

**MINUTES  
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MEETING OF AUGUST 7, 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, August 7, 2007, at 8:00 P.M. Eastern Time by William McTigue, President.

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

**PERSONS PRESENT** – 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** – Maryann Barnes, Vice President; Nicholas Pizzola,

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Motion was made by Mrs. Cianci and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to approve the minutes of July 9, 2007 as amended. No objections were presented. Motion carried

**3. POLICE REPORT** – Mayor Farmer gave the police report for the month of July 2007

Mr. McTigue introduced State Representative Chris King. Representative King told Council that he and his office staff are here to help with any state issues that Council may have. Representative King stated that some issues that had been discussed with his assistant earlier in the week pertaining to some PennDot issues, they are the trees that had been left along the woods in the 700 block of Hulmeville Avenue and PennDot said that they would be removed, also the 2,000 feet of guard rail on the Hulmeville Avenue overpass and along Highland Avenue would be replaced.

Mr. Pizzola entered the meeting at 8:07 P.M.

Representative King stated that he had provided copies of a grant book which lists all the state grants available and his office will be available in helping to secure any grant money that maybe available for projects in Langhorne Manor Borough.

It was brought to Representative King's attention the problem with the trees in the 300 block of Hulmeville Avenue and he said that they would look into the problem.

Representative King stated that he would address the access roads with PennDot pertaining to the cost of maintaining them by the Borough.

**3. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS & VISITORS** – Ms. Betty Linington (308 Gillam Avenue) spoke about the Reserved Parking sign that had been requested by Mrs. Mildred Smith (Manor Avenue) for in front of her house. Ms. Linington feels that Council should have more respect for residents who ask for a Reserved Parking sign.

Mr. McTigue stated that there are legal issues involved with granting a Reserved Parking sign.

Ms. Linington stated that the steps to the Borough Hall are supposed to be maintained and they have not been as they are in very bad condition.

Ms. Jane Boyle (308 Gillam Avenues) referred to the advertisement of the ordinance pertaining to the Reserved Parking sign. Mr. Profy stated that the ordinance would be advertised for adoption at the September 4, 2007 Council meeting.

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Mrs. Barnes was absent.

Mr. Badgley reported that he had met with Gloria Hibberd at the Philadelphia Free Library Regional Foundation Center. He spent two hours on their computer reviewing renovation grants awarded in the Philadelphia area by private grantors: HBE, Knight, Kresge, Lenfest, McLean Anneberg, and awards given to schools, libraries, and museums.

Letters were provided as examples of requests for donations to local private companies, example Allstate, Barnes & Noble, Commerce Bank, Lowe's, McDonalds, Rite Aid, Target, and WaWa.

Mr. Badgley also reviewed grants that are available for storm water management. Money is only available for new systems, he could not find any money available for existing systems. He will report on status of historical designation at the September Council meeting.

Mrs. Cianci reported a light out at Hulmeville Avenue and the Access Road on the south side and pole #67 on Pine Street and Langhorne Avenue.

Ms. Gimpel had no report on Shade Tree or Insurance issues.

Ms. Gimpel reported that the Certificates of Deposit were issued and maturity dates are February 2008, April 2008, July 2008, and October 2008 with interest rate of 4.75%. She reported that she had met with State Representative King's representative from his office pertaining to PennDot's issues.

Mr. McTigue reported that a complaint pertaining to recycling and trash had been resolved, and he had no report for the police committee.

Mr. Pizzola had no report pertaining to the budget. He reported that he had replaced a stop sign at Hill and Gillam Avenues which had been stolen; he will be installing the "No Dumping" signs behind the Borough Hall.

Mr. Yourtee reported that he had spoke to John Swenson from Carroll Engineering and they reported that some of the man holes on Hulmeville Avenue would have to be adjusted do to the paving work that was done by Miller & Son Paving.

Mr. Yourtee reported that Mario Canales from Pickering, Corts and Summerson had re-inspected the nine inlets; he reported that eight of them were in good to fair condition. Debris is collecting at the inlet at Highland and Hill Avenues as it has a very shallow box and the pipe is crushed.

Mr. McTigue asked if Langhorne Paving could do the work that is required to the inlet. Mr. Yourtee stated that he would see if they would give a quote for this work. Mrs. Luff stated that a notice had been received showing that Langhorne Paving's workmen compensation policy had been cancelled. Mr. Yourtee stated that he would follow up on the insurance problem.

Mr. Yourtee reported that the inlet at Comly and Hill Avenues was in very bad condition. Mr. Yourtee is to get a quote on the repairs that were recommended by Pickering, Corts and Summerson's report dated July 20, 2007.

Mr. Yourtee spoke on the water problem at Hill and Elm Avenues that was brought to Council's attention at the July Council meeting by Steve Cloak (207 Elm Avenue). Mr. Yourtee is to contact Pickering, Corts and Summerson for their recommendations on correcting this problem.

Mr. Yourtee would like to form a street committee to help put a long term plan into effect for street repairs. Ms. Gimpel said that she would help along with Mr. McTigue. Ms. Gimpel stated that she would like to ask Steve Cloak to serve on the street committee.

Mr. Yourtee reported that one of the MS4 requirements is that all of the storm drains must be marked for no illegal dumping. The choices are stenciling or decals that are applied with adhesive. Pickering, Corts and Summerson identified ninety plus inlets and Mr. Yourtee had a quote for decals—50 to 99-\$3.08 each, 100-500--\$2.45 each and three tubes of adhesive would be needed.

It was suggested that Mr. Yourtee contact Mario Canales to see how other Municipalities have handled the marking of their storm drains.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Cianci to purchase one hundred "No Dumping Drains to Rivers" decals and three tubes of adhesive, not to exceed \$400.00. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Yourtee spoke on a memo from Chief Bumm regarding trees and shrubs that are obstructing drivers view at the corners of Station and Comly Avenues and North and Comly Avenues. The residents at the corner (1003 Station Avenue) have already trimmed their trees. The property at 202 Comly Avenue will have to be addressed as he has not been able to contact anyone at that address. Mayor Farmer said that he had a contact number for that property and he would contact them.

Mr. Peet the acting Building and Zoning Officer will send a letter to the property owner at 202 Comly Avenue advising them of the problems with their trees and shrubs.

**6. MAYOR'S REPORT** – Mayor Farmer referred to the letter a letter received from Langhorne Borough pertaining to our share of the deductible in the amount of \$125.00 for the repair of the speed monitor which is owned jointly by the four Boroughs

7. **SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – Mr. Profy asked for an Executive Session at the close of the meeting.
8. **INSPECTOR'S REPORT** –Mr. Peet gave the Inspector's report for the months of May, June and July 2007.
9. **CORRESPONDENCE** – There was 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. To be added to the bill list the amount of \$ 125.00, our share of the deductible for the repair of the speed sign that is used by the four Boroughs. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to pay all bills as presented 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 Wednesday August 21, 2007; at the present time there is no business for the agenda. Motion was made by Ms. Gimpel and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to dispense with the second meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Council went into an Executive Session at 8:57 P.M. and reconvened at 9:23 P.M.

12. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. McTigue entertained a motion to adjourn this meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Badgley to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:24 P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday September 4, 2007 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Langhorne Manor Borough