

**MINUTES**  
**LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2013**

**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 5, 2013 at 8:00 P.M. Eastern Time by William McTigue, President.

At this point in the meeting, Mrs. Silcox led us in the "Pledge of Allegiance."

**PERSONS PRESENT** – Maryann Barnes Vice President; Sharon Gimpel; William McTigue, President; Patricia Silcox; Steven Yourtee; Loretta M. Luff, Secretary/Treasurer and Thomas J. Profy III, Solicitor; Thomas J. Profy IV, Solicitor.

**PERSON ABSENT** -; Edward Hanisco; Nicholas Pizzola; Robert Byrne, Mayor; James Peet Zoning and Building Inspector;

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to approve the minutes of January 8, 2013 as amended. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

**3. POLICE REPORT** – Mrs. Luff gave the police report for January 2013.

**4. INSPECTOR'S REPORT** – Mrs. Luff gave the Inspector's report for the month of January, 2013.

**5. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND VISITORS** –Mrs. Lois Abbott (803 Hulmeville Avenue) spoke about her home being burglarized in January, she spoke about how she and her husband are watching for anything suspicious in their neighborhood. Mrs. Barnes stated that there had been a town watch in her neighborhood. She stated that there is a program that you follow with meetings with the residents that are interested in participating in the town watch; Mrs. Barnes stated that you would have names, addresses and phone numbers of residents so you could contact them and the police if you were to see something suspicious.

Mr. McTigue introduced Mr. Chuck Raudenbush from Waste Management who was invited by Ms. Gimpel to discuss weekly recycling. Mr. Raudenbush stated that their drivers are also trained to watch and report to the police anything suspicious while they are doing their route.

Mr. Raudenbush discussed the benefits of weekly recycling; he stated that the more the Borough recycles the more money the Borough would receive from the state grant.

Mr. Pizzola stated that he feels that the money the residents have been assessed that is left over from the trash assessment should be used for other Borough needs, like street repairs, not weekly recycling

Ms. Gimpel stated that the money collected from the residents for trash collection can not be used for other projects like repairing our streets, the money can only be used for what it is assessed for and that is trash collection.

Mrs. Silcox would like to see, if the residents would want weekly recycling and she stated that the residents would have to be educated as to what they would be allowed to put out for recycling. She would like to see information be put in a newsletter. Mrs. Silcox stated that she would like to get the information out to the residents and offer them a free recycling container and see what their response would be.

Mr. Yourtee stated that he feels that for the Borough to be environmentally correct, is to recycle on a weekly basis.

Mr. Raudenbush stated that we are one of the only areas that recycle every other week.

Mr. McTigue thanked Mr. Raudenbush for attending the Council meeting.

**6. COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Mrs. Barnes had no report for the Planning Commission. Mrs. Barnes reported that she had attended a meeting for Municipal Leaders. She said that there is a big difference between a recovery house and a group home. A group home is usually run by an organization and a recovery house is a home that anyone can purchase and move people into and the Borough would have no control as to what goes on in that house and also the Borough would not be able to perform inspections in those recovery homes. Mrs. Barnes would like to find out if Langhorne Manor Borough has a renter's ordinance as we have to be specific and have some guide lines pertaining to the different types of homes.

Ms. Gimpel had no report. Ms. Gimpel asked if she could ask the residents on Election Day if they would be interested in recycling every week. Mr. McTigue stated that she could.

Mr. Pizzola stated that they should also know the cost that would be involved.

Ms. Gimpel stated that there would be no increase to the residents as they money had already been budgeted.

Mrs. Silcox stated that she is not comfortable with this being done on Election Day; she would like to see something in the newsletter asking residents if they would like recycling every week or every other week.

Ms. Gimpel stated that to get the residents opinion on recycling every week, she would go door to door.

Mr. Pizzola stated that information for the newsletter could outline single stream, include cost of recycling every week and cost of every other week recycling and what could be done with the \$30,000.00 savings.

Mr. Hanisco reported a light in front of 203 Prospect Avenue, pole # 176 in front of 804 S Pine Street, pole #85 on W. Highland Avenue and fixed the light over the steps of Borough Hall.

Mr. Hanisco asked about changing our street lights to LED lights, he said it would cost about \$695.00 per light and we have 98 street lights in the Borough.

Mrs. Silcox stated that she would see about obtaining grant money for LED street lights.

Mr. McTigue reported that he had received a letter from John Swenson from Carroll Engineering pertaining to the Year 2012 Chapter 94 Tributary Report where the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) requires all Chapter 94 Wasteload Management Reports be submitted by March 31st of the following year. Since the Borough's Sewer System is tributary to the BCW&SA's Neshaminy interceptor it is considered a tributary report and should be completed and submitted to BCW&SA for inclusion in their report about one month before the deadline of March 31<sup>st</sup>. Carroll Engineering expects to complete this work for a fee not to exceed \$2,000.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Hanisco to authorize Carroll Engineering to proceed with the 2012 Chapter 94 Tributary Report with a fee not to exceed \$2,000.00. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. McTigue stated that he had received an invoice from SWERP in the amount of \$11,237.00 for the repair work to the seven manholes. The only one not completed was the one located on Comly Avenue and he would like SWERP'S invoice added to the bill list for payment.

Mr. McTigue referred to a notice from the County of Bucks Department of Emergency Communications pertaining to new radios for the Police Department that will have to be purchased. They are looking to change to the new system in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2014. It is expected that all of the emergency responders will have their equipment ordered and will have taken delivery of them no later than January 2014.

Mr. Pizzola stated that he would like to have the recycling containers cost lowered to \$5.00. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to change the cost of recycling cans to \$5.00. No objections were presented. Motion carried

Mrs. Silcox reported that she had started the newsletter and she would like articles to add to it, she will be putting in recycling information, yard sale dates, and advertise for an Auditor and also put in that there is no street parking from 12 midnight to 6:00 A.M.

Mr. Yourtee reported about an email that he had received from Kenneth Yerges pertaining to the U.S. 1 (Superhighway) Frontage Road Corridor Improvements. This project will include replacing the overpass between Highland and Gillam Avenues. This project is currently scheduled to be put out for bid in mid 2014. Prior to that time and while still in preliminary design phase of the project, a public officials meeting will be held to present the proposed improvements to the municipalities and to solicit comments.

Mr. Yourtee reported that Harvey Spencer had removed a tree that had fallen in the access lane of Route 1

Mr. Yourtee reported that he and Mr. McTigue had attended the Eagle Scout program for Tyler Plunkett, who for his Eagle Scout Badge did an inventory of all of Langhorne Manor Borough street signs. Tyler was presented with a Tyler Plunkett Boulevard Street sign from Langhorne Manor Borough.

Mr. McTigue will provide a proclamation that all Council members can sign and have it presented to Tyler Plunket.

7. **MAYOR'S REPORT** – Mayor Byrne was absent.
8. **SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – There was no Solicitor's report.
9. **CORRESPONDENCE** –There was no correspondence.
10. **APPROVAL OF BILLS & TREASURER'S REPORT FOR PAYMENT** – Mr. McTigue stated that all Council members have received a copy of the bill list for payment. He asked if there are any questions or discussions. A check in the amount of \$11,237.00 made out to SWERT for manhole repairs was added to the bill list for payment. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to pay the bills as amended and presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Mr. McTigue stated that all Council members have received a copy of the Treasurer's report for December 2012 and asked if anyone has any comments. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Hanisco to accept the Treasurer's Report for December 2012 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Motion was made by Mr. Yourtee and seconded by Mr. Hanisco to approve the Treasurer's report for January 2013 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried...
11. **SECOND MEETING** – Mr. McTigue stated that a second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 19, 2013; at the present time there is no business for the agenda. Motion was made by Mrs. Silcox 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. Yourtee and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:33 P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday March 5, 2013 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Langhorne Manor Borough