

**MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**

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 September 4, 2018 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; Dawn Seader; Loretta M. Luff, Secretary/Treasurer; Robert Byrne, Mayor ; and Thomas J. Profy III, Solicitor.

PERSON ABSENT – Edward Hanisco

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Ferraro to approve the minutes of August 7, 2018 as amended. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to approve the minutes of August 21, 2018 as amended. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Mrs. Seader abstained.

3. POLICE REPORT – Mayor Byrne gave the police report for August 2018.

4. INSPECTOR’S REPORT – Mrs. Luff gave the Inspector’s report for August 2018.

5. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND VISITORS-- Frank Farry, Chief of Langhorne-Middletown Fire Company, stated that at the August 13, 2018 meeting of the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors, formal action was taken to change the Middletown township Fire Marshal responsibilities to include acting as a primary fire response agency. During this meeting, the Board of Supervisors approved leases with the Penndel Fire Company and the William Penn Fire company so that the Fire Marshal’s personnel have an engine that they will be using to respond to emergency incidents Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM excluding holidays. Chief Farry stated that they had learned more about this change. The LMFC leadership feels that this change may not be the most advantageous effective plan, but it does offer more personnel to respond to daytime emergencies. Since Middletown Township has offered the services of their Fire Marshal’s personnel to respond to emergency incidents without requesting any funding or support from Langhorne Manor Borough, they recommend that Council accept their offer.

Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mrs. Seader to accept the services of Middletown Townships Fire Personnel to respond to emergency incidents as presented by Chief Farry. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Kurt Geiselhart (Langhorne-Middletown Fire Company) reported that Langhorne – Middletown Fire Company had made an application to the Redevelopment Authority for a grant for forty packs and eighty cylinders of self-containing breathing apparatuses at a cost of \$330,000. The cost would be divided up by Langhorne Borough, Langhorne Manor Borough and Middletown Township.

Mrs. Lois Abbott (803 Hulmeville Avenue) reported that the old website Langhorne Manor .com has to be removed and the new website will be Langhorne Manor.org and it should be up and running by Friday. Mrs. Abbott will be sending letters to Gate.com and Domain .com informing them of the change and she will be signing up for website maintenance with the PA State Association of Boroughs.

Mr. Mike Petrocik (406 Station Avenue) referred to the second round of street sweeping and he showed pictures of debris on the storm drains. Mr. Petrocik asked if political signs are banned from the right-of-way on individual's property. Mr. McTigue stated that he would find out and if the \$25.00 permit fee had been paid.

Ms. Alicia Gasparovic (406 Station Avenue) spoke about HB 2564-2018 Session regarding wireless facilities replaces HB1620-2017 session) The PA State Association of Boroughs has represented the interests of our commonwealth's boroughs for over a century. PSAB provided extensive training and education resources, quality group insurance and in our case legislative advocacy. This is why PSAB is glad to join with local government associations and the wireless services industry as they work together seeking to expand wireless services throughout the commonwealth. The PSAB membership had overwhelmingly voted during its 2018 Annual Conference in June to adopt resolution 2018-16 which established its overall position regarding the wireless deployment issue. Much of the content of the resolution also applies to House Bill 2564. Resolution 2018-16 reads as follows: BE IT RESOLVED, that PSAB oppose any legislation that would strip municipalities of their legal authority to regulate wireless facilities both within and outside the public rights-of-way, limit a municipality's ability to negotiate and collect reasonable fees for collocation on municipal infrastructure, or mandate municipal cooperation,

Ms. Gasparovic addressed her concerns pertaining to the paving and striping of the access roads. Mr. Pizzola explained why we could not piggy back with Middletown Township for the paving of our access roads.

Ms. Lynn Barry (301 West Park Avenue) asked about the monthly financial reports and could copies be available. Ms. Gimpel told her that January thru June 2018 reports are available. Ms. Barry spoke about the Auditor that does not live in the borough. Mr. McTigue stated that he would be addressing this later in the meeting.

Mr. Steve Yourtee (502 Hulmeville Avenue) addressed the road paving contract and he wanted to know if the cost of seam sealing was included and he question Jason Snyder qualifications.

Mr. Pizzola addressed Mr. Yourtee's concerns and told him that seam sealing was included in the proposal and that Jason Snyder is a licensed professional engineer focusing on sustainable infrastructure, roadway management, repair, rehabilitation, and reconstruction. Leader in geosynthetic reinforced soil-integrated bridge systems (GRS-IBS), pavement preservation, full depth reclamation (FDR) & soil cement, haul routes, low volume and dirt & gravel road design and cost effective and temporary bridge solutions, for municipalities, heavy hauling clients and DOT's

Mr. James Russell stated that they had submitted an application to the Zoning Hearing Board to be able to build a new garage on the site of the present garage. Their property is non-conforming to the Borough's Zoning Ordinance. They will need three variances-back setback, side setback and impervious surface. After a discussion motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Ferraro that Council take no position for Mr. Russell's request and refer it to the Zoning Hearing Board. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS – Mrs. Barnes had no report for the Planning Commission.

Mr. Jay Ferraro reported on a proposal of \$6,071.00 from D.E.A. LLC. for the removal of existing fixtures and replacement of three-wall packs on exterior of Borough Hall, five spot type LEDs controlled from time clock in basement. (2-flagpole, 2-yard sign, 1-rock memorial), three pole lanterns light heads to retro fit with new LEDs to original pole base, and one hi-pressure sodium to get replaced by a LED Panel type flood that would mount to the original wood pole. Mr. Ferraro will be calling D.E.A. pertaining to their proposal as he feels that it is a little higher than he expected.

Mr. Ferraro presented an estimate from Alpine Gardens for \$1,597.80 for removal of cherry laurel and ivy from the front flower bed, install 6 hydrangeas-\$57.00 each, 8 heleri hollies-3 gallon at \$42.50 each, install 12 varigated liriopoe accent plants at \$9.00 each and remulch bed-3 yards black mulch at \$30.00 per yard. Labor to pull unwanted plants and install new landscape-7 hours at \$95.00 per hour.

Mr. Ferraro reported that he and Mayor Byrne would be putting together a bid proposal for the painting of the windows and fire escape at the Borough Hall.

Mr. Ferraro reported that the borough Hall HVAC system was serviced on Friday August 31, 2018 by Good Heating and Air Conditioning and they will be providing a proposal for the replacement of the older outside condensing unit and interior coil valve.

Mr. Ferraro reported that the exterior water spigot will be replaced on the borough office building, and the clean-out cover in the front yard will be replaced this month.

Mr. Ferraro stated that the roof repairs had been completed.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to add the final bill in the amount of \$2850.00 for Economy Roofing. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gimpel reported that the DCED report had been re-submitted with a couple of minor changes.

Ms. Gimpel reported that the Pollution Liability policy will be due and a quote from Tokio Marine Specialty Insurance Company had been received. The deductible will increase from \$10,000.00 to \$25,000.00. The premium will increase \$270.00. The total premium will be \$4696.00

Mr. Hanisco was absent.

Mr. McTigue asked for a motion to authorize Mrs. Abbott to send letters to Domain.com and Gate.com informing them to terminate LanghorneManor.com. Motion was made by Mrs. Seader and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to terminate LanghorneManor.com with Domain.com and Gate.com. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. McTigue reported that Hulmeville Borough is interested in purchasing some of our green re-cycling containers. Ms. Gimpel stated that the re-cycling containers should be made available on Election Day for the residents to purchase.

Mr. McTigue referred to a letter from Custom Alarm Service telling of the passing of John Korhonen. Brian Rachlin who has owned Nationwide Building Security for the past thirty years will be continuing to run Custom Alarm Service. He stated that there would be no change with the central station information or pricing.

Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Ferraro to continue with Custom Alarm service. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. McTigue read a letter from Constellation pertaining to their new billing system and that the Borough may receive two invoices, one for September and one for October and the service periods do not overlap, and this is a onetime event and there is no change to the contract prices.

Mr. McTigue referred to a flyer that he had received from Republic Services as to what can and cannot be recycled.

Ms. Seader stated that she would be in contact with Cairn University pertaining to what they should be recycling.

Mr. McTigue referred to a letter of resignation from the position of auditor signed by Richard Brodbeck, returning his check for auditor and explaining that he is no longer a resident of Langhorne Manor Borough and must resign immediately. Mr. Brodbeck enclosed with his letter the check for \$50.00 that was issued by Langhorne Manor Borough.

Mr. Profy explained that Council has thirty days from the date of Mr. Brodbeck's resignation to appoint a new auditor.

Mrs. Seader reported that she and Mr. Pizzola are working on a grant with the RDA in the amount of \$500,000.00 for road paving.

The Bucks County Boroughs Association General Membership Dinner meeting will be Tuesday September 25, 2018; the cost will be \$35.00. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Seader to send \$35.00 for the Bucks County Boroughs Association monthly dinner in the amount of \$35.00 if Mrs. Barnes attends. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Pizzola reported after review for bid compliance by project engineer Jason Snyder and Counsel Thomas Profy III, the repair project for the access lanes has been awarded to the low bidder, James D. Morrissey Inc.

Mr. Pizzola reported that the request for \$500,000 grant for paving the roads in Langhorne Manor Borough has been drafted and will be submitted by the end of September deadline for consideration.

Mr. Pizzola also reported that the concrete island between the access lanes and the travel lanes on US Route 1 northbound had been swept by PennDot.

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

8. SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Mr. Profy had no further information..

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. Economy Roofing in the amount of \$2850.00 is to be added to the bill list. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Ferraro to pay the bills as amended. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Mr. McTigue stated that all Council members have received a copy of the Treasurer's report for August 2018 and asked if anyone has any comments. Ms. Gimpel stated that reports for January thru June 2018 are corrected and available for public to review. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to approve the financial statements with detail back-up with the exception that they might not be classified all correctly and have them available for the public to review. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

11. SECOND MEETING – Mr. McTigue stated that a second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday September 18, 2018.

12. ADJOURNMENT – Mr. McTigue entertained a motion to adjourn this meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Ferraro and seconded by Mrs. Seader to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday September 18, 2018 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff
Secretary/Treasurer
Langhorne Manor Borough