

BOROUGH OF AMBLER

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA March 21, 2017 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Sal Pasceri

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Jeanne Sorg

ROLL CALL: Ms. Mary Aversa

MINUTES APPROVED February 21, 2017

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

Public Safety Committee

The Committee Meeting was held March 7, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee members: Edward Curtis (Chair), Sharon Mc Cormick, Jonathan Sheward. Absent: Mrs. Hertz

The Committee will make no recommendations.

- 1. The Police Department report is attached.
- 2. The Fire Department report is attached.
- 3. The Community Ambulance is attached.
- 4. The Public Works and the Code Enforcement reports were received.
- 5. The EPA's public comment period to address proposed remediation to be performed at the BoRit site closed March 3, 2017. Ambler Borough has submitted a comment letter to the EPA.
- 6. The US Army Corps of Engineers will be hosting workshops given by the National Nonstructural/Flood Proofing Committee to promote the use of nonstructural flood risk adaptive measures for reducing flood risk to residential commercial and public property. Workshops are scheduled for June 22nd (6:30-9:30 p.m.) and June 24th (1:00-4:00 p.m.) at the Daniel Dowling Legion Post, 351 Maple Street. Representatives from the Army Corps, FEMA, PEMA, EPA and Montgomery County will be in attendance to answer questions.
- 7. Borough resident Cecilly Rudalavage addressed Council on signage at Euclid Avenue. Temporary red flashing lights were installed to help make residents aware of the new traffic pattern.

Wissahickon Fire Company Year 2017 Summary Chiefs Report

Total Per Drill

Types of Calls	Jan-17	Feb-17	Total	
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Assident Standbu	1		1	1.3%
Accident Standby AFA Actual	6	7	13	16.5%
AFA False				17.7%
	9	5	14	
Brush		f	1	1.3%
CO Detector	1	1	2	2.5%
Commercial Building	4	2	6	7.6%
FAST Team Assist	3		3	3.8%
Gas Odor Inside	2	2	4	5.1%
Helicopter Landing		1	1	1.3%
Non Commercial Building	12	3	15	19.0%
Officer Investigation	2	3	5	6.3%
Residential Rescue		1	1	1.3%
Standby	1		1	1.3%
Traffic Unit Assist	1	2	3	3.8%
Trash	1		1	1.3%
Vehicle Fire		2	2	2.5%
Vehicle Rescue	2	1	3	3.8%
Water Flow False	1	2	3	3.8%
Total	46	33	79	100.0%
Townships	Jan-17	Feb-17	Total	
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Ambier	12	12	24	30.4%
Lower Gwynedd	18	16	34	43.0%
Horsham				
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Montgomery	4	3	7	8.9%
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Ambler Borough Statistics - 2017

Month	Calls in Borough	Total Calls for CAAA
January	52	210
February March April May June	55	208
July August September October		
November December		й — с
YTD Totals	107	418

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Public Utilities Committee

The Committee Meeting was held March 7, 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: Mrs. Hertz

The Committee will consider the following recommendation.

 Authorization is requested to purchase a 2017 Ford Cab (Super Duty F-550 DRW XL 4WD Rag Cab 145"), Body (Warner S108-M-DW-U-5K Galanneal steel service body), and Liftgate (Theiman TT15ET-AL) through COSTARS with total contract pricing of \$109,222.00. (attached)

- 1. The Engineer's report was received.
- Pursuant to the requirement of the PA Public Utilities Commission,
 Borough Solicitor has submitted notification to the PA PUC of valves replaced
 and/or exercised in 2016 along with a notification of valves scheduled to be
 replaced and/or exercised in 2017.
- 3. Staff is reviewing the proposed TMDL Agreement with the Solicitor and the Engineer and will prepare a response.

FULTON LEASING COMPANY

LEASE QUOTE

Scot Reppert

Customer: Date: 2017 Ford F-550 03/06/2017 Ambler Borough

Asset:

Term Payment Frequency Initial Payment due at settlement Acquisition Fee Lease Payment Fixed Rate (Bank Qualified Tax Free) Residual Value Amount Financed

Lease Type

Sales Price

23,119.69	8	28,248.49	()	36,788.03	₩
500.00	↔	500.00	8	500.00	€9
22,619.69	49	27,748.49	4	36,288.03	4
4.10%		4.15%		4.20%	
Annual payments		Annual payments		Annual payments	
5 year		4 year		3 year	
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Municipal		Municipal		Municipal	

calendar year. Furthermore, it is assumed that the lessee will designate this issue as a qualified tax-exempt obligation per the tax act of BANK QUALIFICATION: This proposal assumes that the lessee will not be issuing more than \$10 million in tax-exempt obligations this net lease arrangement whereby lessee is responsible for all costs of operation, maintenance, insurance, and taxes. TYPE OF FINANCING: Tax-exempt Lease Purchase Agreement with a \$1.00 buy out option at end of lease term. Said agreement shall be a LEGAL TITLE: Legal title to the equipment during the lease term shall vest in the lessee, with Fulton Bank, N.A. perfecting a first security

agreement and shall designate the individual(s) to execute all necessary documents used therein AUTHORIZED SIGNERS: The lessee's governing board shall provide Fulton Bank, N.A. with its resolution or ordinance authorizing this

herein. This opinion shall be in a form and substance satisfactory to Fulton Bank, N.A. **LEGAL OPINION:** The lessee's counsel shall furnish Fulton Bank, N.A. with an opinion covering this transaction and the documents used

APPROVAL: Quotes are contingent upon final credit approval. RATE: The rate quoted above is valid for 30 days from the date of this quote. The Rate will be fixed for the term of the lease.

Thank you for your business

Jason D. Ibach

Fulton Leasing Company VP/Sr. Leasing Officer

717-735-8540

Finance and Planning Committee

The Committee Meeting was held March 7, 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: Mrs. Hertz

The Committee will consider the following recommendations.

1. That the February 2017 invoices be paid as follows:

#	Fund	FEB 1ST RUN	FE	B 2ND RUN		TOTALS
1	GENERAL	\$73,355.05	\$	29,006.38		\$102,361.43
2	STREET LGTS	\$1,334.25	\$	4,616.57		\$5,950.82
3	FIRE		\$	34.18		\$34.18
4	REFUSE	\$27,440.64		\$1,160.00		\$28,600.64
5	PARKS & REC	\$713.77		\$10,597.06		\$11,310.83
6	WATER	\$322,765.79		\$46,647.44		\$369,413.23
8	SEWER	\$15,765.57		\$96,008.82		\$111,774.39
9	WWTP	\$87,786.16		\$54,262.98		\$142,049.14
23	DEBT FUND					\$0.00
30	WATER CAPITAL	\$1,189.00				\$1,189.00
35	LIQUID FUELS	\$8,740.81	\$	859.47		\$9,600.28
	TOTALS	\$539,091.04		\$243,192.90		\$782,283.94
,	VOID CHECKS	\$0.00				\$0.00
(GRAND TOTAL	\$ 539,091.04	\$	243,192.90	\$ 5	782,283.94

- 2. Authorization is requested to sign a Cooperation Agreement between the Borough Of Ambler and the Redevelopment Authority for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant funding for the Ambler Boiler House Project.
- 3. Consider authorizing work with the following contractors for targeted renovations in the **Borough Hall Gym Wing**: contract award for electrical upgrade of ceiling lighting fixtures from fluorescent to LED "rail" high bay fixtures to Ambler Electric for \$7,625.00; contract for painting the gymnasium ceiling, walls and stage area to D&B General Contractors of Ambler for the lowest obtained quote of \$13,675.20 and contract award for replacement of 2 pairs of double exterior gymnasium exit doors and one single kitchen/loading bay exterior door, panic bars, thresholds and keying to Van's Lock Shop of Glenside for the lowest obtained quote of \$11,223.32.

- 4. Consider adoption of **Resolution 2017-03** in support of a Citizens Commission for Legislative and Congressional Redistricting.
- 5. Consider adoption of **Resolution 2017-04** in support of a Grant Application to the Montgomery County Housing & Community Development CDBG Program for Removal of Architectural Barriers at Public Area Restrooms in the Borough of Ambler Municipal Building.
- 6. A draft of the proposed language regarding zoning for medical marijuana processing facilities was received, direction is requested.
- 7. Authorization is requested to approve the lease agreement with SEPTA for the 2017 Farmers Market. (attached)

- 1. Scott Repke and Joe Duda will make their annual presentation relative to Borough pensions.
- 2. The Borough Engineer's report was received.
- 3. A draft ordinance amending the sign ordinance for clarification on temporary signs was received The Solicitor discussed this with Council and the opinion was to prepare a draft and decide at a later date on advertising for adoption if it becomes an issue in the Borough.

BOROUGH OF AMBLER MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION 2017-03

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A CITIZENS COMMISSION FOR LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING

WHEREAS, the citizens of Borough of Ambler and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania deserve a fair, fully transparent, impartial and de-politicized process of the decennial drawing of state legislature and congressional districts of near equal population; and

WHEREAS, legislative and congressional redistricting often has resulted in the gerrymandering of districts to favor one political party or the other; and

WHEREAS, such gerrymandering of legislative and congressional districts has worked at times to the detriment of our representative democracy by impeding action on critical issues of importance to the people; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a truly independent citizens redistricting commission devoid of political motivation or partisanship will help to ensure a fair and accurate legislative and congressional redistricting process that respects political subdivisions, will prohibit districts from being drawn to favor or discriminate against a political party or candidate, will promote transparency, the use of impartial and sound methodology when setting district boundaries, and allow for public input, and will fully comply with the constitutional requirement that "no county, city, incorporated tow, borough, township or ward" be divided "unless absolutely necessary;" and

WHEREAS, recent legislation has been introduced in the current legislative session to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to reform the decennial legislative and congressional redistricting process with the intent of using fairness and sound methodology in a non-partisan fashion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Ambler Borough Council does hereby support legislative efforts to secure expeditious action to make a constitutional amendment that would, among other reforms, assign the decennial task of both legislative and congressional redistricting to an independent citizens redistricting commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon all those elected officials in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who represent the citizens of the Borough of Ambler to publicly announce their support of and commitment to work towards passage of such legislative efforts, and that a copy of this resolution be delivered to each of them.

Governor Tom Wolf

Lieutenant Governor Mike Stack

Attorney General Josh Shapiro

United States Senator Bob Casey

United States Senator Pat Toomey

United States Rep. Brendon Boyle (13th Cong. District)

Pennsylvania Senator Stuart Greenleaf (12th District)

Pennsylvania Rep. Mary Jo Daley (148th District)

Dr. Valerie Arkoosh, Chair, Montgomery County Commissioner

Joseph C. Gale, Montgomery County Commissioner

Kenneth E. Lawrence, Jr., Vice Chair, Montgomery County Commissioner

Mayor Jeanne Sorg, Borough of Ambler

Salvatore Pasceri, Council President

Mary Aversa, Secretary

BOROUGH OF AMBLER MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION 2017-04

GRANT APPLICATION TO MONTGOMERY COUNTY
HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CDBG PROGRAM FOR
REMOVAL OF ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS – PUBLIC AREA RESTROOMS BOROUGH OF AMBLER MUNICIPAL BUILDING

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler Municipal Building is a municipal complex comprised of Administrative Offices, Police Department, Water Department, Gymnasium and Community Meeting Rooms; and

WHEREAS, while this public municipal facility was designed to serve all members of the community, the Borough Council of the Borough of Ambler has identified that architectural barriers exist with certain public area restrooms which limit the accessibility, mobility and complete use of members of this community; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of Borough Council of the Borough of Ambler to provide accessible routes and useable common use areas and public area restrooms to all members of the community so that they may participate in civic and community activities and enjoy the complex; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Ambler has determined that this public infrastructure improvement would benefit "limited clientele" who must be provided with complete accessibility to and mobility in public area restrooms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Borough Council of the Borough of Ambler hereby authorizes the Borough Manager to file with the Montgomery County Housing & Community Development CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) program an application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, for Architectural Barrier Removal – Public Area Restrooms - Ambler Borough Municipal Building and further authorizes the Borough Manager as the official representative of the application to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Borough Council of the Borough of Ambler hereby acknowledges that it will pay any engineering costs as matching funds.

ADOPTED this 21th day of March 2017 by Borough of Ambler Council.

Salvatore Pasceri	Mary Aversa
Ambler Borough Council President	Ambler Borough Manager

Borough Of Ambler

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February 28, 2017

Mary Aversa, Borough Manager Borough of Ambler 122 East Butler Avenue Ambler, PA 19002

Re: Proposed Draft Ordinance

Medical Marijuana Growing/Processing

Dear Mrs. Aversa:

Please be advised that the Ambler Borough Planning Commission at its February 28, 2017, meeting voted unanimously to pass the proposed Montgomery County Planning Commission January 24, 2017, draft language Memo regarding compliance with Pennsylvania Medical Marijuana Act for permitting medical marijuana growing/processing facilities and dispensaries in Borough Zoning Districts to our Borough Solicitor who will provide a draft Ordinance to the Planning Commission for review at a future meeting.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Chairman, Robert Lagreca.

