



# **BOROUGH OF AMBLER**

## **COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**February 18, 2020**

**7:00 p.m.**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Jeanne Sorg**  
**Census Presentation: Mayor Sorg**

**ROLL CALL: Ms. Mary Aversa**

**Minutes for Consideration:**  
January 21, 2020 Council Meeting

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**  
**PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**PUBLIC UTILITIES**  
**FINANCE & PLANNING**  
**PARKS & RECREATION**  
**SALARY & PERSONNEL**

## Public Safety Committee

The Committee meeting was held February 4, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee members: Erin McKenna Endicott – Chair, Glynnis Siskind, Sara Hertz, Nancy Deininger

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

1. The Police Department is requesting authorization to purchase a new Dodge Durango at a cost of \$34,106. The item was budgeted, and the specifications are **attached**.

### **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.



**Wissahickon Fire Company  
Fire Chief Report  
Year 2020 (31 days)**

Township	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Total	%
Ambler	9												9	25%
Conshohocken	1												1	3%
Horsham													0	0%
Lower Gwynedd	20												20	56%
Montgomery													0	0%
North Wales													0	0%
Plymouth	1												1	3%
Upper Dublin													0	0%
Whitemarsh	3												3	8%
Whitpain	2												2	6%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	

Type of Call	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Total	%
Accident Standby	1												1	3%
AFA Actual	9												9	25%
AFA False	6												6	17%
Appliance													0	0%
Brush	1												1	3%
Building Investigation	2												2	6%
CO Detector	2												2	6%
Commercial Bldg	1												1	3%
Fast Team Assist	2												2	6%
Gas Odor Inside	2												2	6%
Gas Odor Outside													0	0%
Non Comm Bldg	1												1	3%
Officer Investigation	2												2	6%
Ornamental Fireplace													0	0%
Search	1												1	3%
Standby	1												1	3%
Traffic Unit assist													0	0%
Trash													0	0%
Vehicle Fire													0	0%
Vehicle Leaking Fuel	1												1	3%
Vehicle Rescue	3												3	8%
Wires	1												1	3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	



**Wissahickon Fire Company  
Fire Chief Report  
Year 2020 (31 days)**

Day of the week	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Total	%
Monday	4												4	11%
Tuesday	6												6	17%
Wednesday	4												4	11%
Thursday	5												5	14%
Friday	9												9	25%
Saturday	4												4	11%
Sunday	4												4	11%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	

Attendance	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Total	%
Day Calls (M to F 6AM to 6PM)	17												17	
Attendance at Day Calls	197												197	39%
Average	11.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.6	
Night & Weekend Calls	19												19	
Attendance at N & W Calls	304												304	61%
Average	16.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.0	
Total Calls	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	
Total Attendance	501	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	501	100%
Average	13.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.9	

Count of Alarm								
Hour of Day	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Total
0						1		1
1								0
2	1							1
3								0
4								0
5							1	1
6			1					1
7								0
8								0
9			1	1	1			3
10								0
11					1	1	1	3
12	1	1					1	3
13			1					1
14		1						1
15			2			2	1	5
16			1	1				2
17	1					2		3
18								0
19		2		1	1			4
20	1							1
21				1	1	2		4
22					1	1		2
23								0
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>36</b>



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### Ambler Borough Statistics – 2020

<u>Month</u>	<u>Calls in Borough</u>	<u>Total Calls for CAAA</u>
January	55	404
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
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YTD Totals	55	404

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## **Public Utilities Committee**

The Committee meeting was held February 4, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Glynnis Siskind – Chair, Brooke Marshall, Haley Welch, Jen Henderson

**The Committee will make no recommendations.**

**The following business will be discussed.**

1. The WWTP Engineer's report was received.
2. Authorization was granted to advertise public bids for a general contractor to remove the Existing digester covers and install the aeration piping. The bid will be prepared when the electrical specifications are received.
3. Water Authority Board met January 23, 2020 and held an Organizational Meeting. Lou Orehek is Chairperson and Peter Amento is Vice Chairperson. Solicitor informed the Board the Authority's Certificate of Incorporation had been filed with the PA Department of State. They adopted Resolution 2020-01 Authorizing the Execution of a Lease of the Ambler Borough Water System to the Water Authority. After completion of the evening's business the Solicitor stated he does not anticipate the Authority involving with further matters while the status is being reviewed by the PA PUC.

