



BOROUGH OF AMBLER

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

May 22, 2019

7:00 p.m.

Swearing in of Officer Ian Stanley 6:30PM

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Frank DeRuosi

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Jeanne Sorg

ROLL CALL: Ms. Mary Aversa

Minutes for Consideration:

April 16, 2019

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

Public Safety Committee

The Committee meeting was held May 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee members: Claudio Zaccone (Chair), Nancy Deininger and Glynnis Siskind.

The Committee will consider the following recommendations.

1. Consider advertising for adoption a proposed Ordinance amending Borough codified Ordinances on Disorderly Conduct. **(attached)**
2. Consider adoption of Resolution 2019-5 suspending enforcement of Ordinance 748 for persons attending the Arts & Music Festival events and the Oktoberfest Festival events. **(attached)**

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Police Department report is **attached**.
2. The Fire Department report will be provided.
3. The Community Ambulance report is **attached**.
4. The Public Works and the Code Enforcement reports were received.
5. Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Monday, June 3rd (2 – 7 p.m.) in the Borough Hall Gym. An appointment to give may be made by going online to www.redcrossblood.org and entering the sponsor keyword ‘ambler’ or by calling 1-800-Red-Cross.

THE BOROUGH OF AMBLER, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA

ORDINANCE NUMBER _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF AMBLER AMENDING ORDINANCE 6-301 OF THE BOROUGH CODIFIED ORDINANCES, DISORDERLY CONDUCT, BY ADDING ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS OF DISORDERLY CONDUCT; CLARIFYING THE GRADING OF THE OFFENSE AS A SUMMARY OFFENSE WITH A MAXIMUM 90 DAY PENALTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF ANY FINE IMPOSED; LEAVING THE REMAINDER OF THE ORDINANCE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT; EFFECTIVE ON THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE PURSUANT TO THE BOROUGH CODE

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Ambler Borough Council to amend its ordinance prohibiting disorderly conduct by having the definitions of such conduct align with the definitions provided in the Pennsylvania Crimes Code for such conduct,

NOW THEREFORE, ordinance 6-301 is modified by the addition of new paragraphs "1C" and "1D" which provide as follows:

1.C. "Use obscene language or make an obscene gesture".

1.D. "Create a hazardous or physically offensive condition by any act which serves no legitimate purpose of the actor."

Section 6-302 is amended as follows:

The existing language is removed in its entirety. In its place, the following language shall be inserted:

"Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense."

The remainder of the ordinance remains in full force and effect, unaffected by the addition of the within language. Effective upon adoption the earliest effective date provided for in the Borough Code.

SO ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Frank R. DeRuosi, Board Chairman

Attest: _____
Mary Aversa, Board Secretary

BOROUGH OF AMBLER
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-05

A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCE 748
FOR PERSONS ATTENDING AMBLER BOROUGH'S

ARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL EVENTS
ON JUNE 14 AND 15, 2019

AND FOR PERSONS ATTENDING
OKTOBERFEST FESTIVAL EVENTS
ON OCTOBER 4 and 5, 2019

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance 748, Codified in the Borough Ordinances at §6-101, prohibiting the carrying of alcoholic beverages in open containers, will not be enforced on June 14 and 15, 2019 against any attendee of Ambler Borough's Arts & Music Festival events or on October 4 and 5, 2019 against any attendee of Ambler Borough's Oktoberfest Festival events. During the festival, vendors and merchants will sell alcoholic beverages which may be carried and consumed by attendees within the visible boundaries of the event. Ordinance 748 will remain in force in the remainder of the Borough on those dates. All other laws relating to public conduct, including public intoxication and underage drinking, will remain in full force and effect, including throughout the festival events.

SO RESOLVED this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Frank DeRuosi, Council President

Mary Aversa, Secretary



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Ambler Borough Statistics – 2019

<u>Month</u>	<u>Calls in Borough</u>	<u>Total Calls for CAAA</u>
January	65	412
February	58	402
March	75	408
April	66	406
May		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
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YTD Totals	264	1626

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Springfield Township and Portions of Upper Dublin Township*

Public Utilities Committee

The Committee meeting was held May 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Glynnis Siskind (Chair), Sal Pasceri, Claudio Zaccone and Francine Tomlinson.

