use a smaller square foot threshold]

- All sites with 5,000 square feet or greater of proposed earth disturbance must comply with all plan requirements and standards of the ordinance. [Municipalities may use a smaller square foot threshold]

State Land Development Projects

- All sites with 1,000 square feet or greater of proposed new, additional and replacement impervious area must be consistent with all applicable standards of this Plan.
- All sites with 5,000 square feet or greater of proposed earth disturbance must be consistent with all applicable standards of this Plan.
- Projects that require a permit or approval from PADEP (i.e., NPDES, Chapter 102, Chapter 105, joint permit, etc.) must be submitted to and reviewed by PADEP for consistency with all applicable standards of this Plan.

2. Erosion + Sedimentation Requirements

Adequate erosion protection which meets the regulations of Chapter 102 of the Clean Stream Law shall be provided.

Wissahickon

Table 5.2.A Exemptions for the Montgomery County Portion of the Watershed

Article or Section	Type of Project	Proposed New Impervious Cover						
		< 1000 sq. ft.			≥ 1000 to < 5,000 sq. ft.			≥ 5,000 sq. ft.
		Earth Disturbance < 5,000 sq. ft.	Earth Disturbance ≥ 5,000 sq. ft. - 1 acre*	Earth Disturbance > 1 acre	Earth Disturbance < 5,000 sq. ft.*	Earth Disturbance ≥ 5,000 sq. ft. - 1 acre*	Earth Disturbance > 1 acre	All Earth Disturbance Categories
Article III SWP Site Plan Requirements	Development and Redevelopment	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Section 104 Recreational Project Design	Development and Redevelopment	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Section 105 Industrial Redevelopment	Development and Redevelopment	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Section 106 Water Volume Control Requirements	Development and Redevelopment	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Section 107 Municipal Utility Requirements	Development	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
	Redevelopment	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Section 108 Disturbance Free State Forest and Management Districts	Development and Redevelopment	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt
Custom and District Park Area Control Plan	Earth Disturbance	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements	See Earth Disturbance Requirements

(Refer to historical earth disturbance requirements in applicable)

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Borough Engineer		
2001-1010	TEA-21 - Ambler Streetscape 2002	SEPTA completed train preemption connection. 7-day flash period for Butler/Maple signal started 10/29. Signal anticipated to be put into operation on 11/5.
2003-0122-01	Ambler-2013 NPDES MS4 Permit	Awaiting PADEP review of TMDL Strategy & PRP. 2020 Annual Status Report submitted to PADEP 9/28/20. Next Annual Status Report due 9/30/21 for period 7/1/20 thru 6/30/21.
2006-08054	Pedestrian Sidewalk Upgrade Program	Revised Safety Report, ADA, Traffic and DM-3 (plans presentation) approved by PADOT. Utility clearance and lump sum justification to be revised and resubmitted. Plans to be submitted for constructability review.
2013-02020	Ambler Crossings	Construction underway. Escrow release for Phase 1 (Boiler House parking) provided 9/27/18. Escrow release #1 for Phase 2 provided 6/4/20.
2014-12015	St. Mary's Villa Residential Redevelopment - TIS	UDT submitted Traffic Signal Permit Application (TE-160) to PADOT on 8/28. PADOT has concurred a signal is warranted at Bethlehem/Lindenwold by way of 10/22 letter. UDT to prepare signal permit application and submit to PennDOT for review and approval.
2017-01010-01	Ambler Pocket Park - Ambler Square	Construction underway. Anticipate hardscapes and tree plantings in 2020 and perennials planted in Spring 2021.
2017-09055	Bridge/Culvert Assessments	Load rating reports Hendricks/Rose Valley provided 7/31/18 & for N. Maple/Tannery Run provided 10/2/18.. Condition assessment of Hendricks/Rose Valley underway. Condition assessment of N. Ridge/Rose Valley to be completed. Visual assessment of Tannery Run underway.
2019-05082	Ambler Borough 2019 Road Paving	Paving completed week of 11/4. Maintenance Bond dated 11/27/19. End of maintenance period 5/27/21.
2019-05082-02	Cavalier Lot Paving	Work completed 10/25/19. Maintenance Bond dated 12/19/19. End of maintenance period 6/18/21.
2020-01010	2020 Ambler Borough General Services	DCEd Small Water and Sewer program grant for Edgewood Dr storm sewer awarded on 8/17/20. Borough awaiting grant agreement from DCEd. RACP pre-award application submitted 8/12/20 for Poplar St improvements.
2020-07089	90 W. Butler Ave	Responding to developer's pre-application questions. Plans received and under review.
Sewer Engineer		
2013-02020-01	Ambler Crossings - Sewer	Construction underway. Sanitary Sewer is under construction
2020-01050	Ambler Borough 2020 General Sewer Services	Completed the 2021 Budget Allocation Questionnaire for Ambler's WWTP and transmitted to EEMA 10/6/20.
Water Engineer		
2012-10043	Loch Alsh Dam Annual Inspections	Annual inspection with PADEP scheduled for 11/12/20.
2013-02020-02	Ambler Crossings - Water	Construction underway. Water main is tested/complete
2013-02073	Loch Alsh Emergency Action Plan	Preparing 5-year update to Emergency Action Plan including a hydrologic & hydraulic analysis and inundation mapping revisions to meet regulatory requirements
2017-03128	Lafayette Ave. Water Main Replacement	Project complete 18 month maintenance period began 12/18/18. Maintenance period punch list issued 6/1/20.

