

**Minutes**  
**Throop Borough Council**  
**Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**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:**

Mark Mazak - A

Charlene Tomasovitch - P

Thomas Lukasewicz, **President - P**

Anthony Gangemi, **Vice President - P**

David Repchick - A

John Musewicz - P

Neil Furiosi - A

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

**Mayor** - Wayne Williams - P

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P

Secretary - Rence O'Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer -Robin Galli - P

**Announcements:**

**Work Session/Meetings:**

\* The Feb mid month work session/meeting will be held Monday, Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:00p.m.

\* The Feb monthly work session/meeting will be held Monday, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

**Audience comments on tonight's agenda:**

Dave Karr, 640 Meade St.: Questioned if people are aware that you cannot throw snow into the street.

Lukasewicz asked to have the snow removal information in the advantage and on the website.

Karr: Absentee landlords that don't shovel the sidewalks. You have to walk on the street.

Lukasewicz asked that Bob Lokuta do what he needs to with that.

**1. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To accept the monthly zoning reports and the minutes of the Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and Jan 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 council meetings.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports**

**2. Motion by Musewicz** **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

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"	\$97,698.47
Paid bills:	\$108,120.06
General Fund Revenue Report (includes transfers from GF MMKT TO GF CK)	\$1,287,155.97
Civic Center Revenue Report	\$10,911.16

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**3. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Musewicz**

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

**All in favor except Tomasovitch,  
Gangemi & Musewicz abstain  
on family** **Motion carried**

**4. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Musewicz**

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**5. Motion by Tomasovitch**

**Seconded by Gangemi**

To accept the Fund Statement, Budgeted Revenue & Expense Statement as of **Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014** as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

<b>Fund Balances:</b>	
General Fund Checking Account	<b>\$47,863.05</b>
General Fund Performance Money Market	<b>\$1,146,729.14</b>
Civic Center Account	<b>\$314.16</b>
General Fund Petty Cash	<b>\$300.00</b>
Payroll Checking Account	<b>\$22,023.11</b>
Sunny Day Fund MMKT Ck Acct	<b>\$2,362,272.78</b>
Sunny Day Fund CD's	<b>\$4,092,843.57</b>
Liquid Fuels Account	<b>\$91,101.10</b>
<b>Fund Statement Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$7,763,446.91</b>

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**6. Motion by Musewicz**

**Seconded by Gangemi**

To adopt Resolution #1 of 2015, a resolution to apply to the County of Lackawanna for a County Re-Invest grant for the Throop Little League girls softball field.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**7. Motion by Musewicz**

**Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To adopt Resolution # 2 of 2015, a resolution authorizing the reappointment of Bette Goreschak as a member of the Throop Borough Planning Agency for a four-year term expiring on January 26, 2019.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**8. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Musewicz**

To adopt Resolution # 3 of 2015, a resolution authorizing the reappointment of Rose Kaminski as a member of the Throop Borough Planning Agency for a four-year term expiring on January 26, 2019.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**9. Motion by Tomasovitch** **Seconded by Musewicz**

To adopt Resolution # 4 of 2015, a resolution authorizing the reappointment of Richard Burdyn as a member of the Throop Borough Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term expiring on January 26, 2018.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

Discussion took place regarding their meetings.  
Lukasewicz asked that next meeting make a motion that they have to have monthly meetings.

**10. Motion by Tomasovitch** **Seconded by Musewicz**

To donate \$1000.00 to Griffin Pond Animal Shelter.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**11. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To accept the proposal from Bonita & Rainey, Certified Public Accountants for the 2014 Annual Audit not exceed \$5,500.00 plus an additional \$850.00 to include the audit of the pension plans.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**12. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To deposit \$99,602.45 in the Sunny Day Fund MMKT checking account at Fidelity Bank. This represents 10% of the Host Municipal Landfill Fee check received Jan. 2015.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**13. Motion by Musewicz**

**Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To reimburse Mary Ruth Tanner & Ann Marie Stoffey in the amount of \$10.00 each for Child Abuse Clearance.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**14. Motion by Tomasovitch**

**Seconded by Musewicz**

To allow Holy Cross High School Baseball Team to use the Washington Street Park ballfield for the 2015 spring season with Jim Caria doing the scheduling.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

Lukasewicz spoke of article he read regarding John Blake committee increasing the host municipality landfill fee. The state will be doing it. Would like a motion next meeting to send him a letter asking for his support on that.

Gangemi questioned an email from PSAB about opposing tax exempt properties. Attorney Cimini will look into it.

Lenore Dolan added that it was in the paper that the landfill is giving free tours if anyone is interested.

**Audience Comments:**

Joe Tropiak, Phillips St.: Asked if the person is going to present here regarding the landfill report.

Lukasewicz: There will be a report done on behalf of Throop and Dunmore in regards to the landfill & expansion of landfill and if it is safe for the environment.

Tropiak: Should be able to review prior so we can have questions ready. Will we get a copy of it.

Lukasewicz: once it gets councils approval it is public.

Tropiak asked if they can ask questions too.

Gangemi: we have to get it on the 6<sup>th</sup>, read it, get a copy for the people so they can have read it by the 16th.

Dave Karr, 640 Meade St.: questioned 48 acres and grant money for walking trails/dog park.

Lukasewicz: have to get master plan in place and re-submit to state.

Gangemi added that the grant info in packet from PAWC could've been used for 48 acres but not in that position yet.

Karr spoke of the fire on blvd ave and questioned if the owner doesn't have insurance, Act 93, 50% escrow, what happens there?

Lukasewicz added that he is sure Mr. Lokuta will look at it from every avenue that he has too.

Andy Hegedus added that he will get in touch with Bob tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned

Minutes by Renee O'Malley  
Borough Secretary