

MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2025

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – the Meeting of Langhorne Manor Borough Council was called to order in the Langhorne Manor Borough Hall, 618 Hulmeville Avenue, Langhorne, Pennsylvania on April 8, 2025, at 7:00 P.M. Daylight Savings Time by Nick Pizzola.

PERSONS PRESENT – Nick Pizzola – President, Cheryl Oessenich – Vice-President, Councilpersons: James Niwinski, Devin Keating, Phil Gillies, Sam Jennings and Bob McBeth, Mayor Robert Byrne, Police Chief John Kenney, Solicitor: Thomas J. Profy, IV., Borough Manager: Peter Gray, Secretary-Treasurer: Bonnie McGoldrick.

- 2. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by Mayor Robert Byrne

- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Council President noted a change on page 6, that a comment referencing “they” should specify “PennDOT”. There were no other questions, concerns or corrections to the minutes for March 11, 2025.

Council President called for a motion to approve the minutes for March 11, 2025. Mr. Jennings made the motion as called for Ms. Oessenich Seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Council President noted a change on page 2, the word “Tar” should be corrected to “Mastic”. There were no other questions, concerns or corrections to the minutes for March 25, 2025.

Council President called for a motion to approve the minutes for March 25, 2025. Mr. Jennings made the motion as called for. Ms. Oessenich Seconded. Mr. Niwinski abstained. There were no objections. The motion carried.

- 4. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS & VISITORS** –

Teresa Weiser, 206 W. Prospect Avenue, reported that she attended the Middletown Comprehensive Parks, Recreation, Open States, Greenways and Trails

Plan meeting. They were talking about parks in the area and said they will reach out to Langhorne Manor Borough for input. Ms. Weiser asked if anyone on the council had been contacted. None of the council members were contacted. With council presidents request, Ms. Weiser agreed to represent Langhorne Manor Borough and to continue to report to the council.

Greg Rossi, 609 Hulmeville Avenue, advised council of continuous noise ordinance violations with a neighbor, including verbal abuse and potentially dangerous activities. Mr. Rossi feels the current ordinance is ineffective and unenforceable. Local police are unavailable, and state police refuse to come.

Police Chief Kenney advised that he is aware of the situation and needs additional time to address the problem. The State Police will not respond unless there is an in-process crime although they are paid to patrol the Boroughs. This is a different but related issue that needs to be addressed.

Council President acknowledges the concerns and has committed to addressing the problem but requires time to consider the circumstances.

POLICE REPORT – Chief Kenney reported 186.5 total hours for March.

Accident Non-Reportable – 1	Suspicious Vehicle – 1
Accident Reportable – 1	Thefts – 1
Assist Other Police – 4	All Other Complaints – 1
Medical Emergency – 4	
Car Washed –	Total Citations – 3
Total Gasoline –462 gal.	Traffic Stops - 3
Total Mileage – 338	Criminal Arrest -
Traffic Citations – 3	Total Complaints – 13

Chief Kenney reported one theft from a vehicle and reminded residents to lock their cars and report suspicious activity.

Council President asked the Chief to report on the status of the speed sign on Hulmeville Avenue. Several unsuccessful attempts to repair it have been made, the chief will have the sign removed and replaced.

5. INSPECTOR'S REPORT – no report.

Council President asked for an update on a new construction application. Ms. McGoldrick advised; the application was forwarded to Carroll Engineering, she was aware of communication between Carroll Engineering and the builders, but the Borough had not received any official update on the status of that application or of the communication between the two parties.

6. STATUS OF PEDDLING AND SOLICITING ORDINANCE WITH PROPOSED CHANGES. Council President asked Mr. Profy for the status of the proposed ordinance changes. Mr. Profy and the Borough Manager expect the ordinance will be ready to approve in May.

7. INCREASE CONTRIBUTION TO AMERICAN LEGION, \$500 HAS BEEN THAT AMOUNT SINCE 2009 –

Mayor Byrne asked the Council President to consider an increase to the annual donation to the American Legion. Council President noted that the \$500 donation to the American Legion has not been increased in over 10 years and asked the council to consider an increase. There was a discussion. The council agreed to increase the donation to \$750.

Council President called for a motion to approve a \$750 donation to Jesse Soby American Legion. Mr. Gillies made the motion as called. Mr. Niwinski seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

The Borough Secretary will have a new check prepared.

8. AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE CELLPHONE VIALYTICS SOFTWARE COST \$800/YR.

Council President asked the council to consider purchasing a cellphone from Vialytics for \$800 a year which would include data service and free replacement if lost or damaged for any reason. There was a discussion of alternatives. Police currently use their personal phones while on duty, but it is not a recommended practice. Mr. Jennings agreed to research options and report back.

9. UPDATE ON WAIVER FROM STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR SMALL BOROUGHES.

The representative from RVE was not available for comments tonight. The agenda item will be tabled to a later date.

10. REPORTS

- a. **Jim Niwinski** – The claim for damages on Hill Avenue has been covered by our insurance.

Mr. Niwinski is expecting a formal proposal for lawn services from Spencer's.

Mr. McBeth and the Borough Secretary are working on the liability insurance renewal for this year.

- b. **Cheryl Oessenich**- advised that the Langhorne Manor Borough Clean up committee is looking for volunteers for the Saturday cleanup from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon. The police have safety signs for their use. Interested residents can contact Dawn Seader at 267-688-2131. It has been advertised on Facebook and the Langhorne Manor Borough website.

Bulk trash is scheduled for Thursday May 15th which is the regular trash day after the spring yard sale. In addition, any time a resident has a bulk item to dispose of, they can call Whitetail and schedule a pickup on a regular trash collection day. A phone call is required to alert Whitetail and to confirm how the resident should prepare the item. Some things need to be properly prepared (i.e. mattresses must be wrapped in plastic).

- c. **Nick Pizzola** - The road repairs have begun, they were not completed because of the weather.

PennDOT is holding an RC3 meeting on Wednesday at 1:00 for council members only. The anticipated construction is to begin 4 years from now.

The ARPA grant paperwork for \$150,000 has been submitted.

- d. **Bob McBeth** – no report

- e. **Sam Jennings** – The Arbor Day proclamation had to be submitted for 2024, the mayor signed the amended proclamation, and everything will be submitted tomorrow.

Mr. Jennings will not be attending the next meeting.

- f. **Phil Gillies** – Will be meeting with Brian Dayton on the 24th to finalize the liquid fuels report paperwork.
- g. **Devin Keating** – Is awaiting a response from RVE on update cost estimates for outstanding projects required to meet our 5-year Stormwater Management Plan.

11. MAYORS REPORT – No Report

12. BOROUGH MANAGER’S REPORT– Continues to work with the County Planning Commission.

The Keystone Collections representative will be available May 13th to attend a council meeting.

13. SOLICITORS REPORT – no report

14. CORRESPONDENCE – no report

15. APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT – Council President asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the General Unpaid Bills Report for April. Ms. Keating reminded the council that the check for the donation to the American Legion should be pulled and reissued.

Council President called for a motion to approve the General Unpaid bills for April. Mr. Gillies made the motion as called for. Mr. Niwinski seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Council President asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the Sewer Unpaid Bills Report for April.

Council President asked for a motion to approve the Sewer Unpaid bills for April. Mr. Jennings made the motion as called for. Mr. Niwinski seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Council President asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the Highway Aid Unpaid Bills Report for April.

Council President asked for a motion to approve the Highway Aid Unpaid bills for April. Mr. Gillies made the motion as called for. Ms. Oessenich seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

16. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT - Council President asked if there were any questions or concerns about the Treasurers Reports for March 2025.

Council President asked for a motion to approve the General fund Report for March. Mr. Niwinski made the motion. Mr. Gillies seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Council President asked for a motion to approve the Sewer fund Report for March. Mr. Niwinski made the motion. Mr. Gillies seconded. There were no objections. The motion Carried.

Council President asked for a motion to approve the Highway Aid Fund Report for March. Mr. Gillies made the motion. Mr. Niwinski seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

17. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND VISITORS –

Dan Castro, 403 Station Avenue asked council to clarify that the cost of the Vialytics cell phone included the data plan.

Mary DeSandro, 609 Hulmeville Avenue asked why the road work on Route 1 was taking so long. Mr. Pizzola explained the process of planning for major road work.

18. ADJOURNMENT - Council President called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Niwinski made the motion as called for. Mr. McBeth seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

19.NEXT MEETING APRIL 22, 2025

Respectfully Submitted

Bonnie McGoldrick

Secretary/Treasurer