

**MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF JULY 7, 2009**

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, July 7, 2009, at 8:03 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 –Sharon Gimpel; William McTigue; President, Nicholas Pizzola; Steven Yourtee; Robert Byrne, Mayor; Loretta M. Luff, Secretary/Treasurer and Thomas J. Profy III, Solicitor.

PERSON ABSENT – David Badgley; Maryann Barnes Vice President; Donna Cianci;

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to approve the minutes of June 2, 2009 as presented and amended. No objections were presented. Motion carried

3. POLICE REPORT –Mayor Byrne gave the police report for the month of June 2009.

Mayor Byrne stated that two air cards are need for the two laptops computers that had been installed in the two police cars at a cost of \$42.99 per card.

Mr. Profy recommended that one card be purchased and then shop around for a second card at a lower cost.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola to purchased one card at a cost of \$42.99; there was no second to the motion.

After a discussion, Mr. McTigue stated that he does not feel that there was enough information provided for the air cards. Mayor Byrne is to get more information for the August 4, 2009 Council meeting.

Ms Gimpel asked again if the cell phones the police use are their own personal cell phones. Mayor Byrne replied that they are their own personal cell phones. Ms. Gimpel feels that it could be part of the police policy that they leave their cell phones at home. Mr. Yourtee stated that the police have called him on their cell phone while on patrol to tell him that a limb is down. Ms. Gimpel said ok.

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

Ms. Gimpel asked about how the new law pertaining to Contractor's licenses would affect us. Mr. Profy replied that any person who is remodeling a home comes under the state law; any contractor doing work other than home remodeling will come under our ordinance.

5. **COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS & VISITORS** - There were no requests

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Mrs. Barnes absent

Mr. Badgley-absent

Mrs. Cianci-absent

Ms. Gimpel had no report for Shade Tree. Ms. Gimpel stated the insurance that renewed increased \$700.00, liability increased \$300.00 and workmen compensation increased \$400.00, also a new check will be re-issued in the amount of \$9952.29 it will replace check #5505.

Mr. McTigue had no report for the police committee.

Mr. McTigue stated that he is still looking at the recycling receipts. Since we changed the recycling day in October 2007, which is when we started to see a big difference in the amount of money we receive monthly from Otter Recycling, and he has been discussing this with Allied Waste. Langhorne Manor Borough has received an opportunity to participate in an agreement for the purchasing process and marketing recycling materials collected in the County of Bucks. After a discussion and explanation of the agreement, Mr. Profy recommended that Mr. McTigue check with the County for more information and he is to check with Allied Waste to see if they have their own program.

Mr. McTigue addressed the sewer rates, which are presently \$125.00 per EDU a quarter. Council was to review the work sheet on sewer rates that Ms. Gimpel had put together pertaining to Langhorne Manor Borough, Philadelphia Biblical University, (PBU) and Langhorne Gardens Nursing Home, as to what we collect from them and what we pay Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority (BCW&SA). Mr. McTigue stated that over time the amount that we collect from PBU and Langhorne Gardens and what we pay BCW&SA has been decreasing and we should consider going on a usage basis, because PBU and Langhorne Gardens is being charged on an EDU basis, it is based on an allocation of so many gallons used per day. To be fair to everyone involved the residents, PBU and Langhorne Gardens, they should be charged on the amount of water used.

Ms. Gimpel explained, to have a base rate of 4,000 gallons per quarter with a minimum charge of \$75.00 and for apartments \$100.00. After 4,000 gallons than a usage rate per 1,000 gallons would apply. In order for a resident to pay \$125.00, they would have to use 11,750 gallons for that quarter.

Mr. Profy stated that apartments should be charged \$75.00 per EDU instead of the \$100.00 that had been recommended.

Mr. Profy stated that he would like to discuss Ms. Gimpel's new rate plan with John Swenson from Carroll Engineering.

Mr. Pizzola stated that he would like the residents to be notified as to how the new rates are going to affect them and have the residents attend a meeting and discuss this. Ms. Gimpel recommended that a post card be sent to the residents informing them of the new sewer rates and when it will be discussed at a meeting.

Mr. Pizzola had no report

Mr. Pizzola is to check on signs on Comly Avenue near Bellevue Avenue and a street sign at Fairview and Station Avenues.

Mr. Yourtee addressed the area on Bellevue Avenue where the brush on the bank has overgrown on to the walk area and it will cost about \$1,000.00 to correct this problem.

Mr. Profy said that he would work with Mr. Yourtee to get this problem corrected.

Mr. Yourtee said that he would have information for the August Borough Council meeting pertaining to the restoration of Borough Hall.

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

8. SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Mr. Profy reported that the Fence Ordinance had been advertised and Council could table the ordinance until the August 4, 2009 Council meeting and it would not have to be re-advertised. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to ratify the advertisement of the amendment to Ordinance #2009-02 that was published on June 18, 2009 in the Advance of Bucks County pertaining to chapter 72 fences. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to table for consideration of the amended Fence Ordinance till the August 4, 2009 Borough Council meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Profy reported that the Wielehowski condominium projects final plans had been signed. The plans will not be released to the property owner till the Borough has the Land Development Agreement and a Financial Security Agreement and they may need to make some modifications to the plans to address Soil Conservation District issues.

Mr. Profy reported that the work on the storm sewer inlet that had been filled in with concrete at 308 Hill Avenue could be done for \$3,650.00 by A. H. Cornell and Sons. \$6785.00 is being held in escrow for this project.

Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to authorize A.H. Cornell and Sons to do the storm sewer inlet work at 308 Hill Avenue in the amount of \$3650.00. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

9. CORRESPONDENCE – Notice of the MS4 report that had been submitted by Pickering Corts and Summerson.

Mr. Yourtee asked if there are a set of blue prints available for when the Borough Hall was built. Mrs. Luff said that she would check the safe deposit box at First National Bank in Langhorne.

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 amended. 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 Ms. Gimpel to accept the Treasurer's report for June 2009 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried. .

11. SECOND MEETING – Mr. McTigue stated that a second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday July 21, 2009; at the present time there is no business for the agenda. Motion was made by Ms. Gimpel 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. Pizzola and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:12 P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday August 4, 2009 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff
Secretary/Treasurer
Langhorne Manor Borough