

MINUTES

AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION

December 9, 2008

The November/December Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 East Butler Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania. Chairman Mr. Ware Presided.

Roll Call: Present: Mr. Ware, Mr. LaGreca, Mr. Benigno, Ms. Andrews, Mr. Mulroy, Mr. Amento and Mr. Boccuti. Mr. Ennis, County Planner and Mr. Dougherty, Borough Engineer, also were in attendance.

Ms. Andrews moved that the October 28, 2008 Minutes be approved with two corrections: Page 2, Item 1, 5th sentence to read "1989" and not "19890"; Last sentence to read "state" and not "stated." Motion seconded, carried

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Myers advised that Precision Time Systems of 289 N. Main Street has a variance hearing for parking scheduled on December 18, 2008.
2. The Commission received the draft Construction Dumpster Ordinance. Mr. LaGreca moved the Ordinance be sent to Council for action and review by the Montgomery County Planning Commission. Seconded, carried.
3. The Commission reviewed the draft Ordinance for Parks & Recreation Rules. Questions were posed about items H, N and U. It was felt that wording in H and N might be too general and that wording in U which listed all current Borough parks might be too restrictive if a park name is changed or additional parks are added to the Borough park system, requiring an amendment to the Ordinance in such a case. The Commission recommends the balance of the Ordinance to Council.

IN NEW BUSINESS:

1. The Commission was shown a presentation to review the Parking Action Plan. Several questions were posed and the charts and maps were explained. The Commission agreed that Council must add parking meters on several streets, that signage on reserved parking needs to be changed and, that stickers inside the meters need to be changed. A meeting with the business community on shared parking in their lots with signage should be held with discussion on a more reasonable parking rate for reserve parking reflecting the true value of these parking spaces. The Commission will continue to review the Plan in January.

2. The Commission set the following meeting dates for the year 2009: January through October on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. and the November/December meeting to be held on the second Tuesday (December 8, 2009) at 7:30 p.m.

Ms. Andrews moved the Meeting be adjourned. Seconded. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

George W. Benigno
Secretary
Ambler Borough Planning Commission