GILMORE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

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Water Engineer		
2018-01154	Gwynedd Walk (LGT)	Water main construction and testing complete; some service curb stops remain to be installed. 18 month maintenance complete. Escrow release #2 recommended 8/11/20.
2018-01171	Mattison Estates (UDT)	Water construction and testing complete. 18 month maintenance period began 7/1/20. Ongoing reviews of water service connections.
2019-01169	Butler Pike Water Main Replacement	Bids received on 10/6/20. Contract awarded to KBC Construction LLC in amount of \$399,569.30. Easement acquisition process continues and MontCo HOP is pending.
2019-02097	Iron/Manganese Evaluation at Wells 4 and 8	Sampling at Well 4 indicates no action or treatment is required, as manganese levels are below the Health Advisory. See below for update regarding Well 8.
2020-01040	Ambler Borough DRBC Annual Water Audit	Preparing annual water audit report for 2019.
2020-01049	Ambler Borough 2020 General Water Services	Ongoing assistance concerning PFAS issues, including regulatory activity, source monitoring, providing information and responses to the public. Preparing update to water distribution system map. Prepared Public Notification required regarding SOC monitoring. Assisting Water Supv. with troubleshooting of area of system experiencing multiple main breaks. Reviewed most recent PFAS sampling results and recommended resampling of select wells.
2020-03071	MIRIA Grant Application	Assisted Water Dept. with preparation of grant application documents, including budget cost estimate for proposed PFAS treatment piping project to connect Wells 6 and 7 to proposed Well 2 treatment system.
2020-03072	Whitemarsh Plant Operations	Assisting Water Dept. with recommendations and revisions to the Whitemarsh Plant SOPs. Prepared revised calculations with recommended settings to meet 1.0-Log Giardia Inactivation requirements. Prepared and submitted plan to DEP for review and approval of tracer test to be conducted at Whitemarsh to determine contact time and efficiency of chlorine detention facilities. Preparing additional information requested by DEP. Anticipate tracer test to be conducted in mid-November.
2020-06158	Well 2 PFAS Treatment System	\$1,000,000 grant awarded by PADEP. Survey complete engineering design underway.
2020-08022	Well 8-Reserve Permitting & Treatment Evaluation	Cost estimate for addition of treatment for manganese and PFAS at Well 8 provided to Borough. Permit received from DEP on 10/20/20 placing Well 8 in Reserve status.
2020-08062	Houston Rd Tank-AT&T Upgrades	Plan review #1 letter issued 8/31/20.

