



# **BOROUGH OF AMBLER**

## **COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**June 18, 2019**

**7:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Frank DeRuosi**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Jeanne Sorg**

**ROLL CALL: Ms. Mary Aversa**

**Minutes for Consideration:**

**May 22, 2019**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

## Public Safety Committee

The Committee meeting was held June 4, 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. Absent: Mr. Pasceri.

### **The Committee will consider the following recommendations.**

1. Consider adoption of Ordinance 1113 amending Borough codified Ordinances on Disorderly Conduct. **(attached)**
2. A recommendation is requested to approve the **attached** agreement that establishes provisions for MCDPS – Montgomery County Department of Public Safety -- to be reimbursed by Municipalities for emergency refueling services for equipment provided at the scene of a large incident actively engaged in response efforts.

### **The following business will be discussed.**

1. The Police Department report will be provided.
2. The Fire Department report will is **attached**.
3. The Community Ambulance report is **attached**.
4. The Public Works and the Code Enforcement reports were received.

THE BOROUGH OF AMBLER, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA

ORDINANCE NUMBER 1113

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

This Memorandum of Agreement, by and between

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

(Hereinafter referred to as "MCDPS")

AND

**MUNICIPALITY** (Hereinafter referred to as "Municipality").

**FOR**

**EMERGENCY REFUELING SERVICES AT LARGE INCIDENTS**

Establishes provisions for MCDPS to be reimbursed by Municipality for emergency refueling services for equipment provided at the scene of a large incident actively engaged in response efforts.

1. MCDPS, as part of its mission to provide support and coordination for municipalities, response organizations and continuity of government / operations during times of disaster, maintains a listing of fuel delivery companies willing to provide emergency delivery of fuel to active incidents.
2. Municipality will exhaust all resources prior to requesting / enacting the MCDPS emergency refueling resource in order to maintain incident operations.
3. This MOA will be enacted immediately if the MUNICIPALITY does not have a standing contract with an emergency fuel supplier.

It is mutually agreed between MCDPS and MUNICIPALITY as follows:

1. MCDPS agrees to provide initial payment for emergency refueling services for all apparatus / equipment actively engaged in incident response efforts. It is understood that refueling services will not be provided for staged apparatus.
2. MUNICIPALITY agrees to reimburse MCDPS all costs related to the coordination and delivery of emergency fuel to the incident within 60 days of termination of the incident.
3. MCDPS and MUNICIPALITY agree to jointly coordinate the on-scene delivery of emergency fuel to maintain records of which apparatus / equipment are fueled with fuel type and amount fueled by apparatus / equipment.
4. MCDPS agrees to confirm the coordination of emergency delivery of fuel services with an authorized representative of the MUNICIPALITY for purposes of concurrence of service.
5. MCDPS reserves the right to bill all agencies provided emergency refueling individually to recoup all fuel costs should MUNICIPALITY fail to provide reimbursement for the emergency delivery of fuel cost.
6. MUNICIPALITY reserves the right to enact all previously adopted ordinances in order to recoup all costs associated with the emergency delivery of fuel from the property owner or responsible party.

**Authority:**

PA Title 35, Part III, Chapter 75, Section 7503 (3) – Powers and Duties of Political Subdivision and Section 7504 Coordination, assistance and mutual aid (b) Assistance from higher government unit

Agreed and Accepted:

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Montgomery County Dept of Public Safety

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Municipality



**Wissahickon Fire Company  
Fire Chief Report  
Year 2019 (120 days)**

Township	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Total	%
Ambler	23	12	15	15	12	77	35%
Conshohocken		1			1	2	1%
Hatfield		1				1	0%
Horsham	1	1	2		1	5	2%
Lower Gwynedd	17	19	17	20	24	97	45%
Lower Providence	1					1	0%
Montgomery	2		1	2		5	2%
North Wales	1					1	0%
Plymouth	2					2	1%
Springfield					1	1	0%
Upper Dublin	3	1	4		2	10	5%
Upper Salford					1	1	0%
Whitemarsh	2	1	1	2	1	7	3%
Whitpain	1	2	1	2	1	7	3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>217</b>	

Type of Call	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Total	%
Accident Standby	4	1		1	2	8	4%
AFA Actual	8	13	11	11	7	50	23%
AFA False	10	9	11	11	9	50	23%
Appliance			1	2		3	1%
Brush	1				3	4	2%
Building Investigation		3	3	1		7	3%
CO Detector			1	2		3	1%
Commercial Bldg	4	1	4	1	4	14	6%
EMS Assist				2	1	3	1%
Fast Team Assist	1	1	1	1		4	2%
Gas Odor Inside	2	1	1	1	1	6	3%
Gas Odor Outside	2		1		1	4	2%
LDH Strike Team	1					1	0%
Non Comm Bldg	4		4	1	1	10	5%
Officer Investigation	4			4	2	10	5%
Ornamental Fireplace					1	1	0%
EMS Assist			1			1	0%
Smoke in Area	1	1				2	1%
Standby	2	1	1		3	7	3%
Traffic Unit assist	1	3		3		7	3%
Trash					2	2	1%
Vehicle Fire	1					1	0%
Vehicle Rescue	3	1				4	2%
Wires	4	3	1		7	15	7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>217</b>	



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Fire Chief Report  
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Day of the week	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Total	%
Monday	7	9	3	5	9	33	15%
Tuesday	8	3	8	8	6	33	15%
Wednesday	6	3	1	4	8	22	10%
Thursday	9	8	6	6	6	35	16%
Friday	8	5	8	7	7	35	16%
Saturday	10	6	8	6	2	32	15%
Sunday	5	4	7	5	6	27	12%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>217</b>	

Attendance	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Total	%
Day Calls (M to F 6AM to 6PM)	29	19	21	18	23	110	
Attendance at Day Calls	394	222	266	145	263	1,290	49%
Average	13.6	11.7	12.7	8.1	11.4	11.7	
Night & Weekend Calls	24	19	20	23	21	107	
Attendance at N & W Calls	374	227	266	244	238	1,349	51%
Average	15.6	11.9	13.3	10.6	11.3	12.6	
Total Calls	53	38	41	41	44	217	
Total Attendance	768	449	532	389	501	2,639	100%
Average	14.5	11.8	13.0	9.5	11.4	12.2	



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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	57	407
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
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YTD Totals	321	2035

*Serving Ambler Borough, Lower Gwynedd Township  
Springfield Township and Portions of Upper Dublin Township*



### **Public Utilities Committee**

The Committee meeting was held June 4, 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. Absent: Mr. Pasceri.

#### **The Committee will consider the following recommendation.**

1. Authorization is requested to proceed with the design and PADEP permitting of the new U V system. We have \$50,000.00 in the budget for 2019 to design a new UV system.

#### **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 June 4, 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. Absent: Mr. Pasceri.

### **The Committee will consider the following recommendations.**

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

#	Fund	MAY 1st Run	MAY 2ND RUN	TOTALS
1	GENERAL	\$17,659.77	\$ 78,909.39	\$96,569.16
2	STREET LGTS		\$4,976.62	\$4,976.62
3	FIRE	\$124,527.57		\$124,527.57
4	REFUSE	\$31,422.54	\$1,540.29	\$32,962.83
5	PARKS & REC	\$1,584.00	\$3,865.91	\$5,449.91
6	WATER	\$28,055.50	\$63,985.43	\$92,040.93
8	SEWER	\$123,248.06	\$13,142.42	\$136,390.48
9	WWTP	\$72,533.60	\$60,744.88	\$133,278.48
23	DEBT FUND			\$0.00
30	WATER CAPITAL			\$0.00
35	LIQUID FUELS	\$297.46	\$ 14,211.84	\$14,509.30
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$399,328.50</b>	<b>\$241,376.78</b>	<b>\$640,705.28</b>
<b>VOID CHECKS</b>				<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 399,328.50</b>	<b>\$ 241,376.78</b>	<b>\$640,705.28</b>

2. Plans are being prepared by the engineer for advertisement for the resurfacing of the Cavalier Parking Lot.
3. The 2019 street paving bid documents are being prepared and residents will be notified.
- Glen Mawr Drive (Forest to Belmont)
  - Cove Road
  - Poplar Street (Ridge Avenue to Lindenwold Avenue)
  - Half of North Spring Garden (Race to Belmont)
  - North Spring Garden (Race and Butler)
  - Race Street (North Spring Garden and North Main Street)
  - Ridge Avenue (Poplar to Butler)
- Upon approval of the list all property owners abutting the streets will receive notices to replace any damaged curbs and/or sidewalks.

4. The Borough Engineer was preparing a 2019 Automated Red Light Enforcement (ARLE) Grant application. We have received notice that Upper Dublin has approved a resolution authorizing the submission of the TE-160 Traffic Signal Application to PADOT for a new signal at the Lindenwold/Bethlehem intersection. As part of the approval of the Mattison Estate land development. The Borough will send a letter of support for the project.

