

**Minutes**  
**Throop Borough Council**  
**Monday, February 27th, 2012**  
**Work Session/Monthly Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

*“God Bless Our Troops and the Coalition”*

**ROLL CALL:**

**Members of Council:**

James Barnick, **Vice President** - P

Charlene Tomasovitch - P

Thomas Lukasewicz, **President** - P

Anthony Gangemi - P

David Repchick - P

John Musewicz - P

Neil Furiosi - P

**Solicitor** - Louis A. Cimini - P

**Mayor** - Stanley Lukowski - A

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P

Secretary - Renee O’Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer -Robin Galli - P

**Announcements:**

\* An executive session was held this evening at 6:00 p.m. to discuss legal and personnel matters.

\* Memorial Veterinary Hospital of Throop - Ribbon Cutting on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. light refreshments will be served.

**Work Session/Meeting Schedule:**

\* The March mid-month work session/meeting will be held Monday, Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

\* The March monthly work session /meeting will be held Monday, Mar. 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.





<b>Fund Statement Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$6,385,191.30</b>
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<b>LOANS (final payment due May 2012)</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Sunny Day Fund (Fidelity Bank 1.20%)	<b>\$51,165.27</b>

**On the Question:**

**Barnick: That 931 is accessible right away right?**

**Robin Galli: It's 731 this is at the end of January.**

**Barnick: Hold 400 in there.**

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

6. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Barnick

To adopt Throop Borough Resolution # 2 of 2012, a resolution of the Borough of Throop, County of Lackawanna, State of Pennsylvania, granting the Fire Companies authorization to participate in non-emergent activities.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

7. Motion by Barnick

Seconded by Gangemi

To ratify the transfer of \$200,000.00 on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012 from the General Fund Money Market to the General Fund Checking at Fidelity.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

8. Motion by Barnick

Seconded by Repchick

To adopt Ordinance # 1 of 2012, adopting and amending a motion made at a Throop Borough Council meeting on December 27, 1958 to increase the tax rate to one percent (1%) on salaries, wages, commissions, compensation, net profit and other revenues received or earned within Throop Borough by non-residents.

**On the Question:**

**Barnick: Non Residents whose Borough's do not have a tax.**

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**9. Motion by Barnick**

**Seconded by Repchick**

To reimburse Antonio Russo \$50.25 for the cost of clearances needed for Civic Center employment.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**10. Motion by Barnick**

**Seconded by Repchick**

To reimburse Aleysia Kroptavich \$50.25 for the cost of clearances needed for Civic Center employment.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**11. Motion by Barnick**

**Seconded by Repchick**

To re-appoint William Shevchik for maintenance of Washington Street Park Ballfield at \$500.00 a month (approximately 6 months at \$115.69 per week).

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**A discussion took place regarding a motion Authorizing Attorney Cimini to bid on the Haverly Street Judicial Tax Sales. We are owed \$3700.**

**12. Motion by Furiosi**

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To approve settlement with Jerry Ganz, Inc. ("Ganz") to settle and end all further litigation, disputes, expenses or controversies between the Borough of Throop and Ganz relating to the construction of the DPW complex pursuant to the following terms: (A) Payment to Ganz of the total sum of \$400,000, payable as follows: 1. The sums currently held by Throop as contract retainage (\$199,501.50), plus all interest accumulated thereon, shall be paid to Ganz on or before the close of business on Friday, March 2, 2012; 2. Payment of the remaining balance, bringing the total settlement payment to \$400,000, shall be paid to Ganz on or before the close of business on March 31, 2012. (B) The parties shall execute the appropriate agreements and releases to effectuate this agreement.

On the Question:

Barnick: This was a failure to the legal system and to the Borough especially when they awarded us \$65,000.00 judgement to fix the roof and now they are not going to do anything.

**All in favor**

(Barnick noted that he did not want to vote for it but it is in the best interest of the Borough & Repchick agreed)

**Motion carried**

**13. Motion by Repchick**

**Seconded by Barnick**

To authorize the repair of the Basketball Backboard and additional materials that need to be fixed at the Civic Center and the Inspection totaling \$2200.00.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**14. Motion by Barnick**

**Seconded by Repchick**

To adopt Resolution # 7 of 2012 re appointing Jonathan Musewicz to the Planning Commission for a four year term.

**All in favor except  
Museicz abstained**

**Motion carried**

15.           **Motion by Tomasovitch**

**Seconded by Barnick**

To authorize Attorney Louis Cimini, Borough Solicitor to act on behalf of Throop Borough for Haverly Street and Goodman Street properties at the Judicial Tax Sale.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

A discussion took place regarding a motion to transfer money from the Money Market Account to the General Fund. Decided it would be ratified.

There were no audience comments.

Minutes by Renee O'Malley  
Borough Secretary