

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Special Monthly Meeting
for General Purposes
Monday, December 17, 2007**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

God Bless Our Troops and the Coalition

ROLL CALL:

Members of Council:

Ray Jarosh - A

James Barnick, **Vice President - P**

Thomas Lukasewicz, **President - P**

Tony Chrzan - **P**

George Marushock - A

John Musewicz - **P**

Joseph Barone - **P**

Solicitor - Louis A. Cimini - A

Mayor - Stanley Lukowski - **P**

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - **P**

Secretary - Christina Sullivan - **P**

Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Elaine Morrell - **P**

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Announcements:

- An Executive Session was held Monday, December 10, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. regarding Teamster's contract negotiations.
- An Executive Session was held this evening at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the DPW complex and personnel matters.
- The **Annual Children's Christmas Party** for the children of Throop will be held at the Throop Civic Center on **Saturday, December 22 from 1:00 - 3:00.** (The date is changed from December 15th to the 22nd.)
- Representative Frank Andrews Shimkus will present Patrolman William Hazelton with a letter of recognition at the Children's Christmas Party at 1:30 p.m. on December 22 at the civic center.

Schedule of Meetings:

- Thursday, December 27, 2007 - Monthly Work Session/Meeting for General Purposes beginning at 6:30 p.m. (Adoption of the 2008 Budgets)
- Monday, January 7, 2008 - Re-organization meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Official Comments/Discussion:

President Lukasewicz / Vice President Barnick: Regarding the DPW Contract, an Executive Session will be held prior to the December 27 meeting at 6:00 p.m. Officials received a copy of insurance information.

There were no audience comments on the agenda.

1. