

MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14, 2023

- 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 February 14, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time by Dawn Seader, President.

PERSONS PRESENT – Dawn Seader – President, Nicholas Pizzola – Vice-President, Councilpersons: James Niwinski, Alicia Gasparovic, Cheryl Oessenich, Grace Judge and Bob McBeth, Solicitor - Thomas J. Profy, IV. Police Chief John Kenney.

PERSONS ABSENT – Mayor Robert Byrne, Jay Ferraro – Borough Manager.

- 2. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by Jim Niwinski.
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The Council President stated that the minutes of January 10, 2023, and January 24, 2023 would be deferred to the next meeting.
- 4. RESIDENT COMMENT** – There were no resident comments.
- 5. POLICE REPORT** – Chief Kenney reported 251 total hours for January.

Abandon Vehicles – 1
Accident Non-Reportable – 1
Alarms – 1
Assist Other Police – 6
Medical Emergency – 3
Parking Complaints – 2
Thefts – 1
Total Complaints – 15
Traffic Citations & Traffic Stops – 3
Total Gasoline – 125.5 gal.
Total Mileage – 562

Chief Kenney reported the Radar Sign on Hulmeville Avenue has been fixed and will be reinstalled. Other Radar Signs throughout the Manor include Station, West Highland & Gillam Avenues. There is a plan to relocate them.

6. **APPROVAL TO PURCHASE POLICE VEHICLE** - Ms. Seader stated that the application for a grant, to purchase two police cars, was denied but we have the means to purchase one car. Chief Kenney has a quote for a 2023, fully outfitted police cruiser for \$57,195.00, there were no 2022 leftovers available. Mr. Profy will look into the requirements for a trade in.

Council President asked for a motion to approve the purchase of a new police car. Mr. Niwinski made the motion as called for. Ms. Judge seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

7. **INTERVIEWS FOR SHADE TREE COMMISSION** - Samuel Jennings and Susan Pizzola were present to interview for the openings on the Shade Tree Commission. Ms. Seader read the list of responsibilities for the Shade Tree Commission and asked the applicants, in turn, to explain their interest in the positions.

Council President asked for a motion to approve Samuel Jennings. Mr. Niwinski made the motion as called for. Ms. Gasparovic seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Council President asked for a motion to approve Susan Pizzola. Mr. McBeth made the motion as called for. Ms. Gasparovic seconded. Mr. Pizzola abstained. there were no objections. The motion carried.

8. **INTERVIEWS FOR PLANNING COMMISSION** – There were no applicants for the Planning Commission vacancy.

9. **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR GRUPP SUBDIVISION** – Ms. Seader explained that the DEP has not approved the paperwork on the Grupp Subdivision yet, therefore we are not able to approve the resolution at this time. This is the last

thing Trey Grupp has to do before building. All the information has been sent to the DEP. As soon as it is approved we need to approve the resolution.

10. INSPECTOR'S REPORT –

Permits Issued - 4 permits

Inspections - 12 passed/2 failed

11. REPORTS –

- a. **Bob McBeth** -The Zoning Ordinance Review Working Group will reconvene in March. The group is in the process of scheduling a series of work sessions with the council.
- b. **Grace Judge** – The Finance Committee is in the process of working with Ellyn to streamline the QuickBooks program. There will be a meeting with Ellyn on Thursday at Langhorne Bookkeeping and invited Ms. McGoldrick to join that meeting.
The Fence Ordinance Work group has not had an opportunity to meet but hope to before the next work session and then have something to present to Council at the March meeting.
- c. **Dawn Seader** – Reminded Council that all work needs to be uploaded in teams. Ms. Seader also reminded council to upload their reports.
- d. **Cheryl Oessenich** – Commented that the minutes wrongly stated that the trash collection was changing to Thursday.
- e. **Alicia Gasparovic** – Reported that the Stormwater Committee submitted a Grant application for \$323,000 for the Pine Street Swale. Ms. Gasparovic was advised verbally that we will were approved for \$185,000 and asked if we would accept the lesser amount. Council agreed to accept the grant subject to the terms and conditions. \$235,000 was also applied for, from the H2O Grant and we won't hear the results of that application until spring. If we get that funding, it will make up the difference.
- f. **Jim Niwinski** – no report

- g. Nick Pizzola** – no report. Ms. Gasparovic advised Mr. Pizzola that a tree is partly blocking the access road by Hill Avenue and, at Central Avenue, the Dead End sign is down. Mr. Pizzola acknowledged that a sidewalk has been removed because it was in bad condition and since it does not connect to another sidewalk it does not need to be replaced.

12. MAYOR’S REPORT – No report.

13. BOROUGH MANAGER’S REPORT – Ms. Seader read the Borough Managers report. Replacement of the Comly Avenue sign will be delayed. General Asphalt has responded to road failures and that conversation is ongoing. Mr. Pizzola was supposed to connect Mr. Ferraro with Jason, that has not happened. An appointment was made to inspect 306 Comly Ave. The owner was not there to comply. Mr. Profy will address this in his report.

14. SOLICITOR’S REPORT – With regard to the property at 306 Comly Avenue, the property owner has not complied. A motion for a hearing has been filed and we are awaiting a hearing date.

15. CORRESPONDENCE – No Correspondence.

16. APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT – The Council President stated that all Council members received a copy of the General Fund Bills for payment and asked for questions and concerns. Council President asked for a motion to approve the General Fund unpaid bills for February. Ms. Judge made the motion as called for. Mr. Niwinski seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Council President asked if there were any questions regarding the February Sewer Bills. Council President asked for a motion to approve the February Sewer Bills for payment. Mr. Niwinski made the motion as called for. Mr. McBeth seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

17. APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT – The Council President asked if there were any questions or concerns for the General Fund Report for December. The Council President called for a motion to approve the General Fund Report for December. Mr. Pizzola made the motion as called for. Ms. Gasparovic seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

The Council President asked if there were any questions about the January General Fund report. The Council President called for a motion to approve the General Fund Report for January. Ms. Judge made the motion as called for. Mr. Pizzola seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

The Council President asked if there were any questions or concerns for the January Sewer Fund Report. The Council President called for a motion to approve the Sewer Fund Report. Ms. Judge made the motion as called for. Mr. Niwinski seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

The Council President asked if there were any questions or concerns for the January Highway Aid Report. The Council President called for a motion to approve the Highway Aid Report. Mr. Niwinski made the motion as called for. Ms. Gasparovic seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

18. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND VISITORS – Bob Grupp, 305 Hill Avenue asked questions about the sidewalk ordinance and stated that there should be more clarity/uniformity in the sidewalk ordinance.

19. SECOND MEETING FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY - February 28, 2023. Council President asked for a motion to dispense with the second meeting for February. Mr. Niwinski made the motion as called for. McBeth seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

20. ADJOURNMENT – the 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.

21. NEXT MEETING – March 14, 2023

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie McGoldrick
Secretary/Treasurer