

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Special Monthly Meeting
for General Purposes
Thursday, April 10, 2003
following the 6:30 p.m. Work Session**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

“God Bless Our Military and the Coalition”

ROLL CALL:

Members Of Council:

Anthony Chrzan - **P**

James Barnick - **P**

Vice President- Thomas Lukasewicz - **P**

President-James Mellody Jr. - **P**

George Marushock - **P**

Daryl Menichetti - **P**

Joseph Barone - **P**

Mayor - Stanley Lukowski - **P**

Solicitor - Attorney Louis Cimini - **A**

Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - **A**

Administrator/Secretary - Elaine Morrell - **P**

Announcements:

- * The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Washington Street Park on Sun, April 13 at 1:00 p.m. In case of inclement weather it will be held on April 19. Tickets are available at the Civic Center.

- * The borough truck is available for borough residents by calling Elaine or Christina.

There were no audience comments on tonight’s agenda.

1. Motion by Barnick

Seconded by Chrzan

To adopt Throop Borough Resolution # 3 of 2003, a resolution to open the Throop Borough Tax Escrow Account. This account is a Special Bank Account to segregate 25% of the taxes paid in protest by Keystone Sanitary Landfill. (The statute mandates the Taxing Authority to segregate 25% of the paid taxes.) Three signatures required, President, Treasurer and Administrator/Secretary, and the Vice President to sign in the absence of any of the three. The taxes paid in protest by Keystone Landfill amount to \$7,132.40. The amount to be deposited in the special account is \$1,783.10.

All in favor

Motion carried

2. Motion by Barnick

Seconded by Chrzan

To amend the following motion that was passed on March 31, 2003:
To accept the proposal from Martin's Power Sweeping at a rate of \$90.00 per hour for street sweeping. The proposal is at a rate of **\$95.00** per hour.

All in favor

Motion carried

3. Motion by Marushock

Seconded by Barone

To authorize the December, 2002 quarterly payment in the amount of \$750.00 to Pennsylvania Municipal Pension Services from the assets of the Police Pension Plan. This payment was missed.

All in favor

Motion carried

4. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Marushock

To donate \$200.00 to VFW Post # 7251 and \$200.00 to the American Legion Post 180 towards Memorial Day services.

All in favor

Motion carried

5. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barnick

To keep the pavilion restrooms locked at the Washington Street Park on a daily basis unless there is something scheduled there. (There are port-o-lavs at the park.)

On the question:

Menichetti: It's sad that we had to do this but with the vandalism....

Barnick: And it's been going on for years.

Barone: At least until maybe we get some kind of security down there anyway.

Menichetti: Is the park open now? *Elaine responded it should be. I've had people saying that they wanted to walk in there and it's locked. Elaine asked if that was recently. Not too long ago, yes. Few speaking at once. Elaine affirmed the park should have been opened when the weather was getting nicer.*

All in favor

Motion carried

6. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Menichetti

To adopt Throop Borough Ordinance # 6 of 2003 - Vacating Clay St. between Ridge and Martarano.

On the question:

Marushock: Shouldn't this be tabled because we need to have a hearing first before we adopt this? *Cimini explained the motion should be made and there would be notices sent that the ordinance was adopted. Then there would be a thirty day period to request a hearing by any interested party. Note: Elaine sent notice to all homeowners (not certified) informing them that this motion was being passed in case of any questions.*

Marushock: So this is only to move the hearing forward?

Morrell: No, this is to adopt the ordinance. If anybody wants a hearing in regards to this, they can request a hearing in writing.

Marushock: And why are we vacating with the possibility of further development up in that area? Why are we going to vacate it, give it away?

Lukasewicz: I thought we discussed this and there were going to be provisions that if anything had to be done there in the future for sewer lines and whatever, there would be provisions for that. People won't be able to build on there or anything. *Few speaking at once.*

Marushock: I don't see the need to give away something that the borough currently owns.

Chrzan: What is the borough going to do with it?

Few speaking at once, a discussion ensued.

Six in favor - Chrzan, Barnick, Lukasewicz, Menichetti, Barone, Melody

One against - Marushock

Motion carried

7. Motion by Chrzan **Seconded by Marushock**

To add the 700 block of Center Street to the 2003 Street Paving list (approximately 82' x 8') and to direct the borough engineer to review the area.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Chrzan **Seconded by Barone**

To authorize Joseph Vidal & Son to install the timer for the flashing signals (Sanderson and Charles Streets).

All in favor

Motion carried

9. Motion by Chrzan **Seconded by Barnick**

To send a letter to Ann Ludwig regarding the parcel of land across from the Village Market in reference to sale of the property.

On the question:

Barnick: If she just wants to get a price on it, because we're going to have to expend some money, we're going to have to get an appraisal. So, (only) if she's really interested in selling it.

All in favor

Motion carried

10. Motion by Chrzan **Seconded by Menichetti**

To hire John Romanosky as part time DPW temporary summer help.

Three in favor - Chrzan, Lukasewicz, Menichetti

Three Abstain - Barnick, Marushock, Barone

One against - Mellody

Motion carried

11. Motion by Marushock **Seconded by Barnick**

To hire Ronald Green as part time DPW temporary summer help.

All in favor

Motion carried

12. Motion by Barnick

Seconded by Marushock

To hire Shawn Smith as part time DPW temporary summer help.

All in favor

Motion carried

13. Motion by Barnick

Seconded by Chrzan

To hire Ryan Provinzano as alternate part time temporary summer help (in the event John Romanosky, Ronald Green or Shawn Smith do not start their employment after hire).

All in favor

Motion carried

Audience Comments:

Dominick Rocco, 110 Sanderson St. - Discussed lighting for the Bellman Street Playground (beer parties last year) and a gate for the back end of the playground so the children from Tiffany Estates could go to the playground.

The meeting was adjourned

Elaine Morrell, Administrator/Secretary

Minutes by Christina Sullivan, Assistant Secretary