AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2018, MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania. Chairman Robert Lagreca called the meeting to order and presided.

ROLL CALL: Present: Carissa Hazelton, Elizabeth Iovine, Carol Ann DiPietro, Salvatore Boccuti, William Mulroy, Robert Lagreca and Al Comly, Jr. Also in attendance: Glenn Kucher, Ambler Borough Code Enforcement Officer, and Lauren Van Dyk, Montgomery County Planner.

Joshua Kanaplue, Peter Amento and James Dougherty, Borough Engineer, were excused from attending.

Elizabeth Iovine made motion to nominate Robert Lagreca for Chairman, Al Comly for Vice Chairman, and Carol Ann DiPietro for Secretary. No other nominations were made, a vote was taken and it carried unanimously.

Salvatore Boccuti made a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting of November 28, 2017, with a correction. William Mulroy seconded the motion. The December, 2017, meeting was cancelled

OLD BUSINESS:

Input is requested on proposed language regarding prohibiting the spread of bamboo in the Borough. Members of the public, Council and the EAC made comments on prohibiting the planting of bamboo and/or taking steps to manage existing bamboo in the Borough. The matter will be sent back to Council for additional direction.

Input is requested on updating the Borough Open Space Plan to incorporate the newly-acquired parcels since the last update in 2006. The County Planner presented a memo setting forth a draft Section on the Open Space Inventory. Existing parks and recreation areas were discussed. The County Planner along with the Code Enforcement Officer will collaborate with the Chairman of the Parks and Rec Committee on realistic goals and future plans.

NEW BUSINESS:

No New Business was discussed.

CONTINUED BUSINESS FOR THE FEBRUARY, 2018, MEETING

Additional direction from Council on proposed language regarding prohibiting the spread of bamboo in the Borough.

Update to Open Space Plan.

Several residents were in attendance and provided comments. Several members of the EAC were in attendance and provided comments. Four Council members were in attendance and provided comments.

Al Comly made a motion at 8:30 seconded by Carol DiPietro to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted, Carol Ann DiPietro Recording Secretary, AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION