

MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF MAY 28, 2024

- 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 May 28, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. Daylight Savings Time by Nick Pizzola.

PERSONS PRESENT – Nick Pizzola – President, Cheryl Oessenich – Vice-President, Councilpersons: Alicia Gasparovic, Jim Niwinski, Sam Jennings and Bob McBeth, Solicitor: Thomas J. Profy, IV., Borough Manager: Peter Gray, Secretary-Treasurer: Bonnie McGoldrick.

PERSONS ABSENT – Police Chief John Kenney, Mayor Robert Byrne and Council Person, Grace Judge.

- 2. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by Cheryl Oessenich

- 3. RESIDENT COMMENTS** – None.

- 4. STATUS OF PINE STREET PROJECT** - Ms. Gasparovic advised that the work had begun on Pine Street.

- 5. BLOCK PARTY REQUEST** -

Council President opened a discussion to address an inquiry from a resident. Mr. Jason Stock, 105 Manor Avenue, addressed the council to explain his interest in holding a Block Party on Manor Avenue. It was determined that Langhorne Manor Borough does not have a policy regarding Block Parties and would not be able to conduct the research and complete one in the time allotted. The council suggested Mr. Stock contact Middletown Township, as the road is partially owned by both townships. If Middletown has a policy on Block Parties, they may be willing to provide the police presence and any other necessary support.

- 6. APPROVAL OF AUDITOR FOR GARAGE AND STORM WATER BCRDA GRANTS** - The Council President advised that Bucks County requires an Audit for the grants we received over the last two years. He presented a quote from Bee Bergvall & Co., who were used by LMB in the past and asked for discussion.

Council President called for a motion to approve Bee Bergvall & Co. to conduct the required audit for the Garage Grant and the Stormwater Grants. Mr. Niwinski made the motion as called for. Ms. Gasparovic seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

- 7. MOTION CONCERNING 104 W. GILLAM AVE ZONING REQUEST** -

Council President stated that an application for zoning relief will be heard on Thursday, May 30, 2024 and introduces Andrew Stoll, council for KTG, the applicant. Mr. Stoll advised the council that the application does not alter the previous ZHB setback approval but, simply adds a carport, which will not be an enclosed structure, over a portion of the driveway.

The council will discuss their position in a work session, following the conclusion of this meeting.

- 8. POLICY REGARDING POSTING VIDEO OF LMB COUNCIL MEETINGS TO WEBSITE OR OTHER SOCIAL MEDIA SITES** -

Council President presented the current position on Council Meeting Videos and asked if there were any questions or concerns. Ms. Gasparovic stated that all surrounding municipalities record and post their meetings on-line, residents have asked for this service and LMB should provide them. Ms. Oessenich disagreed and stated that she was concerned that the material could be captured and used negatively. Council President stated concerns about security, deep fakes, etc. and stated that residents could potentially contact the Borough Office and view the recording there. Mr. Niwinski stated that a minimal number of people attend the meetings now and even fewer watch the meetings in real time.

Council President terminated the discussion and stated that this would be brought up for vote at a later meeting.

9. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND VISITORS - Christine Bach commented that posted meeting videos would be a great benefit for her. She also asked if meeting agendas could be posted on-line sooner, to allow residents more than 24 hours to consider topics and submit requests to speak. Council President stated that a formal request to speak is not required and agendas can be posted 24 hours before a meeting, no earlier.

10. DATE FOR NEXT COUNCIL WORKING SESSION TO REVIEW NEW LAPTOP PROCEDURES. –

Council President asked if all the council members would be available for a work session on Monday at 7:00. Only 4 out of 7 members were available, a new date will be determined.

11. NEXT MEETING – June 11, 2024

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Council President called for a motion to adjourn the meeting and conduct an executive session to discuss the Zoning Issue. Mr. Niwinski made the motion as called for. Mr. Jennings seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

13. MEETING RECONVENED TO VOTE ON THE 104 GILLAM AVE ZONING ISSUE.

The council voted 4-2 to take a neutral stance.

14. MEETING ADJOURNED

Respectfully Submitted

Bonnie McGoldrick

Secretary/Treasurer