

**MINUTES**  
**LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2007**

**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, February 6, 2007, at 8:04 P.M. Eastern Standard Time by William McTigue, President.

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

**PERSONS PRESENT** –Maryann Barnes, Vice President; David Badgley; Donna Cianci; Sharon Gimpel; William McTigue; President, Steven Yourtee; Francis Farmer, Mayor; Loretta M. Luff, Secretary/Treasurer and Thomas J. Profy III, Solicitor.

**PERSON ABSENT** – Nicholas Pizzola

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to approve the minutes of January 2, 2007 as amended. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

**3. POLICE REPORT** – Mayor Farmer gave the police report for the month of January 2007 and the end of the year report for 2006. Mrs. Cianci asked about the guardrail that had been damaged at the Highland Avenue end of the overpass and if any information had been received as to if there had been any police department investigation of the accident. Mayor Farmer replied that as far as he knew our police department did not investigate that accident. Mr. Yourtee reported that since the last Council meeting the guardrail on the Gillam Avenue end of the overpass is down due to an accident.

Mr. McTigue stated that this would be addressed this evening and also he would like to obtain some quotes for repairs to the damaged guardrails.

Mr. Profy asked if the repairs to the damaged guardrails could be covered by the Borough insurance. Ms. Gimpel replied that our insurance would cover the damage as long as there are no accident reports. Ms. Gimpel is to contact Paist & Noe, our insurance agent

**4. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS & VISITORS** – Mr. Gary Wiley (610 Hulmeville Avenue) thanked the Borough Council for increasing their contribution to the Langhorne Middletown Fire Company

Mrs. Barnes asked, as a tax payer, if there was anyway that she could find out how the money given to the fire company from the Borough is used. Mr. Wiley explained that the Boroughs of Penndel, Hulmeville, Langhorne, and Langhorne Manor tax money goes to Middletown Township and then it gets disbursed as payments to the fire companies for their budget for operating expenses. Mrs. Barnes again asked if there is anyway we could get information as to how our money is being used.

Mr. Profy stated that Borough Council would like to see the accounting of the money that Langhorne Manor Borough had donated. He asked Mr. Wiley if he could find out if there is such a document and if the Council could see it. Mr. Wiley replied, that would not be a problem, but it would not have the money separated by what was spent out of the Borough's tax money. Mr. Wiley stated that the money from all the Boroughs goes into a fund and is divided equally between the Skyline Fire companies that are Parkland, Penndel, Hulmeville, and Langhorne Fire companies.

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Mrs. Barnes had no report for the Planning Commission. Mrs. Barnes reported that she and Mr. Pizzola had attended the Borough Association meeting on disaster planning and it was an excellent program. Mrs. Barnes presented some old Borough Council newsletters and one was dated 1984 when we were combined with the other Boroughs for trash collection. The newsletters will be kept in the Borough office.

Mr. Badgley spoke on the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs seminar on grant preparation to be held on April 5, 2007 in Allentown, PA at a cost of \$120.00, and he would like to attend. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to pay \$120.00 plus travel expenses for Mr. Badgley to attend the seminar on grant preparation. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cianci reported that the light at Highland and Hill Avenues was out and the light at Hulmeville Avenue and the Access Road on the south side is out.

Ms. Gimpel reported that she had passed information on a seminar on trees to the Shade Tree Commission members. They are to contact Mrs. Luff if they were interested in attending.

Ms. Gimpel spoke on the notice of a class action suite concerning Zurich. She has spoken to Mr. Komilasky from Paist & Noe and it was decided that it would not be worth joining the claim because of the small amount that the Borough would receive.

Ms. Gimpel reported that we had sent a bill for sewers to Philadelphia Biblical University, and she is in the process of getting some revised bills for Langhorne Gardens Nursing Home from Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority.

Ms. Gimpel stated that several committee members' terms have expired at the beginning of the year; they are Maryann Barnes, Planning Commission, Gary Mucklow and Ronald Bartnikowski, Zoning Hearing Board, Francis Farmer, Higher Education Authority, and Steve Yourtee, Shade Tree Commission. Mr. McTigue stated that he would like this information posted on the website. Mr. Profy stated that their terms had expired, but their term continues until and if a successor is chosen. Mr. McTigue will contact the people whose terms have expired to see if they are interested in being re-appointed.

Mr. McTigue reported that Barry Turchil from Langhorne Borough had contacted him to see if there would be interest in having combined trash pick up. Mr. McTigue told him that we had just signed a three-year contract. A copy of our contract is to be sent to Mr. Turchil.

Mr. McTigue referred to a letter from Pickering Corts and Summerson pertaining to the Hulmeville Avenue cross pipe north of Gillam Avenue.

