AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 2021, MEETING

The Regular August Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers at 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania, and Chairman Robert Lagreca presided.

ROLL CALL: Present: Anthony Giannetti, David Kralle, Elizabeth Iovine, Carol Ann DiPietro, Salvatore Boccuti and Robert Lagreca. Also in attendance: Glenn Kucher. Borough Code Enforcement Officer, and Michael Lowrey, Montgomery County Planner

Peter Amento, Al Comly and Carissa Hazelton were excused. James Dougherty, Borough Engineer, was also excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Salvatore Boccuti made a motion to approve the minutes of July 27, 2021, seconded by Elizabeth Iovine. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Review the guidelines and recommend changes to the Borough's existing wireless ordinance and fee schedule to comply with the FCC Order Dated September 26, 2018, as well as develop design requirements for wireless facilities in the rights-of-way to prevent aesthetically obtrusive facilities. FCC requires that each municipality have small wireless towers (boosters) for wireless communications. A motion was made by Sal Boccuti and seconded by Carol DiPietro and the vote taken was unanimous 6 ayes of the 6 members present to move the proposed ordinance change on to Council with the recommendation that it be approved. A letter will be prepared to Council.

Input is requested to create 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. The County Planner is developing a digital app along with an actual plan outlining each park, its location, its amenities and proposed uses, active and/or passive. A survey has been developed, and the members of the Planning Commission have provided input. The survey will go live within the next week or so. The results will be discussed at a future meeting. The condition of Ambler Square was also discussed. The contractor is currently working to finish.

CONTINUED BUSINESS FOR SEPTEMBER AND FUTURE MEETINGS

Further work on a conceptual plan incorporating identified community needs and improvements for each park in the Borough and proposed App for information regarding our parks for users of the park to download to assist them in using our parks to their full potential. Review resident comments and potential updates for each park.

Salvatore Boccuti made a motion at 8:05 seconded by Elizabeth Iovine to adjourn.

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