

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday, February 9th, 2015
Special Work Session/Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

“God Bless Our Troops and the Coalition”

ROLL CALL:

Members of Council:

Mark Mazak - P

Charlene Tomasovitch - P

Thomas Lukasewicz, **President - P**

Anthony Gangemi, **Vice President - P**

David Repchick - P

John Musewicz - P

Neil Furiosi - A

Solicitor - Louis A. Cimini - A (Left)

Mayor - Wayne Williams - P

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P

Secretary - Renee O’Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Robin Galli - P

Announcements:

Work Session/Meeting Schedule:

* The February monthly work session/meeting will be held Monday, February 23rd, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

* The March mid month work session/meeting will be held Monday, March 9th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

* The March monthly work session/meeting will be held Monday, March 30th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Audience comments on tonight’s agenda:

Joe Tropiak, Phillips St.: Glad to hear that the Church won’t be torn down. Questioned if a motion will be put on to consider saying that you are going to make use of the Church in a way that is beneficial to the town.

Lukasewicz responded that is why going to bring in some architects to show what can do to bring up to codes and give ideas. There is going to be a motion so it doesn’t get lost.

Tropiak added that the Church has been there all while he was growing up. It represents the town.

Lukasewicz added that it is a great building and going to use it.

Tropiak: He and Tully scraping cars coming out of driveways. He had to rip out an area of Joe's driveway and Tome Tully's to straighten it out. Had to come out 12-18 inches and the street is less wide. Maybe someone can look at it.

Lukasewicz added that he will look at it.

Tropiak questioned who the State Representative is.

Lukasewicz: Frank Farina

Dave Karr, Meade St.: To the right of my house was the synagogue. Mar Mazak you mentioned the Church and Senior citizens. Why not make it a senior center. Have a kitchen there. Used to run spaghetti dinners so you can provide meals to seniors.

Karr: Snow in streets; Center street was walking and someone threw snow in road. Also spoke of parking on Green St and if emergency can't get cars threw.

Tomasovitch added that if she tells bouncer he makes them move the cars.

Karr: They also park by the stop sign.

Tropiak: Questioned the DEP Meeting.

Lukasewicz: It will be Wednesday, February 25 at Dunmore High School from 6-10. The actual hearing will be in Throop.

Jim Barnick, Adams Ct.: Questioned the meeting and what is going on with the expansion. Throop should be notifying all the residents and what is going on here. Values will go down if it goes up 220 ft.

Repchick: Everything is being done and in writing and going to the Attorneys.

Barnick questioned if we are having a meeting here.

Repchick we are splitting. The meeting is there and the hearing is here.

All talking at once.

Barnick: I am talking about the time line and what's going on with the expansion. Asking for Throop to have its own meeting.

Lukasewicz: The public hearing will be in Throop. A record will be kept and a stenographer. At the meeting on the 25th is from Keystone to give their description (proposing) and the DEP to tell what they will do and any questions will have can be asked that night.

Barnick: Bodner is giving a separate report? And wont be at the meeting?

Gangemi added that they will be at meeting but not speaking.

Barnick questioned if it has gone into planning yet. It is a land development. It is an application and should have gone into planning already. There is erosion, sedimentation the conservation district has to look at this.

Conversation took place regarding the UGI plant at top of Marshwood Rd. and if a permit was needed.

Barnick: Sidewalks on Oleckna Street - remember it is a state road and if you are doing eminent domain the state may have to do it. Still have a right away down there.

Gangemi added the width of the road.

Barnick: He still owes us \$17,000.00 in fees from the development.

Mazak added that it also said that it had to be developed in "x" amount of years.

Dave Karr: Questioned if the planning commission is meeting yet.

Lukasewicz: They should meet once a month and talk about the borough and these concerns that people have. Put motion on that it is mandatory that the planning commission meet once per month for the betterment of the borough of Throop.

Mazak questioned if the footprint was changed in 1999.

Barnick: only a contract was made. The footprint was changed in 96-97. That was phase II.

Mazak: Did it go before the commission then?

Barnick: Yes.

Mazak: The foot print was changed in 96.

Barnick: 97.

Lukasewicz asked that it be looked for. The landfill expansion should go before planning commission. They need approvals.

Barnick: why is DEP not asking for approvals from Throop, storm water runoff - everything.

