

MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF MAY 7, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting of Langhorne Manor Borough was called to order in the Langhorne Manor Borough Hall, 618 Hulmeville Avenue, Langhorne, Pennsylvania, on Tuesday May 7, 2019, at 8:00 P.M. Eastern Time by William McTigue, President.

At this point in the meeting, Mayor Byrne led us in the “Pledge of Allegiance.”

PERSONS PRESENT – Maryann Barnes, Vice President; Jay Ferraro; Sharon Gimpel; William McTigue, President; Nicholas Pizzola; Loretta M. Luff, Secretary/Treasurer; Robert Byrne, Mayor and Michael Meginniss, Attorney.

PERSONS ABSENT – Edward Hanisco; Dawn Seader; Thomas J. Profy III; Solicitor.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to approve the minutes of April 2, 2019 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

3. POLICE REPORT – Mayor Byrne gave the police reports for March and April 2019.

4. INSPECTOR’S REPORT – Mrs. Luff gave the Inspector’s report for April 2019.

5. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND VISITORS – Mr. Yourtee (502 Hulmeville Avenue) during public comment Mr. Yourtee asked what the engineer’s fee for design and oversight of the road project was. He had other questions concerning the implementation and design of the paving project.

Mr. Pizzola stated that he would address his questions in his report.

Mrs. Abbott reported that PennDot had cleaned the drain at the corner of Park and Hulmeville Avenues and left a ditch there. Mr. Pizzola responded that he would put reflector poles at that area.

Dr. Tom DiEnna (310 Fairview Avenue) is requesting a variance for a utility shed. There are three items that need to be addressed, impervious surface, height that would be 10 feet and set back. Dr. DiEnna was told that this would be handled by the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Pizzola that Council would remain neutral. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Ms. Gasparovic stated that she was glad to see that the ADA ramps had been added to the road project.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Mrs. Barnes reported that the Planning Commission had met pertaining to Cairn University’s request for a continuance on their sport field request. They will be meeting on May 30, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Ferraro reported on proposals for the Borough property maintenance. Alpine did not respond. DKC declined. Spencer Landscaping and Lawn Service responded on time with a bid of \$3,620.00, 9 monthly payments of \$402.22, this will include the spring cleanup.

Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to accept Spencer Landscaping and Lawn service bid of \$3,620. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Ferraro stated that he would be meeting with the Building Inspector to discuss the building permit process.

Ms. Gimpel had no report.

Mr. Hanisco was absent.

Mr. McTigue reported that bulk pickup would be Saturday May 26, 2019.

Mr. McTigue reported that he had received a call from John Swenson from Carroll engineering stating that one of the sewer pumps at the corner of Hulmeville and Highland Avenues was not working and the cost to replace the pump will be \$8344. Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to replace the pump at the cost of \$8344. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mrs. Seader was absent. Mrs. Seader sent a report that she is working on the re-cycling report for the County.

Mr. Pizzola stated that the Paving Project Bid had been advertised and bids would be opened at the June 4th council meeting. Due to the detailed nature of the bid, the bid will be reviewed in detail after the meeting and will be awarded at a second meeting in June.

Mr. Pizzola stated he did not have the written estimate with him but he thought the estimated cost for the engineer to design and oversee the project was about \$16,000. That fee is less than 2% of the estimated project cost. If the project generates additional engineering time that fee would increase. This is a significant savings from the normal 5% to 10% of the total project cost that is the usual fee engineering firms charge for this work. He said there was no need to incur the extra expense of paying the project engineer to attend a public meeting to review the Paving Project. The Langhorne Manor Borough (LMB) website (langhornemanor.org) contains a comprehensive description of the work to be done, how it will be financed and how it impacts drainage issues. Residents were well aware the project was underway and could attend Council meetings if they had questions concerning the project.

Mr. Pizzola also stated that Lower Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority and PECO Construction Division were notified that the LMB Paving Project was to be done in the late summer of 2019. They were advised to do their scheduled projects earlier in the summer to avoid paying significantly higher fees for utility cuts done after the roads were repaved.

Mr. Pizzola stated that the drainage problem on Pine Street would be addressed when the roads are being repaired. Mr. Pizzola stated that he will be watching the drainage problem when it rains on Pine Street till that time

7. MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Byrne had no report.

8. SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Mr. Meginniss presented Resolution No. 2019-004. A Resolution of the Council of Langhorne Manor Borough, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing a policy governing the use of Borough property for the placement of signs and scheduling of events.

Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to approve Resolution No. 2019-004 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Ferraro recommended that Insurance requirements be made part of the application for the road project.

9. CORRESPONDENCE – There was no correspondence

10. APPROVAL OF BILLS & TREASURER'S REPORT FOR PAYMENT – Mr. McTigue stated that all Council members have received a copy of the bill list for payment. He asked if there are any questions or discussions. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to pay the April bills as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Ms. Gimpel abstained. Mr. McTigue stated that all Council members have received a copy of the Treasurer's report for February 2019 and asked if anyone has any comments. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to accept the Treasurer's Report for February 2019 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Ms. Gimpel abstained. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to table the March treasurer report. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

11. SECOND MEETING – Mr. McTigue stated that a second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 21, 2019; at the present time there is no business for the agenda. Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to dispense with the second meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

12. ADJOURNMENT – Mr. McTigue entertained a motion to adjourn this meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday June 4, 2019 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff
Secretary/Treasurer
Langhorne Manor Borough