The Committee will make no recommendations.

The following business will be discussed.

1. The WWTP Engineer's will be provided.
2. The Borough Solicitor is working on the process of forming a Water Authority.

Finance and Planning Committee

The Committee meeting was held May 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Francine Tomlinson (Chair), Nellie Di Pietro and Erin McKenna Endicott.

The Committee will consider the following recommendation.

1. That the April 2019 invoices be paid as follows:

#	Fund	APR 1st Run	APR 2ND RUN	TOTALS
1	GENERAL	\$263,861.45	\$ 116,001.98	\$379,863.43
2	STREET LGTS	\$4,833.47	\$301.15	\$5,134.62
3	FIRE			\$0.00
4	REFUSE	\$36,824.15		\$36,824.15
5	PARKS & REC	\$2,941.91	\$1,854.80	\$4,796.71
6	WATER	\$152,474.03	\$107,881.50	\$260,355.53
8	SEWER	\$13,958.16	\$5,177.52	\$19,135.68
9	WWTP	\$144,056.89	\$89,773.29	\$233,830.18
23	DEBT FUND			\$0.00
30	WATER CAPITAL			\$0.00
35	LIQUID FUELS	\$222.19		\$222.19
TOTALS		\$619,172.25	\$320,990.24	\$940,162.49
VOID CHECKS				\$0.00
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 619,172.25	\$ 320,990.24	\$940,162.49

2. **Attached** is the License Agreement for the Main Street Farmers Market. A recommendation is requested to approve the SEPTA lease agreement.
3. **Attached** is a quote from ZEO for \$4,932.00 for microphones and mixer, authorization to upgrade the system is requested.

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Borough Engineer's report was received.

2. The Borough Auditors will attend the meeting to discuss the 2018 Audit.
3. The Committee will look into the feasibility of creating a Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB) or Historical Commission.
4. Ambler's Planning Commission has reviewed and recommended green improvement options language for installing pervious pavement. Council is not moving forward with the ordinance change.
5. Jason Mangler would like to speak to Borough Council about the possibility of another Ambler Criterium Bike Race in 2020.
6. Borough Council is not moving forward with the meeting video proposal from Swagit.
7. The planning commission is preparing language to amend our wireless ordinance and fee schedule to comply with the FCC order as well as develop design requirements for wireless facilities in the rights-of-way to prevent aesthetically obtrusive facilities.

Parks and Recreation Committee

The Committee meeting was held May 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Sara Hertz (Chair), Nancy Deininger and Erin McKenna Endicott.

The Committee will consider the following recommendation.

1. **PROCLAMATION – WISSAHICKON CLASS OF '89 DAY**

Consider passage of a Proclamation designating June 6, 2019 as Wissahickon Class of 1989 Day. **(attached)**

2. SmartWatt Energy, on behalf of PECO, has conducted a facilities LED audit at Borough Hall and the Borough Garage. Upgrade of 225 fixtures to LED's at Borough Hall by SmartWatt will save around \$217 per month off electric bills. PECO is contributing almost \$4,000 towards this proposal. The project will pay for itself in around 3 years. At the Borough Garage an estimated \$70 per month savings off electric bills can be realized. The project will pay for itself in 2 years and PECO will contribute over 30% (almost \$1,000) towards the cost of the project. Authorization is requested to approve the proposal from SmartWatt Energy. **(attached)**

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Ambler Environmental Advisory Council would like to give every homeowner a rain barrel and assess your property's storm water needs to see if it qualifies for a reduced cost rain garden, downspout planter, or permeable conversion
2. Camp registration is open. Parents may register at the Ambler YMCA starting May 2nd. Camp will run June 17th – July 26th from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Camp fee is \$45 per week per child. Proof of Ambler Borough residency required.
3. The Committee would like to explore a possible Plastics Ordinance in the Borough. They will work with the local businesses and discuss options.
4. The EAC provided an update on the Growing Greener Grant.
5. Movies in the Parks schedule is as follows: "Lego Movie – The Last Part" on Friday, June 28 at Pickering Field and "Star Wars – The Last Jedi" on Friday, July 19 at Ricciardi Park. The Viewers' Choice movie for Friday, August 23 at Knight Park will be selected at the June movie showing. All movies are free. Movies begin at dusk. In the event of rain movies will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in the Borough Hall gym. **(attached)**