Very truly yours,

Carol Ann DiPietro Secretary Ambler Borough Planning Commission

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> > JODY L. HOLTON, AICP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 2, 2017

SUBJECT: Medical Marijuana Zoning Ordinance DRAFT

TO: Glenn Kucher, Borough Code Enforcement Officer

Joseph Bresnan, Esq., Borough Solicitor

FROM: Lauren Van Dyk, Community Planner

§27-202 Definitions

DISPENSARY – A person who holds a permit issued by the Department to dispense medical marijuana. The term does not include a health care medical marijuana organization as defined under Sections 1901-1908 of the Act.

GROWER/PROCESSOR – A person who holds a permit from the Department under the Act to grow and process medical marijuana. This term does not include a health care medical marijuana organization as defined under Sections 1901-1908 of the Act.

GROWING/PROCESSING FACILITY - Any building or structure used to dispense medical marijuana by a licensed dispensary and that meets all requirements of the Act.

MEDICAL MARIJUANA – Marijuana for certified medical use as set forth in the Act.

MEDICAL MARIJUANA ORGANIZATION or FACILITY – A dispensary or a growing/processing facility. The term does not include a health care medical marijuana organization under Sections 1901-1908 of the Act or a clinical registrant under Sections 2001-2003 of the Act.

GROWING/PROCESSING FACILITIES

§27-1502.1 I-Industrial District Permitted Uses.

F. Medical marijuana growing/processing facility.

§27-1504 I-Industrial Development Regulations.

H. Medical marijuana growing/processing facilities.

- 1. All applicable standards in Part IX, Title 28 of the Pennsylvania Code shall apply to any medical marijuana facility.
- 2. The growing/processing facility shall not be located in a trailer, cargo container, mobile or modular unit, mobile home, recreational vehicle or other motor vehicle.
- 3. A facility shall have an enclosed secure area out of public sight for the loading and unloading of medical marijuana into and from a transport vehicle (temporary regulations §1151.23.c).

Off-street parking for medical marijuana growing/processing facilities shall comply with Part 21 Off-Street Parking and Loading. Parking space requirement for industrial uses: 1 space per 500 square feet of gross floor area or per employee on the largest shift, whichever is greater; plus 1 unloading area/dock for each building complex.

DISPENSARIES

§27-1302.1 C-Commercial District Permitted Uses

K. Medical marijuana dispensary.

§27-1306 C-Commercial Development Regulations

- A. Medical marijuana dispensaries.
 - 1. All applicable standards in Part IX, Title 28 of the Pennsylvania Code shall apply to any medical marijuana facility.
 - 2. Signage shall comply with Part 20 contained herein.

Off-street parking for medical marijuana dispensaries shall comply with Part 21 Off-Street Parking and Loading. Parking space requirement for retail uses: 1 space per 250 square feet of gross sales floor area plus 1 space her employee on the largest shift.

THE BOROUGH OF AMBLER, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA ORDINANCE NUMBER

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF AMBLER AMENDING THE SIGN ORDINANCE, TITLE 27 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, BY AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF TEMPORARY SIGN, CREATING UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL TEMPORARY SIGNS AND REMOVING TIME LIMITS ON THE DISPLAY OF TEMPORARY SIGNS; LEAVING THE REMAINDER OF THE ORDINANCE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler has enacted a chapter of the codified zoning ordinance that regulates all manner of signs throughout the Borough, and

WHEREAS, as the result of a decision of the United States Supreme Court, *Gilbert v Arizona*, all manner of temporary signs must be treated equally and without regard to the content of the sign, and the Borough wishes its ordinance to be in conformity of the law,

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDAINED as follows:

- 1. 27-2003 of the Borough Codified Ordinances, "Definitions" is amended as follows: The existing definition of "Temporary Sign" is deleted and in its place the following shall be inserted: "A non-commercial sign that provides notice of an event such as a yard sale or other civic function; election signs advocating the election or defeat of a candidate or ballot question; signs advertising the auction or sale of real estate or personal property; or any other non-commercial sign expressing a view or opinion that is not obscene or otherwise impermissible. The definition shall also include non-temporary commercial signage such as real estate and development signs and signs for events beyond normal day to day business operations such as grand opening or going out of business. Such signs must be stationary, not placed in rights of way nor extend into rights of way, shall not obscure clear views at intersections or curves, shall not be illuminated, shall not be higher than four feet in height nor greater than twelve square feet of aggregate surface area. There shall not be more than two such signs on one property. These regulations control all manner of temporary sign even if not expressly named herein, and these regulations are controlling over any other dimensional regulations elsewhere in the sign ordinance.
- 2. 27-2005, "Exempt Signs", is hereby amended as follows: The following paragraphs are deleted: "B", Real estate signs
 - "C", Political signs
 - "E", Civic Event signs.
 - "I", Temporary signs, sub-paragraphs (1) through (5) inclusive. In its place, Paragraph "I" will say only, "Temporary Signs" and will have no text thereafter.
- 3. 27-2006, Signs in Residential Districts" is amended as follows: Paragraph "D", Real Estate signs, is deleted. Paragraph "E", Development signs, is deleted.
- 4. 27-2007, "Signs in the Non-Residential Zoning Districts DC, C, O, OC, RSC, IN" is amended as follows: Paragraph "B", Real Estate and Development Signs, is deleted.

