MINUTES LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 26, 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 September 26, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. Daylight Savings Time by Nicholas Pizzola, President.

PERSONS PRESENT – Nicholas Pizzola –President, Councilpersons: Dawn Seader, Alicia Gasparovic, Cheryl Oessenich and Bob McBeth, Solicitor - Thomas J. Profy, IV., Mayor Robert Byrne, Bonnie McGoldrick – Secretary/Treasurer.

PERSONS ABSENT – Councilpersons: James Niwinski and Grace Judge.

- **2. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by Cheryl Oessenich.
- 3. **RESIDENT COMMENT** There were no resident comments.
- 4. **COUNCIL PRESIDENT APPOINTMENT MOTION** Mr. Pizzola made a motion to nominate a council person for Council President. Ms. Gasparovic seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Mr. Pizzola asked if there were any nominations for Council President. Ms. Oessenich nominated Nicholas Pizzola for Council President. There were no other nominations. The council discussed the nomination. Mr. Pizzola called for a vote. There were five members of the council present for the vote. Mr. Pizzola abstained, Ms. Oessenich, Mr. McBeth, Ms. Seader and Ms. Gasparovic voted in favor of Mr. Pizzola's nomination. There were no objections.

5. **COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT APPOINTMENT MOTION** - Mr. Pizzola asked if there were any nominations for the Council Vice President. Mr. McBeth nominated Ms. Oessenich. There were no other nominations. The Council discussed the nomination. Ms. Gasparovic commented that she was disappointed that the council was not able to choose a non-partisan nominee. Mr. Pizzola called

for a vote. Ms. Oessenich abstained. Mr. Pizzola, Ms. Gasparovic, Ms. Seader and Mr. McBeth voted in favor of Ms. Oessenich. There were no objections.

Mr. Niwinski attended the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

6. **SEPTEMBER 28 FRANK FARRY SENIOR EXPO AT NORTHAMPTON COUNTRY CLUB. Mr.** Pizzola announced that the Senior Expo will be held on September 28, 2023 from 10:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m..

7. REMINGTON VERNICK ENGINEERS –

7.1Approvals for authorization of infiltration trenches project. – Ms.

Gasparovic presented the background on the requirements and expenses to continue the stormwater management work. The council discussed the options, costs and potential shortfalls of proceeding. Ms. Seader detailed the grant money currently available and grants that are still pending. Mr. Pizzola recommended opening a credit line with the bank to access if necessary.

Ms. Judge joined the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Mr. Pizzola called for a motion to approve the RVE proposal to proceed engineering not to exceed \$77,600. Ms. Gasparovic made the motion. Ms. Seader seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

8. RDA GRANT RESOLUTIONS-

Mr. Pizzola called for a motion to approve an application to the Bucks County Redevelopment Authority for a grant in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 to fund the purchase and installation of trees. Ms. Gasparovic made the motion as called for. Ms. Oessenich seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Mr. Pizzola called for a motion to approve the application to the Bucks County Redevelopment Authority for a grant in an amount not to exceed \$429,895 to fund the Stormwater Management Projects necessary to meet the requirements of the unfunded DEP mandate to decrease sediment and pollutants that enter our watersheds. Ms. Judge made the motion. Ms. Gasparovic made the motion. There were no objections. The motion carried.

9. HIGHER EDUCATION AUTHORITY – Mr. Profy explained the request from Wood Services to convert the taxable bond to a tax-exempt bond.

Mr. Pizzola called for a motion to approve the conversion of the Higher Education Bond. Ms. Judge made the motion as called for. Mr. McBeth seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

- **10.TREES FOR WATERSHED GRANTS** Ms. Gasparovic advised us that we were not eligible for this Grant.
- 11.**GARAGE EXPENDITURES** Ms. Seader explained the problems with the Garage project. There were items that were not included in the work order. Also, the installed doors and shutters are the wrong color, the gutters have not been installed. The lights were not considered. The total change in the cost will be an additional \$2464.68. Ms. Seader will have a discussion with the RDA about applying these costs to the grant.

Mr. Pizzola called for a motion to approve the extra expenditure on the garage. Ms. Judge made the motion as called for. Mr. McBeth seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

Ms. Seader expanded on conversations she had with the RDA.

12.APPROVAL FOR CHANGES AND ADVERTISING BOROUGH

MANAGER POSITION – Ms. Gasparovic addressed the updates to the advertising and job description. The council discussed where to advertise and the timeframe for applications and interviews.

Mr. Pizzola called for a motion to approve the advertisement of the Borough Managers job description. The Ad will be placed in the Bucks County Courier Times and on the PSAB website. Ms. Judge made the motion as called for. Mr. McBeth seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

13.**BOROUGH BUILDING USE APPLICATION** – Ms. Seader explained that there have been interest/inquiries in using Borough Hall for functions other than

borough business. We do not have an application or a process in place. Mr. Niwinski will prepare more information to address later.

14. REVIEW OF REQUEST FOR ZONING CHANGE HIGHLAND & W. INTERCHANGE HIGHWAY – Mr. Pizzola called for a motion for Tom Profy to investigate the matter with the Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor and formally object to the variances. Mr. Niwinski made the motion. Ms. Gasparovic seconded. There were no objections. The motion carried.

15.COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND VISITORS – none

16.**ADJOURNMENTS** - 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.

17. NEXT MEETING - October 10, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted

Bonnie McGoldrick

Secretary/Treasurer