

MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF JANUARY 4, 2010

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 Monday, January 4, 2010 at 8:00 P.M. Eastern Time by William McTigue.

At this point in the meeting Mayor Byrne led us in the "Pledge of Allegiance."

PERSONS PRESENT – Maryann Barnes Vice President; Edward Hanisco; William McTigue; President, Nicholas Pizzola; Patricia Silcox; Steven Yourtee; Robert Byrne, Mayor; Loretta M. Luff, Secretary/Treasurer and Thomas J. Profy III, Solicitor.

PERSON ABSENT – Sharon Gimpel;

The swearing in of Maryann Barnes, Edward Hanisco, William McTigue and Patricia Silcox, Borough Council members Robert Byrne, Mayor, Eleanor Hanisco, Auditor and Denise Reid, Tax Collector was conducted by Magisterial District Judge Daniel Baranoski.

Next on the agenda was the election of President and Vice President of Borough Council.

Mr. McTigue was nominated for the office of President by Mr. Hanisco and seconded by Mrs. Barnes. There were no other nominations. Mr. McTigue was elected by acclamation.

Mrs. Barnes was nominated by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Yourtee. There were no other nominations for the office of Vice President. Mrs. Barnes was elected by acclamation.

Mr. McTigue stated that the following appointments have to be made this evening.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to re-appoint The First Nation Bank & Trust Company of Newtown for our General Checking Account, General Fund Savings Account, Payroll Account, PBU Escrow Account, Sewer Department Checking and Savings Accounts, Highway Aid Account and the Capital Reserve Account. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to re-appoint PA INVEST for the PA INVEST Sewer Account. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to re-appoint Steve Yourtee to a five year term on the Planning Commission. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. McTigue stated that Mr. Mark Shapcott would have to be re-appointed to a two year term as Auditor and he would have to run for Auditor in 2011 for a four year term. Motion was

made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Hanisco to re-appoint Mr. Shapcott as Auditor. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Shapcott was sworn in as Auditor by Magisterial District Judge Daniel Baranoski.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to re-appoint Ron Bartnikowski to a three year term on the Zoning Hearing Board. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to re-appoint Mrs. Jean Nelson to a five year term on the Langhorne Manor Borough Higher Education and Health Authority. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to re-appoint Frank Farry as Fire Marshall. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to re-appoint Loretta Luff as Secretary/Treasurer. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to re-appoint Thomas J. Profy III from Begley, Carlin & Mandio as the Borough Solicitor. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Profy thanked the Council for his re-appointment as the Borough Solicitor. Mr. Profy presented the proposed Contract for Professional Services between Langhorne Manor Borough and Begley, Carlin & Mandio, LLP for calendar year 2010. The terms and provisions of the Contract are exactly the same as the Contract dated January 6, 2009 and the Contract provides for no increased compensation to their Firm for calendar year 2010. Annual retainer of the Firm remains at Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred (\$13,500.00) Dollars and has not been increased since calendar year 2008.

Motion as made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to accept the Contract as presented by Mr. Profy for Begley, Carlin & Mandio. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to re-appoint James Peet to a two year term as Building Inspector. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to re-appoint James Peet to a two year term as Code Enforcement Officer. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to re-appoint James Peet to a two year term as the Plumbing Inspector. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to re-appoint Pickering, Corts & Summerson as the Borough Engineer. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to re-appoint Winters Best as the Outside Custodian. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Hanisco to re-appoint Loretta Luff as the inside Custodian. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Emergency Management, William McTigue (Appointed 1996) Coordinator (Appointed by recommendation of the Governor). Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to re-appoint Mr. McTigue as Coordinator. No objections were presented. Motion carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to re-appoint John Gibbons to a one year term on the Vacancy Board. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to re-appoint Beth Bartnikowski as Assistant Secretary. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to re-appoint John Lisa as Liaison to Comcast Cablevision and Verizon Communications. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to approve the minutes of December 1, 2009 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Mr. Hanisco and Mrs. Silcox abstained

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to approve the minutes of December 15, 2009 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Mr. Hanisco and Mrs. Silcox abstained.

3. POLICE REPORT – Mayor Byrne gave the police report for November 2009 and December 2009. Mayor Byrne also gave the police end of the year report for 2009.

4. INSPECTOR'S REPORT-Mr. Peet gave the Inspector's report for the month of December 2009.

5. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS & VISITORS –There were no comment requests.

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

Mr. McTigue reported that the new trash contract started on January 1, 2010.

Mr. McTigue had no report for the Police Committee.

Mr. Pizzola referred to the notice in the packets pertaining to the portable stop signs and he thinks it is a good idea to purchase them.

Mr. Yourtee stated that Ms. Gimpel had done the research on the portable stop signs and he felt the Borough could use two of them. When a stop sign is knocked down or damaged a portable stop sign could be put in its place till the permanent one is replaced.

Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to purchase two portable stop signs at a cost of \$319.98 plus shipping. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Yourtee reported that there were two snow storms and the first one on December 19th and 20th this bill was \$3,048.00 and the bill has not come in for the storm on December 31, 2009. Mrs. Barnes stated that she had received many complaints about how Hill Avenue was plowed. Mr. Yourtee stated that Kevin Seifert Inc. had a new person doing the plowing this year and this was his first plowing job in the Manor.

Mr. Yourtee reported that a letter from Pickering Corts and Summerson had been received stating that the Maintenance Bond was set to expire on or about January 23, 2010 their office had completed a field inspection of the improvements for the Street Reconstruction Project and at this time there are no outstanding issues. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to release the Maintenance Bond for the Street Reconstruction Project. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Yourtee reported that the second invoice from John Milner Architect for 55% of their work completed in the amount of \$4,429.25 is to be added to the bill list for payment this evening.

Mr. Yourtee reported that John Milner Architect will be getting the bidding and specification documents prepared for February so they will be able to go out to bid.

Mr. Yourtee gave an explanation to the new Borough Council members as to the restoration project that is to be done on the Borough Hall.

Mr. Yourtee asked if the bids for the work to be done on the Borough Hall should be separate bids or combined bids. Mr. Profy recommended that they get bids both ways.

Mr. Yourtee spoke on the TMA breakfast that he had attended in December.

Ms. Gimpel entered the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

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

8. SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Mr. Profy stated that everything that he had to report on had been covered this evening.

9. CORRESPONDENCE –Mr. McTigue read the annual Shade Tree Commission report.

Ms. Gimpel asked Mr. Profy about the PBU Escrow account balance of forty-six cents. Mr. Profy replied that he would contact PBU and request funds to be deposited into their Escrow account. The Escrow account for Brighton at Lakeside is to be closed.

10. APPROVAL OF BILLS & TREASURER'S REPORT FOR PAYMENT – Mr. McTigue stated that all Council members had received a copy of the bill list for payment. He asked if there were any questions or discussions. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to pay the bills as presented and to include the bill from John Milner Architects in the amount of \$4429.25. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Mr. McTigue stated that all Council members had received a copy of the Treasurer's report and does anyone have any comments. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to accept the Treasurer's report for December 2009 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

11. SECOND MEETING – Mr. McTigue stated that a second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 19 2010, at the present time there is no business for the agenda. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mrs. Barnes 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. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Hanisco to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:11 P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday February 2 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff
Secretary/Treasurer
Langhorne Manor Borough