BOROUGH OF AMBLER
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

**BY PROCLAMATION
OF AMBLER BOROUGH COUNCIL AND THE MAYOR OF AMBLER**

**DESIGNATING JUNE 6, 2019 AS
WISSAHICKON CLASS OF 1989 DAY**

WHEREAS, the High School years are exciting times for learning, dreaming and achieving, and High School graduation marks both an ending and a beginning; and

WHEREAS, looking back 30 years -- during the year 1989 -- we can remember that the Berlin Wall came down; Madonna's "Like a Prayer" played on the radio, "Who Framed Roger Rabbit" and "Good Morning Vietnam" aired at the theatre; most popular books were Amy Tan's "The Joy Luck Club" and Stephen Hawking's "A Brief History of Time"; "Driving Miss Daisy" won the Best Picture Academy Award and "The Phantom of the Opera" won the Best Musical Tony Award; and

WHEREAS, students from Wissahickon High School's Class of 1989 celebrated their day of graduation 30 years ago with a sense of pride and accomplishment; and

WHEREAS, 30 years is a milestone for the Wissahickon Class of 1989 and demonstrates how far classmates have come in this world as they continue to venture on through life's journey; and

WHEREAS, alumni from the Wissahickon Class of 1989 assemble in our communities from June 6 - 8, 2019 to recognize and celebrate their milestone of 30 years achieved.

NOW THEREFORE BY PROCLAMATION, Ambler Borough Council and the Mayor of Ambler do hereby recognize the respondents to the Wissahickon Class of 1989 as follows:

From Ambler Borough: Charles Fisher, Anthony Fedele, Dawn Williams Wimbush, Denise Chlberti Copley, Roberta Trinchi Diver, Jennifer Kalnin Dadura, Mary Posen Goshaw, Jane Neiva Burkhart, Charles Roberto, Andreas Gaynor, Linda Montella Carter, Joe Koch, Brian Ambrose, Maria Gullo Schank, Charlie Koch, Christian Raucci, Raymond Hummel, Steve Farzetta, Tom Farzetta, Robert Palfrey, Robert Chiodo, Ciara Perrotti Thurlow, Tia Parker, Harry Heckler, Tiffany Joel, Marnie Langman, John Pugliese, Lori Santo Horieson, Kevin Weidamoyer, Tricia Gourke, Isabella Decembrino, Jill Bodner, Jason D'Amico, Eddie Curtis, Jr., Ruben Mesa, Heather Majka, Donna Gambles Harrison.

From Lower Gwynedd Township: Marti Stewart Kimble, Amy Breen Kunihiro, William Fennell, Heather Kincade, Lisa Futch, Jennifer Johnson, Karen Lynch Weldon, Michelle Adams, Stephen Doyle, Eden Ginsberg Mandrell, Inger Stevens, Carmina Taylor, Kristin Kennedy, Chris Dooley, David Kitchen, Ronica Johnson, Bob Lee, Jill Frock Walters, Mike Mahoney, Jessica Meyers, Chris Nelson, Dianna Newton, Andrew Nicolai, Christian Scott, Ross Shulman, Kim Wilson, Sam Wilson, Stacey Fields Gross, Kim Calabrese Dever, Derek Casey, Tom Son.

From Whitpain Township: Sandie DiPietrae Swanger, Paul Jorgensen, Jennifer McDonald Casey, Marnie Bertolet, Denise Moran, Michelle Moran, Heather Barnett Garman, Jen Berger, Shannon Petrick Zeidler, Melanie Roth Sponholz, Joe Miller, Heather May Moser, Ingrid Horne, Amy Jara Robinson, Jennifer Baker Mobarek, Allison Strader Barnes, T.J. McGuigan, Jennifer Volksdorf Pasquarello, Chris Volksdorf, Michelle Taylor, Tiffany Simons Jones, Stephanie Miller Staniar, Jim Yang, Paul Arena, Joel Rathje, Jeremy Welther, JoonMoo Lee, Charles Christine, Pete Kreitchet, George M. Carpentar, Jr., Jim Ruiz, Stephanie Miller Staniar, Derrick Leach, Noah Stein, Tom Huynh, Brian Shaw, Jillese Ferraro Cobb, Michele Price O’Kane, James Camper, Christine Yeni Camper, Renee Clemons, Doraine Dukes, Dinette Norman, Donna Zummo, Amy Corson Nadell, Joe Trabocco, Andrea Najja Mahoney, Karen Kaltenbacher Perkins, Amy Ford, Sarah Graham Schlofeldt, Holly Lightbody Bouslough, Kimberly Chisholm Mehaffey, Megan Lobley Perillo, Wayne Smith, Candy Weldon, Brian McGann, Michelle Dietrich, Lisa Pykosh, Avon Findlater, Scott Noble, Sarah Telfer, Vikram Phatek, Tiffany Gamula, Greg Pitelli, John Hagan, Scott Polsky, Jaydeep Joshi, David Nathan, Jay Tornetta, Tony Lostracco, Lee Radosh, Tammie Liotta Wengel, Sean Scalley, Joel Wilson, Deirdre Whann, Brittnie Banks Boyda, Jen Berger, Sue Sacco Lourick, Kat Mittman, Bonnie Wakeley Ponzio, Scott Young, Adam Stockett, Joe Miller, Dennis Lojecki, Kelly Ann Caramanno, Chrissy Carter.

FURTHER BY PROCLAMATION, Ambler Borough Council and the Mayor of Ambler do hereby designate **June 6, 2019** as ***Class of 1989 Day***, and on behalf of the residents of Ambler Borough extend this expression of good will and friendship to each member of the graduating class of 1989.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, so proclaimed this _____ day of _____, 2019

Frank DeRuosi, Ambler Borough Council President

Mayor Jeanne Sorg

Mary Aversa, Secretary



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS IN THE PARKS BOROUGH OF AMBLER

This summer the Ambler Borough Parks & Recreation Committee will present **THREE** feature films **free for your entire family**. Please join us in the parks this summer!

2019 Summer Movie Schedule

Fri, June 28. . **LEGO MOVIE – The Second Part** . . . Pickering Field

Fri, July 19. . . **STAR WARS – The Last Jedi** - . . . Ricciardi Park

Fri, August 23 . . . ‘Viewers’ Choice’ . . . Knight Park –
movie will be voted on at the June
movie showing.

Free Movie Events!
Movies will begin at dusk.
Bring your own snacks!



Check out the Borough Website at www.boroughofambler.com for any changes in schedules. In the event of rain movies will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in the Borough Hall Gymnasium, 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler.

Salary & Personnel Committee

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The Committee will consider the following recommendation.

1. A recommendation will be made for the Water Operator position.
2. Consider appointment of Elizabeth Rosencrans to the Environmental Advisory Council.

Approved at the Committee Meetings.

1. The Committee adopted a Social Media Policy/Code of Conduct Policy. 9-Aye.
2. Authorization was granted on 4-30-2019 to approve the hiring of John Najbrt to the vacant Highway Laborer position. (7-Aye)
3. Authorization was granted on 4-30-2019 to approve the hiring of Brian Ly as a probationary patrol officer pending the successful completion of the civil service requirements. (7-Aye)

The following business will be discussed.

Recommendations

Public Utilities Committee

Public Safety Committee

A recommendation is requested to advertise for adoption a proposed Ordinance amending Borough codified ordinances on Disorderly Conduct.

A recommendation is requested to adopt Resolution 2019- 05 suspending enforcement of Ordinance 748 for persons attending the Arts & Music Festival events and the Oktoberfest Festival events.

Finance and Planning Committee

Recommendation that the April 2019 invoices be paid in the amount of **\$940,162.49**.

A recommendation is requested to approve the SEPTA lease agreement for the Farmers Market.

A recommendation to approve the quote from ZEO for \$4,932.00 for microphones and mixer in the meeting room.

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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. It is requested that you state your name and address. 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