The remainder of the sign ordinance remains in full force and effect, unaffected by the within amendments. This ordinance is effective on the earliest date set forth in section 3301.3(b) of the Pennsylvania Borough Code.					
SO ORDAINED this day of	, 2017				
Salvatore Pasceri, Council President					
ATTEST: Mary Aversa, Secretary					

Parks and Recreation Committee

The Committee Meeting was held March 7, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Frank DeRuosi (Chair), Nancy Deininger and Sara Hertz. Absent: Mrs. Hertz

The Committee will make no recommendations

- 1. Residents have requested the following additions to be made to Wahl Playground: Staff is researching pricing.
 - Horizontal rock climbing wall (2). One higher wall installed on Rosemary side of the gym to be utilized by older children; 1 lower wall installed on the Poplar side of the side to be utilized by younger children.
 - Games painted on cement walkway (i.e., hopscotch, jump marks, mirror me)
 - Rope bridge extended between the trees on the Rosemary side of the building.
 - Mailbox where community sidewalk chalk can be housed.
 - Extending split rail fencing along Rosemary Avenue.
- A request to turn the lights on at the Skate Park during the winter months till 7:00 pm was received. The Committee will look into this over the summer months.
- 3. Trees will be tagged to identify which ash trees should be removed and which will receive treatment later this spring.
- 4. The Committee is discussing fundraising efforts with Ambler Junior Baseball.
- 5. A public survey has been prepared to receive input from Borough Residents on the Pocket Park. The 'survey monkey' survey will be posted on the Borough website.
- 6. Earth Day activities have been scheduled for April 22 in the Gym, the EAC is planning the event.

Salary & Personnel Committee

The Committee Meeting was held March 7, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Nancy Deininger (Chair) Sara Hertz, Sharon Mc Cormick and Francine Tomlinson. Absent: Mrs. Hertz

The Committee will consider the following recommendations.

- 1. A resume was received from Ms. Wendy Fry to be appointed to the Board of Community Ambulance Association of Ambler.
- 2. The attached resumes were received for the Vacant seat on the Planning Commission. A recommendation is requested.

The following business will be discussed.

1. A resignation letter was received from M. Polesir for her position on the Environmental Advisory Commission. There are now 4 vacancies.

Recommendation

Public Utilities

Authorization is requested to lease purchase a 2017 Ford Cab (Super Duty F-550 DRW XL 4WD Reg Cab 145"), through COSTARS with total contract pricing of \$109,222.00 for the WWTP.

Finance and Planning Committee

Recommend the February 2017 invoices be paid in the amount of \$782,283.94.

Authorization is requested to sign a Cooperation Agreement between the Borough Of Ambler and the Redevelopment Authority for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant funding for the Ambler Boiler House Project.

Consider authorizing work with the following contractors for targeted renovations in the **Borough Hall Gym Wing**:

Contract award for electrical upgrade of ceiling lighting fixtures from fluorescent to LED "rail" high bay fixtures to Ambler Electric for \$7,625.00.

Contract for painting the gymnasium ceiling, walls and stage area to D&B General Contractors of Ambler for the lowest obtained quote of \$13,675.20

Contract award for replacement of 2 pairs of double exterior gymnasium exit doors and one single kitchen/loading bay exterior door, panic bars, thresholds and keying to Van's Lock Shop of Glenside for the lowest obtained quote of \$11,223.32.

Consider adoption of **Resolution 2017-03** in support of a Citizens Commission for Legislative and Congressional Redistricting.

Consider adoption of **Resolution 2017-04** in support of a Grant Application to the Montgomery County Housing & Community Development CDBG Program for Removal of Architectural Barriers at Public Area Restrooms in the Borough of Ambler Municipal Building.

A draft of the proposed language regarding zoning for medical marijuana processing facilities was received, direction is requested

Salary and Personnel Committee

Letters of interest were received for the vacant seat on the Planning Commission. A recommendation is requested.

A letter of interest was received from Ms. Wendy Fry to be appointed to the Board of Community Ambulance Association of Ambler.

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