Parks & Recreation Committee

Wednesday November 4, 2020

Sara Hertz – Chair

Nancy Deininger

Erin McKenna Endicott

Nellie DiPietro

OLD BUSINESS

1. **COMMUNITY GARDEN**

The Committee is moving forward with plans for creation of a Community Garden to be installed next spring. An information session was held on Sunday, November 1, at 3:30 at Knight Park at the picnic table area. Questions can be emailed to Jen Henderson Jhenderson@borough.ambler.pa.us

NEW BUSINESS

1. **PARK PLANNING WORKSHOPS**

Ambler Borough Planning Commission is currently working on a Parks Plan outlining the future of the Borough Parks System. They will be holding “zoom” workshops in the coming months for each one of the parks to solicit resident input and participation in this process. **(Attached)**

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IN YOUR PARKS?



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The Borough will be holding “zoom” workshops in the coming months to see how by maintaining and improving the park system in the Borough we can make Ambler an even better place to live, work, and play.

Please go to the below link or QR for more information and how to register.

**[WWW.BOROUGHOFAMBLER.COM/
DEPARTMENTS/PARKS-RECREATION](http://WWW.BOROUGHOFAMBLER.COM/DEPARTMENTS/PARKS-RECREATION)**

PARK MEETING DATES:

KNIGHT PARK

**Tuesday, November 24th at
6pm**

PICKERING FIELD

Tuesday, Dec 20th at 6pm

RICCARDI PARK

**Tuesday January 26th at
6pm**

BOROUGH PARK

EDGEWOOD PRESERVE

TENNIS AVENUE LOT

REIFF'S MILL OPEN SPACE

**Tuesday February 23rd at
6pm**

JEAN THOMPSON

PARK, WAHL PLAYGROUND

LOCUST STREET PARK

AMBLER SQUARE

Tuesday March 23rd at 6pm



Salary & Personnel Committee

Wednesday November 4, 2020

Nancy Deininger – Chair

Glynnis Siskind

Nellie Di Pietro

Jen Henderson

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1. **DEPARTMENT POSITIONS**

Resumes are being accepted for the vacant laborer position.

2. **VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Several volunteer committee positions expire at the end of the year. Appointments will be made by Council at the January Meeting for Committee positions with expiring terms which include: Appeals Board (2 seats – 3 year term); Civil Service Commission Alternate (current vacancy – 4 year term balance); Environmental Advisory Council (2 seats – 3 year term); Human Relations Commission (1 seat vacancy – 2 year term balance; 1 alternate seat – 2 year term balance); Planning Commission (1 seat – 4 year term); Vacancy Board (1 seat – 1 year term); and Zoning Hearing Board (1 seat – 3 year term; 1 seat Alternate – 3 year term; 1 seat Alternate – 2 year term balance). Interested candidates are asked to send a letter of interest and resume to the Borough Manager at manager@borough.ambler.pa.us or by mail to the Borough Manager.

3. **WATER AUTHORITY BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Ambler Borough has organized a municipal water authority under the provisions of the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Act. Terms for the 9-member Ambler Water Authority Board expiring the first Monday in January 2021 include: from Ambler Borough (1 seat) and from Whitpain Township (1 seat). Interested candidates are asked to send a letter of interest and resume to the Borough Manager at manager@borough.ambler.pa.us or by mail to the Borough Manager.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Public Safety Committee

1. EMERGENCY DECLARATION

A recommendation is requested this evening to adopt the **attached** Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 for the month of November.

Public Utilities

MILITIA HILL PAVING

1. Recommend the road restoration at Militia Hill Road and Route 73 be awarded to Associated Paving Contractors at the cost of \$33,660.