Dave Karr: What are the responsibilities of the Planning Commission?

Lukasewicz: not sure. Planning commission should review, approve or disapprove any earth disturbance improvement in the Borough. Any expansion or any change in plans.

Tomasovitch asked that it be found for the next meeting.

1. Motion by Tomasovitch

Seconded by Mazak

To reimburse the following Civic Center employees for clearances needed for employment, \$10.00 reimbursed to Carol Kaushas, Matthew Tanner, Kim O'Connor and Aubrey Owens, and \$20.00 reimbursed to Kim Rybnick.

All in favor

Motion carried

2. Motion by

Seconded by

To adopt the 2015 Emergency Operations Plan for Throop Borough under Resolution # 5 of 2015.

Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To table Motion # 2 until get a legal review from the Solicitor.

All in favor

Motion carried

3. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Mazak**

To have Robert Kalinoski prepare specs and put out to bid demolition of Rectory.

All in favor **Motion carried**

4. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Gangemi**

To purchase 3 rifles for the police department.

On the question:

Tomasovitch question why cannot purchase 4.

All in favor **Motion carried**

5. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

Authorize Keith Jones to execute agreement between PA Ambulance and Throop Police Department pending Attorney Cimini's favorable review.

All in favor **Motion carried**

6. Motion by Mazak **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To authorize the crack sealing project of 2015 at approximately \$10,000.00.

All in favor **Motion carried**

7. Motion by Tomasovitch **Seconded by Gangemi**

To have Robert Kalinoski coordinate with Rite Temp to evaluate and make a proposal on the condensation situation at the DPW Complex.

All in favor **Motion carried**

8. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Mazak**

To authorize the purchase of a sewer camera and trailer at approximately \$75,000.00.

All in favor **Motion carried**

- 9. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To authorize Attorney Cimini to do title research on land adjacent to Little League field (old railroad bed).

All in favor **Motion carried**

- 10. Motion by Mazak** **Seconded by Gangemi**

To send a letter to Representative Frank Farina's office requesting a satellite office at the Throop Borough Building as we have had in the past for the needs of the citizens of Throop.

All in favor **Motion carried**

Tomasovitch added that meanwhile she will come to help any residents with the PA 1000's.

- 11. Motion by Repchick** **Second by Mazak**

To close out CD at FNCB and open a CD at Fidelity Bank.

All in favor **Motion carried**

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

To advertise in the Scranton Times and Advantage to call the Borough Building to set up appointments for help with property tax and rent rebates.

All in favor **Motion carried**

- 13. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Repchick**

To accept the proposal from Simplex for the Civic Center at a cost of \$1541.29.

All in favor **Motion carried**

Discussion took place regarding having architects come up with a plan for St John's Church and the process to do so. Will discuss further the first meeting in March. Also see what Roberts thoughts are and have him put in writing for next meeting.

14. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Tomasovitch

Mandatory that the Planning Commission meets 1x/month for best interest of the Borough & send a letter.

All in favor

Motion carried

15. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Repchick

To authorize Attorney Cimini to review and recommend to Council what needs to be done with Planning and Zoning in regards to the Keystone Sanitary Landfill expansion.

All in favor

Motion carried

Audience Comments:

Barnick added that there should be a filing fee for application for planning and zoning. No different than anyone else.

Lukasewicz added just like anyone else.

Gangemi requested to find out what did in the 90's.

All talking at once.

16. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Repchick

To authorize Attorney Cimini to review and recommend to Council what needs to be done in regards to the planning commission and zoning on behalf of the Borough of Throop in regards to the expansion of the Keystone landfill with their new permit application.

All in favor

Motion carried

Audience Comments:

Vince Tanana, 3 Maple St.: questioned if Maple street could be paved. Hasn't been done since 1998. Cuts are starting to cave in.

Lukasewicz asked Robin to let Robert Kalinoski know that there was a citizen here on behalf of the citizens on Maple St and they are requesting that their street be incorporated into the paving project for 2015. Robert will look at it and it is his choice.

Barnick; Rinaldi property; he was dedicating 12 feet all the way down to the Borough with that development down there and the corner. It says on the agreement.

Lukasewicz requested the original agreement.

The meeting was adjourned.

Meeting minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary