

## Langhorne Borough Council Work Session

May 25, 2023

A work session of Langhorne Borough Council was held in person in Council Chambers on Thursday, May 25, 2023. Councilperson Haldeman called the session to order at 7:05 p.m. and invited those in attendance to pledge allegiance to the Flag.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Councilpersons Tony Marfia, Nancy Culleton, Kathleen Horwatt, and Scott Haldeman; Manager Steve Bradshaw; Clerk Mary Zimmerman.

**ABSENT:** President Paul Murdock, Vice President Rich Mason, and Councilperson Kristen Farry.

### **ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION:**

**AN UPDATE ON THE WOODS/TOLL BROS. DEVELOPMENT:** Planning Commission Chair Paul Schneider reported on the most recent design aspects of the Woods /Toll Project.

- Houses are facing the street.
- Driveways are backloaded from alleys.
- As many trees were protected as possible.
- 28 units plus the three historic homes.

**RECREATIONAL BOARD:** Councilperson Horwatt shared updates on events and projects.

- The Cub Scouts might want to hold a movie night at the playground. Rec Board is planning on submitting the Event Permit Application for July.
- A potential Eagle Scout would like to do a project cleaning the Storm Water basin at the Methodist Church. He will come before Council in June.

**STORMWATER ORDINANCE AMENDMENT DISCUSSION:** Councilperson Horwatt mentioned Vice President Mason, Chair of EAC, was working on meeting the set requirements.

**ZONING APPLICATION FOR 118 E. MAPLE AVE:** Council discussed whether Mr. Brockwell needed to go before the Zoning Hearing Board for a change from Commercial Use to Mixed Use. It was noted that he has been very tolerant with the Borough roof contractors using his property beyond what was originally agreed upon.

### **ACTION:**

Reach out to the Borough Solicitor for specific advice.

### **MANAGER'S BRIEF:**

- Manager Bradshaw asked Council to approve the Garden Club's sign to hang at Mayors Playground.
- The Manager had received several complaints from residents about problems related to neighbors. He explained that the Solicitor had confirmed that addressing disputes between residents is not within the Borough's power. Disputes that cannot be resolved should be referred to civil court. Zoning disputes should be referred to the Zoning Officer.
- Tree trimming for the Mayor's Playground is scheduled for June 9<sup>th</sup> by Transue Tree Service.

- The Police Department notified residents of the street sweeping on Thursday morning. Social media posts were made about details for the parade.
- Barricades are here for the Memorial Day Parade. They will be pre-staged on Friday and the LBPD will place them Monday morning.
- Insurance renewal is almost completed.
- The New flagpole will be finished.
- The latest Public Works hire did not work out. The Borough is still in need of a Public Works person. The Borough does have a temporary replacement.
- The office will be closed Monday, June 5, through Wednesday, June 7, due to staff attendance at the PSAB conference. Staff will be available via email for emergencies and back to normal office hours June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**LIGHT POLE REPAIR:** There was a discussion on releasing funds for the repair to a decorative light pole in front of 311 W. Maple Ave. Armour and Sons gave an estimate of \$1500. It is not clear whether the whole pole needs replacement or just a repair.

**ACTION:**

Reach out to Armour and Sons to find out the complete details of what is not functioning.

**THE FIRE SIREN:**

Council decided to postpone further discussion of the fire siren for six months.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no other business, on motion of Councilperson Culleton, seconded by Councilperson Horwatt, the meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Bradshaw, Secretary

**Next Work Session: June 29, 2023 at 7 PM**