



BOROUGH OF AMBLER

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

August 20, 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:

July 16, 2019

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

Public Safety Committee

The Committee meeting was held August 6, 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: Ms. Endicott.

The Committee will make no recommendations.

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Police Department report is **attached**.
2. The Fire Department report is **attached**.
3. The Community Ambulance report is **attached**.
4. The Public Works and the Code Enforcement reports were received.
5. The next Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Friday, September 6th (2-7 p.m.) in the Borough Hall Gym. An appointment to give may be made at www.redcrossblood.org (keyword 'ambler') or by calling 1-800-Red Cross. **attached**



Wissahickon Fire Company
Fire Chief Report
Year 2019 (212 days)

Township	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Total	%
Ambler	23	12	15	15	12	25	19	121	38%
Cheltenham						1		1	0%
Conshohocken		1			1			2	1%
Hatfield		1						1	0%
Horsham	1	1	2		1	1	2	8	2%
Lower Gwynedd	17	19	17	20	24	22	17	136	42%
Lower Providence	1							1	0%
Montgomery	2		1	2		1	1	7	2%
North Wales	1							1	0%
Plymouth	2							2	1%
Springfield					1	1		2	1%
Upper Dublin	3	1	4		2	2	2	14	4%
Upper Salford					1			1	0%
Whitemarsh	2	1	1	2	1	2	5	14	4%
Whitpain	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	11	3%
TOTAL	53	38	41	41	44	57	48	322	

Type of Call	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Total	%
Accident Standby	4	1		1	2		1	9	3%
AFA Actual	8	13	11	11	7	8	9	67	21%
AFA False	10	9	11	11	9	21	17	88	27%
Appliance			1	2		1	1	5	2%
Brush	1				3	2	1	7	2%
Building Investigation		3	3	1				7	2%
CO Detector			1	2		2	1	6	2%
Commercial Bldg	4	1	4	1	4	3	4	21	7%
EMS Assist				2	1			3	1%
Fast Team Assist	1	1	1	1		1	1	6	2%
Gas Odor Inside	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	9	3%
Gas Odor Outside	2		1		1	1		5	2%
LDH Strike Team	1							1	0%
Non Comm Bldg	4		4	1	1	3	3	16	5%
Officer Investigation	4			4	2	3	2	15	5%
Ornamental Fireplace					1			1	0%
EMS Assist			1					1	0%
Search						1		1	0%
Smoke in Area	1	1						2	1%
Special Service							2	2	1%
Standby	2	1	1		3	1		8	2%
Traffic Unit assist	1	3		3		3	2	12	4%
Trash					2			2	1%
Vehicle Fire	1					2		3	1%
Vehicle Rescue	3	1				1		5	2%
Water Rescue						1	1	2	1%
Wires	4	3	1		7	1	2	18	6%
TOTAL	53	38	41	41	44	57	48	322	



Wissahickon Fire Company
Fire Chief Report
Year 2019 (212 days)

Day of the week	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Total	%
Monday	7	9	3	5	9	10	7	50	16%
Tuesday	8	3	8	8	6	13	7	53	16%
Wednesday	6	3	1	4	8	3	9	34	11%
Thursday	9	8	6	6	6	9	5	49	15%
Friday	8	5	8	7	7	11	6	52	16%
Saturday	10	6	8	6	2	7	8	47	15%
Sunday	5	4	7	5	6	4	6	37	11%
TOTAL	53	38	41	41	44	57	48	322	

Attendance	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Total	%
Day Calls (M to F 6AM to 6PM)	29	19	21	18	23	24	21	155	
Attendance at Day Calls	394	222	266	145	263	259	217	1,766	46%
Average	13.6	11.7	12.7	8.1	11.4	10.8	10.3	11.4	
Night & Weekend Calls	24	19	20	23	21	33	27	167	
Attendance at N & W Calls	374	227	266	244	238	441	288	2,078	54%
Average	15.6	11.9	13.3	10.6	11.3	13.4	10.7	12.4	
Total Calls	53	38	41	41	44	57	48	322	
Total Attendance	768	449	532	389	501	700	505	3,844	100%
Average	14.5	11.8	13.0	9.5	11.4	12.3	10.5	11.9	



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EMAIL: Info@amblerambulance.org

BUSINESS: (215) 643-6517
FAX: (215) 643-5212

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COMMUNITY AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION, AMBLER
1414 E. BUTLER PIKE
P.O. BOX 98
AMBLER, PENNSYLVANIA 19002

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	69	405
July	65	386
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
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YTD Totals	455	2826

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



**American
Red Cross**

**Without A, B and O,
we can't save anybody.**

**Blood Drive
Borough of Ambler**

**Borough Hall Gym
131 Rosemary Ave
Ambler, PA 19002**

**Friday, September 6, 2019
2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

For questions contact Borough Manager Mary Aversa
maversa@borough.ambler.pa.us

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS
(1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter the keyword: Ambler
to schedule an appointment.



