

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday, May 19th, 2016
Special Work Session/Meeting 7:00 p.m.**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

“God Bless Our Troops and the Coalition”

ROLL CALL:

Members of Council:

Richard Kucharski - P

Mark Mazak - P

Thomas Lukasewicz, **President - P**

Charlene Tomasovitch - P

David Repchick, **Vice President - P**

John Musewicz - A

Bob Magliocchi - P

Solicitor - Louis A. Cimini - P

Mayor - Wayne Williams - P

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - A

Secretary - Renee O'Malley - A

Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Robin Galli - P

Announcements:

* The Municipal Building will be closed on Monday, May 30th, 2016 in observance of Memorial Day.

* Memorial Day Services will be held on Monday, May 30th, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Municipal Building and 11:00 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial on Boulevard Ave.

Work Session/Meeting Schedule:

* The May monthly work session/meeting will be held Tues. May 31st, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

* The June mid month work session/meeting will be held Mon. June 13th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

* The June monthly work session/meeting will be held Mon. June 27th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Audience comments on tonight's agenda:

Dave Karr, Meade St.: Thinks it is worth considering the Borough Manager.

Tomasovitch & Kucharski added that the Neighborhood watch did a great job cleaning up.

Karr: Probably going to do Pancoast St. next. 3 Hours after there was more papers. No respect. Questioned if can have it weed wacked to clean it up. Knows it's a state road but maybe can put no littering signs up.

Lukasewicz asked to have it passed on to Robert Kalinoski. Maybe then can do some weed wacking.

Lukasewicz questioned Attorney Cimini if there has been any word from the property owner in regards to the sidewalks. Get the agreement this year for the sidewalk project for next year.

Attorney Cimini: Yes

Magliocchi: Can we have Bob Lokuta send a letter that it needs to be cleaned up?

Lukasewicz doesn't believe any restrictions placed on unimproved property.

Magliocchi: Have Bob check that.

Tomasovitch: Pancoast St too

Kucharski: We have a right away on Pancoast because of the sewer line there.

Karr added that there is a sewer line on Oleckna too.

1. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To allow Lackawanna County SWAT team to use the church rectory on Monday, May 23rd, 2016 for training and to get any and all approvals from the Insurance company in place before they come in.

All in favor

Motion carried

2. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Mazak

To amend the motion passed at the last meeting and to allow the 9 & 10 year olds to play on the old Little League field. If there is a scheduled game for the little kids first then they have the priority. This is only a temporary fix and will revisit it next year.

Kucharski: Are we adding in the event the new field isn't playable?

Magliocchi: Not sure can make that motion. Basically saying what games can be played when the run the organization.

All talking at once.

Robert Ware, Dunmore St.: Our scheduled games are not on the same days as theirs. So if the new field is not available, but the old one usually is, we can jump over there. If there is a

practice games take precedence over practice.

Lukasewicz: That's fine.

Tomasovitch: I will vote for it but if a ball goes into the girls field and a girl gets hurt I don't want to be liable for it.

Lukasewicz added that we have insurance.

Tomasovitch: I wanted that stated. I don't want to get sued.

Kucharski: This is hopefully just for this year. A temporary fix.

**All in favor except
Magliocchi abstained**

Motion carried

3. Motion by Kucharski

Seconded by Repchick

To authorize the Solicitor to look into bids for a recruiting firm for hiring a Borough Manager.

**4 in favor, Tomasovitch
& Lukasewicz against**

Motion carried

4. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Mazak

To have the Borough Fire Chief as the custodian for the new Borough Fire Truck.

On the question:

Mayor Williams: Maybe should add to say Rescue in case a new chief gets in there.

Lukasewicz: Include that in case Andy is no longer the Borough Fire Chief it will be revisited.

Mayor: The next Chief of the Rescue because that's where the truck is.

Lukasewicz: He is Chief of Rescue today and may not be tomorrow. We have to say it is the Borough Fire Chief.

All in favor

Motion carried

5. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Kucharski

To direct the street commissioner, Robert Kalinoski, to put signs on Oleckna St. at the stop sign behind the Church that oncoming traffic does not stop.

All in favor

Motion carried

6. Motion by Mazak

Second

To ask the Little League and the Booster Club to submit to Throop Borough Council 3 years worth of fiscal records.

No Second

Motion fails

Audience Comments:

Joe Tropiak, Phillips St.: Spoke of the firing range. Stated that there is one on Salem Mountain.
Lukasewicz: Yes but there are certain restrictions because it is governed by the game commission for hunting. It's for hunting and they don't let Police Departments go there.

Joe Tropiak: Questioned what time the SWAT Team will be practicing on Monday.

Galli: Believes 4:30 pm

Repchick: Didn't think gave a time.

Lukasewicz: That is governed by the county.

Attorney Cimini: Motion # 1 has to be that they get any/all approvals by insurance company.
Added to Motion.

Joe Tropiak: Questioned if the SWAT team will damage anything.

Lukasewicz: No

Tropiak: Talked about not wanting anyone to see it. It's going to be public anyway.

Lukasewicz: I'm sure they will do it in a way that no one is involved and have people around to control it.

Kucharski questioned if had done it last year on Dunmore St in the dilapidated house.

William Shevchik, Harriet St.: Questioned how the sidewalk project is coming along down the Boulevard.

Lukasewicz: We've been in negotiations with the land owner and we're very close to having all papers signed, the agreements so can do sidewalks, re-grading of the roads, drainage controls.
Going to do next year.

The meeting was adjourned.

Meeting Minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary