

MINUTES
LANGHORNE MANOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING OF January 6, 2015

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, January 6, 2015 at 8:00 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 – Maryann Barnes Vice President; Edward Hanisco; William McTigue, President; Patricia Silcox; Steven Yourtee; Robert Byrne, Mayor; Loretta M. Luff, Secretary/Treasurer and Thomas J. Profy III, Solicitor.
Silcox

PERSON ABSENT – Sharon Gimpel; Nicholas Pizzola; 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 December 2, 2014 as amended. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

3. POLICE REPORT – Mayor Byrne gave the police report for December 2014.

Mr. Pizzola entered the meeting at 8:05 P.M.

Mayor Byrne gave the year end police report for 2014.

Mayor Byrne spoke about finding some more of the bags containing blue powder again under the overpass on the Access Road. After a discussion, Mr. McTigue stated that some type of chemical testing should be done to the bags of blue powder.

4. INSPECTOR’S REPORT – There was no Inspector’s report for the month of December, 2014.

5. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND VISITORS –Mr. Joe Cimino from Besco Corporation addressed the final payment that is owed to his company for the renovation project that his company did at the Borough Hall and Borough Office.

Mr. Profy stated that payment application #1 has been recommended for approval by the RDA. Prior to two weeks ago, Mr. Profy was told that the payment was in process and hopefully by the end of the year payment would be made, Mr. Profy had checked today and there was no action on it as of yet. Mr. Profy stated that he understands the issue that Mr. Cimino has addressed and Mr. Profy recommended that Council not respond to it at this time, and there is also, still the prevailing wage issue.

Mr. Cimino stated that he sees no reason not to be paid for the work that had been completed.

Mr. Cimino also asked to be removed from future bidding lists.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS – Mrs. Barnes had no report for the Planning Commission.

Mrs. Barnes stated that Langhorne Manor Borough would be celebrating their 125th anniversary this year. After a discussion about the 100th anniversary celebration it was decided to form a committee to plan a 125th anniversary celebration. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to form a committee. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Ms. Gimpel was absent.

Mr. McTigue acknowledged the passing of Gary Mucklow, Ms. Gimpel's husband, who was serving on the Zoning Hearing Board and Mr. McTigue spoke about all of the work he had done for Langhorne Manor Borough.

Mr. Hanisco reported two lights had been repaired, one in front of 607 Hulmeville Avenue and one in front of 217 Hulmeville Avenue.

Mr. McTigue reviewed the appointments, the changes are:

Planning Commission-5 year term-Frederick Tomlinson from 2014 to 2019-Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to reappoint Mr. Tomlinson till 2019. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Zoning Hearing Board- 3 year term-Bob McBeth from 2014 to 2017. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to reappoint Mr. McBeth till 2017. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Higher Education and Health Authority-5 year term-Paul Cichy whose term would expire in 2017 is being replaced by David Badgley who will serve Mr. Cichy's term till 2017. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Pizzola to replace Mr. Cichy's position with Mr. Badgley. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to reappoint Mr. McTigue till 2019 On the Higher Education Authority. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Hanisco and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to reappoint Mr. Profy, representing Begley Carlin & Mandio. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mr. Hanisco to reappoint the Borough Engineers Pickering Corts & Smmerson. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Winters Best-No action was taken as Council is waiting for their proposal.

Vacancy Board- Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded By Mr. Hanisco to reappoint John Gibbons. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. McTigue addressed the possibility of weekly recycling. Mr. McTigue had contacted Waste Management and they said that an additional cost would be \$3.75 per unit per month and they could amend the existing contract. They would need at least two weeks to set up the new schedule to accommodate weekly recycling. Mr. McTigue also reported that the cost for 65 gallon recycling containers would cost \$40.00 each and Waste Management recommended doing the containers when the new contract is up for bid.

Mr. Yourtee asked about reducing the sewer rate. Mr. McTigue stated that he would look into it.

Mr. McTigue referred to a letter from Doylestown Township referring to ordinance #331 which prohibits smoking and use of tobacco, lighted pipe, cigar, cigarette or other lighted smoking apparatus or the use of smokeless tobacco in public places, parks, trails and open space. They want others to consider an ordinance and request the County to consider adopting a similar ordinance for County parks. No action was taken.

Mr. McTigue referred to the Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority maintenance program. Mrs. Luff is to check on the rate that they will charge for the Borough buildings.

Mr. Pizzola reported that Hotham Paving and Sealcoating started the pot hole repair project on the Access Road. They are using the police car for traffic control when they are doing the work. PennDot said that using the police car would be adequate; he had spoken to Cal Morrison.

Mrs. Silcox had no report

Mr. Yourtee had no report

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

8. SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Mr. Profy reported that he is waiting for the RACP grant.

Mr. Profy stated that, as he was authorized at the Executive Session at the December Council meeting, to work on getting the stipulation for the Linda Bradley Zoning Hearing Board appeal.

Mr. Profy reported on the Floodplain Ordinance required to be adopted by the Borough in order to continue participation in the Flood Insurance Program of the Federal Emergency Management Administration. Ordinance to be adopted by the Borough is basically the same as the Flood Plain Ordinance adopted on March 22, 1999, with the additions-modifications that the

President of Borough Council will be the Flood Plain Administrator in the absence of the Building Permit Officer, and that the Zoning Hearing Board of LMB, and not the Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County, will be the venue for an appeal from an action or decision of the Flood Plain Administrator.

Motion was made by Mr. Hanisco and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to approve the attached Flood Plain Ordinance No. 2015-001. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

Mr. McTigue referred to the Route 1 Improvement Project with PennDot, he referred to the meeting in September 2014 with PennDot where they stated that by December they would have their engineers consider the ideas that residents have pertaining to the changes to the Access Roads like enhancing traffic safety by reducing speed and also the possibility of the 413 interchange. PennDot now reports that sometime in the spring they will address the ideas and concerns of the residents.

9. CORRESPONDENCE –Mrs. Luff had no correspondence

10. APPROVAL OF BILLS & TREASURER’S REPORT FOR PAYMENT – 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. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Hanisco to pay the bills as 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 2014 and asked if anyone has any comments. Motion was made by Mr. Pizzola and seconded by Mrs. Silcox to accept the Treasurer’s Report for December 2014 as presented. No objections were presented. Motion carried.

11. SECOND MEETING – Mr. McTigue stated that a second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 20, 2015; at the present time there is no business for the agenda. Motion was made by Mrs. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Yourtee 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. Silcox and seconded by Mr. Yourtee to adjourn this meeting. No objections were presented. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

The next meeting will be Tuesday February 3, 2015 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta M. Luff
Secretary/Treasurer
Langhorne Manor Borough