**Come to donate blood or platelets from Sept. 1-30, 2019
and receive a coupon by email for a free haircut at
participating Sport Clips Haircuts locations to help you
look good and feel good.**



Scan to schedule
an appointment.

Not enough people donate blood. Only you can fill the #MissingTypes.

Download the Blood Donor App | 1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org/MissingTypes

Public Utilities Committee

The Committee meeting was held August 6, 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: Ms. Endicott.

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. **Attached** is the ordinance that authorizes creation of the Water Authority. The solicitor will explain the next steps.

Finance and Planning Committee

The Committee meeting was held August 6, 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: Ms. Endicott.

The Committee will consider the following recommendations.

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

#	Fund	JULY 1st Run	JULY 2ND RUN	TOTALS
1	GENERAL	\$57,384.54	\$ 128,413.92	\$185,798.46
2	STREET LGTS		\$7,905.45	\$7,905.45
3	FIRE		\$ 5,528.28	\$5,528.28
4	REFUSE	\$2,908.48	\$32,017.07	\$34,925.55
5	PARKS & REC	\$759.75	\$3,427.32	\$4,187.07
6	WATER	\$47,014.77	\$107,010.82	\$154,025.59
8	SEWER	\$6,690.03	\$137,388.99	\$144,079.02
9	WWTP	\$56,481.12	\$131,432.03	\$187,913.15
35	LIQUID FUELS		\$ 866.01	\$866.01
TOTALS		\$171,238.69	\$553,989.89	\$725,228.58
VOID CHECKS				\$0.00
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 171,238.69	\$ 553,989.89	\$725,228.58

2. A recommendation is requested to adopt the attached Resolution provided for the Regional Street Light Procurement Project Upgrade. A representative will be available at the Council meeting to answer any questions.

The following business will be discussed.

1. The Borough Engineer's report was received.
2. The Borough Pension Plan update will be provided by Joe Duda in September.

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.
5. Plans are being prepared by the engineer for advertisement for the resurfacing of the Cavalier Parking Lot.

RESOLUTION

OF THE BOROUGH OF AMBLER, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

**Authorizing cooperative purchasing and participation
in Phases 3 and 4 of the Regional Streetlight
Procurement Program administered by the Delaware
Valley Regional Planning Commission**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler is located in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler qualifies as a “local public procurement unit” as defined under Chapter 19 of the Commonwealth Procurement Code, 62 Pa C.S. §1901 et seq. (the “Code”); and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (“DVRPC”) qualifies as a “public procurement unit” under the Code, and has established a Regional Streetlight Procurement Program (the “Program”) for the purpose of entering into “cooperative purchasing” agreements with regional municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler, in its capacity as a local public procurement unit, agreed to participate in the Program, as reflected by the adoption of a letter of intent in connection with the Program’s Phase 1, and by the adoption of a resolution authorizing the participation in the Program’s Phase 2; and

WHEREAS, full participation in the Program’s additional Phase 3 (Project Management) and Phase 4 (Post Construction Operations and Maintenance Services) will allow the Borough of Ambler to implement the project (the “Project”) and improve the performance of municipal street lighting; and

WHEREAS, DVRPC entered into a contract with Keystone Lighting Solutions (“KLS”) to provide design services as part of Phase 2 of the Program and at the option of participating municipalities to extend services provided in Phases 3 and 4; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its authority under the Code, The Borough of Ambler entered into contract with KLS for Project Development Phase 2 for professional design services to evaluate, recommend, audit, design and manage the Project with the option to proceed with Phases 3 and 4; and

WHEREAS, KLS has completed the services required in connection with Project Development Phase 2; and

WHEREAS, as part of Project Development Phase 2, KLS presented a Final Project Specification and Proposal (the "Proposal"), and in this Proposal KLS estimated the costs to the Borough of Ambler] associated with KLS' services for Phases 3 and 4; and

WHEREAS, also in the Proposal KLS provided a "Total Project Cost" found in the Project Cashflow, which establishes the total price to the Borough of Ambler associated with this Project; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler wishes to exercise its option to proceed with Phases 3 and 4 under its existing contract with KLS and to secure its professional assistance in connection with the procurement and installation of these improvements; and

WHEREAS, DVRPC has entered into a contract with Armour & Sons Electric, Inc. ("Armour") to provide construction installation services and assigned to Armour DVRPC's contracts for manufacture and distribution of equipment; and

WHEREAS, participating municipalities, including the Borough of Ambler, are able to "piggyback off of" the contract entered into by DVRPC for installation, in accordance with the Code; and

WHEREAS, continued participation in the Program will allow the Borough of Ambler to implement its project (the "Project") and improve the performance of municipal street lighting, and specifically to manage and administer the procurement, installation, and financing of the transition to light-emitting-diode (LED) street lighting and other street light improvements, and the maintenance of those improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler has determined that its interests warrant piggybacking off of DVRPC's contract with Armour, thereby forming a separate and new contract between the Borough of Ambler and Armour in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Ambler of the Borough of Ambler herby authorizes the Borough of Ambler to exercise its option under the existing cooperative purchasing contract with KLS and to proceed to Phase 3 and Phase 4 of the Program for Project Management and Post Construction Operation and Maintenance Services; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough of Ambler of the Ambler] herby authorizes the Borough of Ambler to enter into cooperative purchasing in the form of a contract with Armour & Sons Electric, Inc. for installation of equipment; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough of Ambler of the Borough of Ambler hereby authorizes and directs its officials, employees, agents and representatives to take all such further actions and to execute and deliver all such instruments and other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the Borough of Ambler to carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing resolutions and the transactions contemplated hereby.

07/25/19

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Borough of Ambler has adopted and enacted this Resolution this ___ day of _____, 2019.

For the Borough of Ambler

ATTEST:

By: _____	_____
Name: _____	By: _____
Title: _____	Name: _____
	Title: _____

AGREEMENT FOR INSTALLATION SERVICES
REGIONAL STREETLIGHT PROCUREMENT PROGRAM

THIS AGREEMENT, made this ___ day of _____, 2019, by and between Borough of Ambler with offices at 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler, PA 19002, and Armour & Sons Electric, Inc., with offices at 23 East Cabot Blvd, Langhorne, PA 19047, agree as follows:

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (“DVRPC”) has undertaken the Regional Streetlight Procurement Program, or RSLPP (the “Program”) as a professional service to municipalities that choose to participate, and

WHEREAS, participation in the Program allows regional municipalities to improve the performance of municipal street lighting, and specifically to design, procure, install, and finance the transition to light-emitting-diode (LED) street lighting and other street light improvements, and to maintain those improvements, and

WHEREAS, the Program will provide comprehensive technical design assistance and project management support to participating municipalities, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Program, DVRPC solicited proposals using a request-for-proposal (RFP) in order to identify and select a design services professional (“DSP”), to provide technical design solutions tailored to the needs of each participating municipality, and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFP, Keystone Lighting Solutions (“KLS”) submitted a Proposal, dated October 12, 2018 (the “Proposal”), and

WHEREAS, DVRPC selected KLS to provide technical design solutions for the participating municipalities, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Program, DVRPC solicited proposals using a request-for-proposal (RFP) in order to identify and select installers meeting responsiveness and responsibility requirements so that participating municipalities would be able to secure the installation of LED street lighting and other street light improvements; and

WHEREAS, DVRPC selected Armour & Sons Electric, Inc. (the “Installer”) to provide for the installation of equipment in compliance with the technical design provided by KLS, and

WHEREAS, participating municipalities including the Borough of Ambler, are able to utilize cooperative purchasing contracts entered into by DVRPC for design services, equipment

acquisition, and installation, in accordance with Chapter 19 of the Commonwealth Procurement Code, 62 Pa.C.S. § 1901 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler has agreed to participate in the Program on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth and adopt the contracts created by DVRPC.

NOW THEREFORE, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Borough of Ambler agrees to purchase equipment acquisition and installation pursuant to the contracts with the Installer held by DVRPC , in accordance with Chapter 19 of the Commonwealth Procurement Code, 62 Pa.C.S. § 1901 et seq.
2. The cooperative purchasing shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of those contracts.
3. Attached hereto and made a part of the contract are
 - Attachment A – General Conditions
 - Attachment B – Roadway, Street & Area Lighting Upgrade Project Specifications & Proposal
4. Accordingly, the Borough of Ambler and the Installer, have formed a separate contract, and a direct contractual relationship.

Armour & Sons Electric, Inc.

Signature

Print name

Print title

Print date

[Signatures as per the municipality's requirements to follow]

Borough of Ambler

Attest: _____

By:  _____

Print name: _____

Print name: Mary Averst _____

Print title: _____

Print title: Borough Manager _____

Parks and Recreation Committee

The Committee meeting was held August 6, 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: Ms. Endicott.

The Committee approved the following recommendation.

1. **RAIN GARDEN CONTRACT- RED TAIL**

The EAC has been working with Greg from Red Tail to provide a contract that would allow for the installation of the first 5 rain gardens. The contract was approved. (8-Aye)

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. **attached**
3. Movies in the Park schedule: "The Incredibles 2" will be shown Friday, August 23rd at Knight Park at dusk.
4. Student Chan Jeon made a presentation on his recycling project at the August 6 Committee Meeting.

Ambler Borough Ordinance Banning Single-Use Plastics and Expanded Polystyrene

Introduction

This ordinance would prohibit businesses in the Borough of Ambler from providing plastic carryout bags and single-use plastic straws to their customers. Further, the ordinance would prohibit any person from selling or offering for sale any expanded polystyrene (commonly referred to as "Styrofoam") food service product and prohibit any food service business from selling or providing any food in an expanded polystyrene food service product. The ordinance would be implemented in two phases. The first would be voluntary and the second would be mandated.

Rationale

The regulations are intended to assist the Borough in reducing our carbon footprint by promoting products that will protect the environment, wildlife, and the public health and welfare and safety of our community as a whole. It is another demonstration of the Borough's commitment to reaching our RF100 targets. The process will be phased in with Phase I as a voluntary opt-in program beginning March 1, 2020 and Phase II will be mandatory beginning on January 1, 2021.

Definitions

Business or Store: Includes, but is not limited to pharmacies, supermarkets, farmers markets, grocery stores, farmers markets, convenience stores, clothing stores and food service establishments.

Food Service Establishment: Any establishment serving made-to-order food or beverages for dine-in, takeout, or delivery.

Goods and Products: Things and items that are prepared and made to be sold, including, but not limited to, clothing, groceries, farmers markets, prepared food, foodstuffs, meat, dairy, beverages, merchandise, books, jewelry, alcohol, tobacco products, toys, and any and all other things and items sold at retail by businesses and stores.

Produce Bag or Product Bag: Any bag without handles that is used exclusively to segregate produce, meats, other food items, and merchandise to the point of sale inside a store or to prevent such items from

coming into direct contact with other purchased items, where such contact could damage or contaminate other food or merchandise when placed together in a reusable or recycled bag.

Retail: The sale of goods and products for use and/or consumption.

Reusable Bag: A bag that is designed and manufactured to withstand repeated uses over a period of time, is machine washable or made from a material that can be cleaned and disinfected regularly, is at least 2.25 mil thick if made from plastic, has a minimum lifetime of 75 uses, and is capable of carrying a minimum of 18 pounds.

Single-Use, Plastic Carryout Bag: A bag, sheet or receptacle produced or manufactured from material commonly known as "plastic" or "polyethylene" provided at the check-out stand, cash register, point of sale, or other point of departure for the purpose of transporting goods or products out of the establishment.

The term single-use, plastic carryout bag does not include reusable bags, or garment bags.

Regulation Of Single-Use, Plastic Carryout Bags and Expanded

Polystyrene

The regulation of Single-Use Plastic Carryout Bags and Expanded Polystyrene (Styrofoam) shall be phased in as follows: PHASE I. Voluntary: From March – December, participation shall be voluntary and will provide a pilot period for refining and adapting the program. All data collected will be used to reinforce and assist with the enactment of Phase II of this program (the required participation). PHASE II. Required: Effective, January 2021, No business or store shall provide any single-use, plastic carryout bags, Styrofoam and polystyrene foam container and/or plastic straws to a customer at the check stand, cash register, point of sale, as otherwise provided in this Chapter. PERMITTED All stores shall provide or make available to a customer recyclable (preferred, not required) paper carryout bags or reusable bags.

Exceptions

Plastic straws may be provided to customers upon request (*for ever or for a given time period?*)

Violations And Penalties

A person or business that violates any provision of the bill would be subject to a penalty of up to \$250 for each offense, and \$100 for each following day during which the violation continues would constitute a separate offense.

Salary & Personnel Committee

The Committee meeting was held August 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Nancy Deininger (Chair), Sal Pasceri, Claudio Zaccone and Nellie Di Pietro. Absent: Ms. Endicott.

The Committee will make no recommendations.

The following business will be discussed.

1. A ceremony was held to swear in Officer Brian Ly.

Recommendations

Public Safety Committee

Public Utilities Committee

Finance and Planning Committee

Recommendation that the July 2019 invoices be paid in the amount of \$ 725,228.58.

A recommendation is requested to adopt the attached Resolution provided for the Regional Street Light Procurement Project Upgrade

Parks and Recreation Committee

Salary & Personnel Committee

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.