**The following business will be discussed.**

1. The Borough Engineer's report was received.
2. The Borough Pension Plan update will be provided by Scott Repke this evening.
3. The Committee will look into the feasibility of creating a Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB) or Historical Commission.
4. 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 June 4, 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. Absent: Mr. Pasceri.

### **The Committee will consider the following recommendation.**

1. Authorization is requested to apply for a grant for EV charging stations to be installed at 4 locations in Ambler. The proposed locations are Borough Hall, SEPTA Lot, Lindenwold- Race Street & Ricciardi Park. Smart Charge will assist with the grant submittal and Borough crews will provide electric to the locations. **(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. The Committee would like to explore a possible Plastics Ordinance in the Borough. They will work with the local businesses and discuss options.
3. Movies in the Park schedule: “Lego Movie – The Second Part” on Friday, June 28th at Pickering Field at dusk. “Star Wars – The Last Jedi” on Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at Ricciardi Park at dusk. A Viewer’s Choice movie to be shown Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Knight Park.
4. Yoga and Mindfulness sessions will be held this summer in the parks as follows: Yoga – July 9, 30 and August 6 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. at Pickering Field; Mindfulness – July 25, August 1 & 8 from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. at Ricciardi Park.
5. The Pops concerts will be held later in July at Alley of the Arts (final performance date to be determined). Wissahickon Summer Pops Concerts are community service orchestral performances involving approximately 50 young musicians enrolled in the Wissahickon School District’s Summer Music Program.

# YOGA IN THE PARK

PICKERING FIELD

## Pickering Field, Ambler Borough

Ambler Borough Parks & Recreation is pleased to offer several free yoga sessions at Pickering Field. The sessions are for adults and will be conducted by certified yoga instructor, and Borough resident, Dan Rauscher. A yoga mat and appropriate attire are required.

**Tuesdays – 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

July 9<sup>th</sup>

July 30<sup>th</sup>

August 6<sup>th</sup>

Please direct any questions to Parks & Recreation Chairperson Sara Hertz at [shertz@borough.ambler.pa.us](mailto:shertz@borough.ambler.pa.us).

In the event of inclement weather, the yoga sessions will take place in the gym at Borough Hall.

# Mindfulness in the Park

Ambler Borough's Parks & Recreation Committee has arranged for Ambler resident Kara Lehman to lead residents in several 'Mindfulness Sessions' to be held in in our parks. These events are for teens & adults and free to all. Sessions last about an hour. Bring your own mat or cushion & wear comfortable clothing.

**Mindfulness events will be held:**

“**Mindfulness means**  
paying attention  
in a particular way;  
On purpose, in  
the present moment,  
and non-judgmentally.”

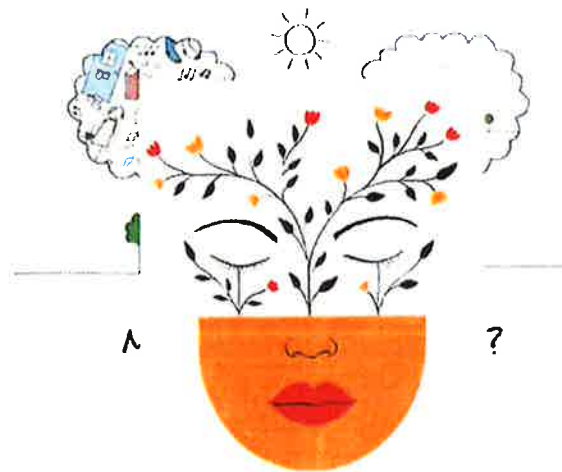
Jon Kabat-Zinn

**Ricciardi Park @ 9:00 a.m.**

Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup>

Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>



Please direct any questions to Parks & Rec Chairperson

Sara Hertz: [shertz@borough.ambler.pa.us](mailto:shertz@borough.ambler.pa.us)

### **Salary & Personnel Committee**

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1. A recommendation will be made for the Water Operator position.

#### **The following business will be discussed.**

## **Recommendations**

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### **Finance and Planning Committee**

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Recommendation for advertisement for the resurfacing of the Cavalier Parking Lot.

Recommendation to approve the 2019 street paving projects.

Recommendation to send a letter of support for Upper Dublin's traffic signal project at Bethlehem and Lindenwold.

### **Parks and Recreation Committee**

Recommendation to apply for a grant for EV charging stations to be installed at 4 locations in Ambler. The proposed locations are Borough Hall, SEPTA Lot, Lindenwold- Race Street & Riccardi Park.

### **Salary & Personnel Committee**

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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.