

AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 24, 2023, MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers at 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania. Newly Elected Vice-Chairman Carol DiPietro presided.

ROLL CALL: Present: John Oswald, Anthony Giannetti, Carol Ann DiPietro, Salvatore Boccuti, Peter Amento, David Kralle, Carissa Hazelton and Al Comly. Also in attendance were Chloe M. Mohr, Principal Planner with the Montgomery County Planning Commission, James Dougherty, Borough Engineer and Glenn Kucher, Borough Code Enforcement Officer.

REORGANIZATION: Peter Amento made a motion to nominate Al Comly for Chair, Carol DiPietro for Vice-Chair and Secretary. The vote taken resulted in a tie. Peter Amento then made a motion to nominate Carol DiPietro for Vice-Chair and Secretary. The vote taken carried. David Kralle made a motion to nominate John Oswald for Chair. The vote taken resulted in a tie. We will hold another reorganization meeting in November. For this meeting the newly-elected Vice-Chair will preside.

Chloe Mohr shared that Caleb Emblem will not be assigned as our County Planner. In November Timothy Konetchy who has been with the MCPC for several years will attend our meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Salvatore Boccuti made a motion to approve the minutes of September 26, 2023, seconded by David Kralle. The vote taken was unanimous to approve the minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Borough Engineer has requested that the Borough Planning Commission explore possibly amending the Zoning Ordinance lighting criteria to the current IESNA (Illuminating Engineering Society of North America) standards. The current Zoning Ordinance language reflects the 2008 IESNA standards. The Borough Engineer reviewed the current lighting criteria to begin discussion. A revised draft of a new ordinance will be presented at the November meeting. This lighting criteria will only affect outside lighting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Input is requested on updating the 2013 Borough Comprehensive Plan. The Pennsylvania Municipalities Code suggests that each municipality review and/or update its Comprehensive Plan every ten years. It is expected that this project will take several months to complete. Further discussion on specific sections of the Plan will begin at the November meeting. The County Planner will take an active role in guiding us through this process.

Salvatore Boccuti made a motion at 7:50, seconded by John Oswald to adjourn.

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