

**Minutes  
Throop Borough Council  
Monday, April 30th, 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 - A**

Charlene Tomasovitch - P

Thomas Lukasewicz, **President - P**

Anthony Gangemi - P

David Repchick - A

John Musewicz - P

Neil Furiosi - A

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

**Mayor** - Stanley Lukowski - P

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P

Secretary - Renee O’Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer -Robin Galli - P

**Announcements:**

**Lukasewicz read resignation letter from Vice President/Councilman James A. Barnick. Lukasewicz added that he was a strong component of the Borough of Throop and there were a lot of things he fought for in the 14 plus years that benefitted the citizens of Throop.**

**Also stated that he hates to see this happen, it saddens him and he is not happy with it.**

**Bob Lokuta, Zoning Officer: Do you have to accept it tonight?**

**Lukasewicz: He wants it accepted. He thinks everything out.**

**Work Session/Meeting Schedule:**

\* The May mid-month work session/meeting will be held Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

\* The May monthly work session /meeting will be held Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.



## Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports

### 3. Motion by Gangemi

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To accept the treasurers' monthly reports as posted and to pay the monthly bills against the borough as posted and/or printed on the agenda..

Unpaid bills: "Items for Payment"	<b>\$64,293.07</b>
Paid bills:	<b>\$86,394.16</b>
General Fund Revenue Report	<b>\$664,033.59</b>
Civic Center Revenue Report	<b>\$12,892.67</b>

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

### 4. Motion by Tomasovitch

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

**All in favor  
except Gangemi & Musewicz  
abstained on daughters**

**Motion carried**

### 5. Motion by Gangemi

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**6. Motion by Gangemi**

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To accept the Fund Statement, Budgeted Revenue & Expense Statement and Loan Balance as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012 as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

<b>Fund Balances:</b>	
General Fund Checking Account ( <b>Fidelity</b> )	<b>\$54,570.52</b>
General Fund Performance Money Market ( <b>Fidelity</b> )	<b>\$157,586.69</b>
Civic Center Account ( <b>Fidelity</b> )	<b>\$303.41</b>
General Fund Petty Cash	<b>\$300.00</b>
Payroll Checking Account ( <b>Fidelity</b> )	<b>\$25,147.53</b>
Sunny Day Fund MMKT Ck Acct ( <b>Fidelity Bank</b> )	<b>\$5,278,208.84</b>
Sunny Day Fund CD's	<b>\$80,559.17</b>
Liquid Fuels Account ( <b>Fidelity</b> )	<b>\$87,154.85</b>
Turnback Program ( <b>Fidelity</b> )	<b>\$75,405.60</b>
<b>Fund Statement Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$5,759,236.61</b>

<b>LOANS</b> (final payment due May 2012)	<b>Balance</b>
Sunny Day Fund (Fidelity Bank 1.20%)	<b>\$51,165.27</b>

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**7. Motion by Tomasovitch**

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To ratify the transfer of \$50,000.00 on April 13<sup>th</sup> and \$50,000.00 on April 24<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 Gangemi Seconded by Musewicz**

To deposit \$54,331.52 in the Sunny Day Fund MMKT checking account at Fidelity Bank. This represents 10% of the Host Municipal Landfill Fee check received April, 2012.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**9. Motion by Gangemi Seconded by Musewicz**

To re-appoint David F. Garvey, P.E. as Sewage Enforcement Officer for the next twelve months (4/1/12 to 3/31/13). The annual retainage is \$550.00.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**10. Motion by Tomasovitch Seconded by Gangemi**

To donate \$100.00 to the Mid Valley Spartans Touchdown Club for their annual Golf Tournament.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**11. Motion by Musewicz Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To have Attorney Cimini review the Disability Leave or Absence Policy prepared by Benecon Insurance Group based on information provided from development questionnaire as Throop Borough Employees Leave of Absence Policy.

On the question:

Gangemi: Did we see this?

Robin Galli: It is in the packet tonight.

Lukasewicz: To have Attorney Cimini review it.

**12. Motion by Tomasovitch Seconded by Musewicz**

To switch the boroughs cell phone coverage from Sprint/Nextel to Verizon Wireless and



Lukasewicz discussed that the 109<sup>th</sup> armory is going to be deployed to Afghanistan in October/November.

Rose Kaminski added that she believes it is in February.

Lukasewicz: Wants to have a send off for them on the day they are leaving and when they are returning home.

Mayor Lukowski said that he will go there to find out when they are leaving.

Musewicz talked about the scoreboard for Washington Street park and going with a remote option instead of hard wiring it.

Lukasewicz put a motion on. Any audience comments on this motion?

Tomasovitch asked if the school pays us any money for using the Washington Street field.

Lukasewicz: No

Lenore Dolan: They just ask permission to use it.

**17. Motion by Gangemi**

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To authorize the installation of the scoreboard at the Washington Street Park Ballfield as discussed between Robert Kalinoski, John Musewicz and William Shevchik and with the protocol that was established between those three and the cost that was given to us by Robert Kalinoski prior.

A discussion took place regarding the advertising on the scoreboard along with the price. Probably about \$9,000.00 - \$10,000.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

Musewicz asked if could have Robert check with Jack about the motion that was passed in September about the status of the master plan Little League park

Lukasewicz: Check with Jack on the status of the master plan of the Little League park alterations and construction. Also mentioned the master plan of the 48 acres. Once the access road goes in we can go up there and see what we have and come up with some ideas.

Lukasewicz discussed summer help for the DPW and Civic Center.

**18. Motion by Tomasovitch**

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To hire five youth of the community (AJ Gangemi, Matthew Tanner, Tyler Fiume, Joshua Tanner and Todd Williams) for a period of approximately 10 - 12 weeks at \$8.00/hour for DPW or Civic Center summer help as needed.

**All in favor except  
Gangemi abstains on his son**

**Motion carried**

**Lenore Dolan: Questioned when depositing more than 10% into the Sunnyday account?  
Lukasewicz: Waiting to see what amount comes in.**

**Lenore Dolan: Shouldn't we have our new Representative come in.**

**Lukasewicz: Have to wait until January when he is in. He isn't a Representative yet.**

**Dolan: Important to get an office here.**

**Lukasewicz: Murphy was always here for us. And before him Frank Shimkus was for us.**

**Dolan added that Shimkus did a lot for us with getting grants.**

**A brief discussion took place regarding the new representative.**

**Discussion took place regarding part time employees working over 32 hours.**

**Lukasewicz responded that as long as it is only very occasional they can work over 32 hours.**

**Attorney Cimini: Without developing a pattern.**

**Lukasewicz: If you run into a problem contact himself and Attorney Cimini so can keep a log of it.**

**Gangemi added that Attorney Cimini suggested a policy and or a Resolution which would cover us at the police station too.**

**Trudy Delawder, 10 Memorial Dr. Apt. E: Questioned if Senator Blake was working for us.**

**Lukasewicz: He is a very busy man.**

**Michelle Newberry, Lackawanna County Community Representative: Dropped off a packet of upcoming County events, spoke of a county auction and the county will pay for the advertising and set up. Children & Youth seeking donations (pick up and drop off arranged), 2012 Armed Forces Day Parade, Tobyhanna is having an open house, 2012 Riverfest and bike Tour, Trolley museum opening. Asked is anyone had questions and she also encouraged anyone to call within the month if they had any questions.**

**Also gave information on recycling electronics to the Recycling Center.**

**The meeting was adjourned.**

**Minutes by Renee O'Malley  
Borough Secretary**