(SEE ATACHED LETTER)

Mrs. Barnes stated that based on the letter from Pickering Corts and Summerson, she does not feel that there is a need for an additional inlet and cross pipe at that location.

Mr. Yourtee feels that this letter speaks very strongly. Based on the calculations as well as the wording pertaining to the new pipe that was installed a couple years ago, it is more then sufficient that the need for the second pipe is not required. Maybe this can be put to rest.

Mrs. Cianci stated that they keep saying that there is an existing pipe there. Mr. McTigue replied that there is an inlet at the corner of Hulmeville and Gillam Avenues. Mrs. Cianci said that she knows that there is one at the corner, but where is the one that they keep saying is there on Hulmeville Avenue. Were there two of them there in that area before? Mr. Yourtee replied that originally there was only one inlet, one hundred fifty feet down on Hulmeville Avenue, and the Borough added the second inlet sixty feet down at the corner three or four years ago. Now there are two inlets in that area.

Mayor Farmer stated that because that pipe was taken out, they want a pipe put back in that spot, even after all the money the Borough spent on the corner of Hulmeville and Gillam Avenues putting in the new inlet.

Mr. Profy stated that since Council has discussed the letter from Pickering Corts and Summerson and since there were references to the letter, it should be attached to the minutes.

Mr. McTigue reported on an update on the sewer system. There were five manholes that need to be repaired. Council had approved the bid from Infratech in the amount of \$4,575.00 for repairs of the manholes. Infratech had submitted additional costs of expenditures in the amount of \$2,425.00 Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mrs. Cianci to pay the original proposal of \$4,575.00 and the additional \$2,425.00 for a total of \$7,000.00 for the repairs to five manholes. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Yourtee reported that he is looking for volunteers to remove the partition in the Borough Hall. Mr. Yourtee will be available most of February during the day or evening. The reason for the removal of the partition is in anticipation of grants for the restoration of the Borough Hall.

Mr. Yourtee reported that PennDot is distributing fluorescent yellow-green free standing cross walk signs to municipalities. Mr. Yourtee is to contact PennDot for a sign for Bellevue Avenue prior to the railroad crossing.

Mr. Yourtee reported that Langhorne Paving completed the paving and grading on the corner of Langhorne Avenue and Pine Street as per their proposal. They will fine grade and seed the area when the weather gets warmer. Mr. Yourtee would like their invoice in the amount of \$5,600.00 added to the bill list for payment. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Badgley to

add the invoice from Langhorne Paving in the amount of \$5,600.00 added to the bill list. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Yourtee reported on two seminars given by the PSAB titled, "The Roles and Responsibilities of Council Members" at a fee of \$60.00 and "The Evolution of Stormwater Management" which pertains to the MS4 regulations, at a fee of \$80.00 on March 1, 2007 in Allentown, PA. Mr. McTigue said he would like to attend if it could be arranged with his work. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to send someone to the "The Evolution of Stormwater Management" seminar at a cost of \$80.00, plus traveling expenses. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Yourtee reported that he had received two proposals for the stormwater inlets that are clogged. From Trenchless Rehabilitation Services; clean catch basins and line at \$200.00 an hour, traffic control on state highways at \$96.00 per hour, and disposal of debris removed from the basins and lines at \$770.00. From Infratech Industries; \$210.00 per hour for a two man crew for seventeen hours with a combination hydraulic cleaning and vacuum, and a charge for hydrant water for sewer cleaning and for disposal sight for debris removed from sewers. After a discussion Mr. Profy recommended that Mr. Yourtee get a fix sum on the nine manholes to be cleaned and a time frame for the completion of the work to be performed.

Mayor Farmer explained that Liquid Fuel Funds will be used and this bid process has to be done right or we could lose our Liquid Fuel Funds.

Mr. McTigue suggested that Mr. Yourtee limit the work to opening up the nine boxes for cleaning out and a time frame for the completion of this work. Mr. Yourtee is to get three proposals for this work to be done on the nine inlets for the March Council meeting.

Mr. Yourtee reported that the telephone pole that was left lying on Bellevue Avenue had been removed.

**5. MAYOR'S REPORT** – Mayor Farmer stated that he had no further report.

**6. SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – Mr. Profy referred to the plans for Wood Service's parking lot and the stormwater management retention basin. The action that Council has to determine this evening is whether or not to have the Borough Engineer, Pickering, Corts and Summerson, inspect the Wood Services stormwater facilities located in Langhorne Manor Borough and the up stream facilities that drain into those facilities and if the Borough is going to require Wood Services to establish an escrow account for those improvements. Mr. Profy recommended that the Borough Engineer, Pickering, Corts and Summerson inspect the improvements and that the Borough not require a separate escrow account, but have the escrow incorporated into the Middletown escrow. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to have the Borough Engineer, Pickering, Corts and Summerson do the inspections for Woods Service's improvements for stormwater basins and have Middletown include those improvements in their escrow. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

**8. INSPECTOR'S REPORT** –Mr. Bush gave the Inspector's report for the month of January 2007.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE** –Mrs. Luff read a letter from Mae Stewart/Administrative Liaison for the Philadelphia Biblical University Women's Auxiliary asking permission to participate in our Community Yard Sale day. Council stated that that would be all right.

The date for the Community Yard Sale will be Saturday May 12, 2007 and bulk trash pick-up will be Saturday May 19, 2007.

Mr. McTigue thanked the Langhorne Middletown Fire Company for the invitation to their dinner on February 3, 2007.

**10. APPROVAL OF BILLS & TREASURER'S 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. Added to the bill list was Langhorne Paving \$5,600.00, Associated Imagining \$25.00. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to pay all bills as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ms. Gimpel and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to table the Treasurer's report. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

**11. SECOND MEETING** – Mr. McTigue stated that a second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 20, 2007; at the present time there is no business for the agenda. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Badgley to dispense with the second meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. McTigue stated that council members had received a copy of the Law Enforcement Policies that are to be approved this evening as recommended by Mr. Profy. Our insurance company, National Casualty Company, requires the policies. Chief Bumm had reviewed the policies. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to approve the policies as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Mayor Farmer stated that all officers would be instructed to read and initial all policies.

**12. ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. McTigue entertained a motion to adjourn this meeting. Motion was made by Mrs. Cianci and seconded by Mrs. Barnes to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:48 P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday March 6, 2007 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Langhorne Manor Borough



# PICKERING, CORTS & SUMMERSON, INC.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, PLANNERS & LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

January 30, 2007

Mr. William R. McTigue, Jr.  
Borough Council President  
Langhorne Manor Borough  
618 Hulmeville Avenue  
Langhorne, PA 19047

**RE: Hulmeville Avenue Cross Pipe  
PC&S File No. 16-0026**

Dear Mr. McTigue:

As requested we have performed an analysis for the installation of an additional inlet and cross pipe under Hulmeville Avenue (S.R. 2047) approximately 150 feet north of Gillam Avenue adjacent to TMPs 19-3-10 and 19-3-28. Currently there is an existing Type C inlet and 18 inch reinforced concrete cross pipe approximately 90 feet upstream from the proposed crossing. In February of last year our office presented the Borough with a construction cost estimate of \$21,900.00 for the installation of the new system.

Using the construction plans for the existing system prepared by Carroll Engineering Corporation (CEC) consisting of two (2) sheets dated September 23, 2002 and last revised December 11, 2002 we were able to determine the design criteria for the existing storm sewer system. CEC determined that the inlet has a 1.5 acre drainage area and a 100 year storm flow rate of 6.15 cubic feet per second (cfs). Using the information presented on the plans (A=1.5 acres, C coefficient of 0.50 and time of concentration of 5 minutes) our office calculated the additional flow rates for the 2 through 50 year storm as follows:  $Q_2=3.45$  cfs,  $Q_5=4.05$  cfs,  $Q_{10}=4.5$  cfs,  $Q_{25}=5.1$  cfs and  $Q_{50}=5.7$  cfs.

Common engineering practice in this area assumes that a PennDOT Type C inlet will accept approximately 4 to 5 cfs through both the inlet grate and throat section. Assuming a clogging factor of 20 percent leaves a capacity of 3.2 to 4 cfs. From the above flow rates it can be seen that the inlet will capture all flow up to the 5 year storm. In Pennsylvania over 95 percent of the average annual rainfall occurs in storms of 3 inches or less, which equates to an approximate 2 year storm. Stated another way the existing inlet should capture over 95 percent of the storms in this area without any bypass.

Since the proposed system is located approximately 90 feet downstream from the existing inlet, water will flow through this area. Our office has calculated a drainage area to the proposed inlet of approximately 0.4 acres and the minor flows of  $Q_2=0.9$  cfs,  $Q_5=1.1$  cfs,  $Q_{10}=1.2$  cfs,  $Q_{25}=1.4$  cfs,  $Q_{50}=1.6$  cfs and  $Q_{100}=1.7$  cfs. While the area where the proposed inlet would be located appears relatively flat there is some fall to the north along Hulmeville Avenue allowing the area to eventually drain.

Based on the above analysis our office feels that an additional inlet is not justified as the existing system is adequate to handle the upstream discharge.

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If you require any additional information or have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

**PICKERING, CORTS & SUMMERSON, INC.**

Mario L. Canales, P.E.  
Borough Engineer

cc: Langhorne Manor Borough Council  
Loretta Luff, Borough Secretary  
Joseph A. Bush, Jr., Borough Zoning Officer  
Thomas J. Profy, III, Esquire, Borough Solicitor