

MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF JULY 9, 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 Monday July 9, 2007, at 8:02 P.M. Eastern Time by William McTigue, President.

At this point in the meeting Mr. Badgley led us in the "Pledge of Allegiance."

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

PERSON ABSENT – Nicholas Pizzola, Francis Farmer, Mayor

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to approve the minutes of June 5, 2007 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried

3. POLICE REPORT – Mr. McTigue gave the police report for the month of June 2007.

4. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS & VISITORS – Mrs. Lois Abbott (803 Hulmeville Avenue) asked if the approved budget for 2007 could be put on the web site and Mr. McTigue replied yes. Mrs. Abbott referred to the grass growing at the corner of Gillam Avenue and the approach to the overpass and the limbs that had come down on the 700 block of Hulmeville Avenue during a storm in June. PennDot had moved the limbs, but they threw them along the road in the wooded area. She wants to know if Middletown Township can be made to clean up the area along Hulmeville Avenue. Mr. McTigue replied that we will call State Representative Chris King's office and see if PennDot can be made to clean it up as they are responsible for putting it there.

Mr. McTigue explained that due to the turfing of the property at Gillam Avenue and the overpass, Middletown Township said that they would not be cutting there anymore as the area is too rough.

Mrs. Abbott stated that she and her husband walk at night and they have not seen a police car in months. She feels the police car should be more visible through out the Manor. She stated that she had seen the police car up at the Langhorne Shopping Center for at more than a half hour, she asked if we pay for their dinner hour and Mr. McTigue replied yes we do. She feels that our police are everywhere but in the Manor as she also saw them in the shopping center in Penndel. Mr. McTigue stated that he would report her concerns with the Police Department to Mayor Farmer. Mrs. Abbott would like to see the police report in the minutes.

Mr. Yourtee stated that the police hours were low for the month of June, they usually are in the three hundreds, he asked if the hours would be higher in the months to come as we have hired another police officer. Mr. McTigue replied that they should increase.

Mr. Pizzola entered the meeting at 8:14 P.M.

Mr. Steve Cloak (207 Elm Avenue) referred to a storm water problem at the corner of Hill and Elm Avenues, there is a dip at the corner of Elm Avenue, the water comes across his property and then across 1007 Hill Avenue (Eldridge) and then the water ends up in the Luff's garage and in their back yard at the corner of Hill and Comly Avenues. He feels that the water problem comes from the property across from his house at the corner of Hill and Elm Avenues.

Mr. George Dalessandro (321 Hulmeville Avenue) referred to the storm water that runs from Hill Avenue across the lot between his property and the Sugalaski property at 323 Hulmeville Avenue, he wants reassurance that this storm water does not become his problem when a house is built on that lot.

Mr. McTigue replied that the control the Borough has is when a person wants to develop the property, they have to submit a land development plan.

Mr. Yourtee asked as to the procedure for issuing a permit for drainage, is it the Building Inspector or Bucks County Soil and Conservation that issues a permit.

Mr. Profy stated that it would be the responsibility of the Building, Code Enforcement Officer to review the plans and make recommendations for the proper drainage.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS –Mrs. Barnes had no report for the Planning Commission. Mrs. Barnes reported that the road is breaking up at the corner of Hill and Gillam Avenues and also a section of the road about six feet long in front of 319 Hill Avenue is also breaking up. Mrs. Barnes reported that Doctor Babb's wife Linda passed away. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to send \$100.00 to the Linda Babb Scholarship Fund. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Badgley stated that because of the way the Borough Hall is used it would not qualify for Historical Preservation Funds, but it could qualify for non-profit funding which is easier to obtain. Mr. Badgley also stated that there are cooperate funds available that we maybe able to obtain.

Mrs. Cianci reported that there is no street light out in the Manor.

Ms. Gimpel had no report for the Shade Tree Commission.

Ms. Gimpel reported on the new insurance policy for 2007-2008, it includes (Property Liability, Crime, Boiler, Auto) Terrorism Premium, Public Officials Liability, Law Enforcement Liability, Workers Compensation and Killed in the Line of Duty for a total of \$16,585.00, the policy for this year is \$1,404.00 less than last year, out of the \$16,585 premium \$4362.00 is paid directly to Workmen Compensation, \$2,257.19 is paid out of the Sewer Account and the balance of \$9,965.81 is paid out of the General Fund.

Ms. Gimpel suggested that Council invest \$400,000.00 of the sewer money in to four \$100,000.00 Certificate of Deposit (CD) at an interest rate of 4.75%. They will be a seven, nine, twelve, and fifteen month CD'S to be purchased at the First National Bank and Trust. Motion was made by Ms. Gimpel and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to purchase the four CD'S as recommended by Ms. Gimpel at an interest rate of 4.75%. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. McTigue reported that because of the 4th of July falling on Wednesday, Allied Waste picked the trash up on Thursday not on Saturday as in previous years. If a holiday falls on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday our trash will be picked up on Thursday.

Mr. Pizzola had no report on budget or street signs. Mr. Pizzola stated that the new copier would be set up for scanning by next month.

Mr. Yourtee reported that he did not receive a follow up from Pickering Corts and Summerson pertaining to the nine storm water drains that had been cleaned of debris which he had asked them to look at again and inform us as to what the next step would be and he also did not receive a report from Carroll Engineering pertaining to the man holes on Hulmeville Avenues re-paving project.

Mr. Yourtee stated that he did not order the "No Dumping" signs yet because he thought that he would wait and see if he was to order a handi-cap parking sign for the Smith property on Manor Avenue, and he would order them at the same time.

Mr. Profy stated that the Borough Code was amended recently, it now provides and allows the Borough to establish or designate at the desecration of the cooperate authority (Borough Council) areas exclusive reserved for parking by handi-cap individuals and to put signs regulating such areas. Mr. Profy stated that an ordinance would have to be authorized.

Mr. Yourtee is to order two "No Dumping" signs and a handi-cap sign.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT – There was no Mayor's report as Mayor Farmer was absent.

7. SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Mr. Profy had no further report.

8. INSPECTOR'S REPORT –No report as Mr. Bush is ill. Mr. McTigue thanked Mr. Peet for filling in for Mr. Bush.

Mr. Profy suggested that a motion be made appointing Mr. Peet as temporary Building Code Enforcement Officer in terms of continuing thirty days and thirty days until thirty days notice of termination from Borough to Mr. Peet. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to appoint Mr. Peet as recommended by Mr. Profy. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Profy stated that an Executive Session would be held at the close of the meeting and no action would be taken at that time.

9. CORRESPONDENCE – no correspondence

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. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to pay all bills as presented and the addition of the contribution of \$100.00 to the Linda Babb Scholarship Fund. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ms. Gimpel and seconded by Mr. Pizzola 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 July 21, 2007; at the present time there is no business for the agenda. Motion was made by Mrs. Cianci and seconded by Ms. Gimpel 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 Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Ms. Gimpel to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday August 7, 2007 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff
Secretary/Treasurer
Langhorne Manor Borough