## Finance and Planning Committee

The Committee meeting was held February 4, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members Nellie Di Pietro – Chair, Erin McKenna Endicott, Haley Welch, Brooke Marshall,

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

2. That the January 2020 invoices be paid as follows:

#	Fund	JAN 1st Run	JAN 2nd Run	TOTALS
1	GENERAL	\$180,362.97	\$ 74,640.26	\$255,003.23
2	STREET LGTS	\$6.29	\$4,744.23	\$4,750.52
3	FIRE			\$0.00
4	REFUSE	\$31,120.91	\$8,894.06	\$40,014.97
5	PARKS & REC	\$2,130.00	\$2,017.57	\$4,147.57
6	WATER	\$21,666.78	\$101,185.85	\$122,852.63
8	SEWER	\$66,654.33	\$9,965.54	\$76,619.87
9	WWTP	\$58,392.47	\$68,905.91	\$127,298.38
35	LIQUID FUELS			\$0.00
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$360,333.75</b>	<b>\$270,353.42</b>	<b>\$630,687.17</b>
<b>VOID CHECKS</b>				<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 360,333.75</b>	<b>\$ 270,353.42</b>	<b>\$630,687.17</b>

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

1. The Borough Engineer's report was received.
2. A Town Hall meeting has been scheduled for March 11, at 7:00PM
3. The bid for the Grass Cutting / Lawn & Ground Maintenance at Ambler Borough Facilities contract has been advertised. Bid opening is scheduled for February 26, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.
4. The charging stations were installed on Lindenwold & Race and on Poplar, they are available for use by the public. Chief Hoffman is requesting direction on the amount of a citation if non-charging cars are found using the spaces.

## **Park and Recreation Committee**

The Committee meeting was held February 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members: Sara Hertz – Chair, Nancy Deininger, Erin McKenna Endicott, Nellie DiPietro

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

1. A presentation was made about the proposal by Artwork's Collective to design and install a Statue of Mary Ambler at the soon to be developed Park. A recommendation is requested.

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

1. The Ambler Environmental Advisory Council has contractors ready to install Rain Gardens, Permeable Pavement for walkways, driveways and patios, and install downspout planters and rain barrels at residential and commercial properties throughout Ambler. An extended Neighbor-to-Neighbors effort in 2020 is seeking to identify new Champions on each street to host gatherings at their home that includes a storm water presentation. When these presentations are scheduled and other information about the subsidized storm water features is available at [www.growingamblergreener.com](http://www.growingamblergreener.com).
2. We received notification about a '2020 Frostbite 5 Miler' to be held on February 22, 2020. A letter was sent to neighbors that are on the course so that they are aware of the race.
3. The Planning Commission is preparing a conceptual plan incorporating identified community needs and improvements for each park in the Borough to be used as part of a larger Master Park Plan.
4. A presentation of the final plans for Ambler Square construction by Gilmore Associates will be made.
5. The following is the line-up of family movies for the 2020 Movies in the Gym program.
  - Toy Story 4 (May 8)
  - Aladdin (June 5)
  - Elf (July 24)
  - Playing with Fire (Sept. 18)
  - The Addams Family (Oct.23)
  - The Polar Express (December 11)



## Salary & Personnel Committee

The Committee meeting was held February 4, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue. Committee Members Nancy Deininger – Chair, Glynnis Siskind, Nellie Di Pietro, Jen Henderson

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

1. A recommendation is requested to approve the Police employee contract.

### **Approved at Committee Meeting**

1. An executive session was held and a separation agreement for an employee was approved. (9-Aye)

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

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **PUBLIC UTILITIES**

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

1. The Police Department is requesting authorization to purchase a new Dodge Durango at a cost of \$34,106.

### **FINANCE & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

1. Consider that the January 2020 invoices in the amount of **\$630,687.17** be paid.

### **PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

1. A recommendation is requested from Artwork's Collective to design and install a Statue of Mary Ambler at the Ambler Pocket Park.

### **SALARY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

1. A recommendation is requested to approve the Police employee contract.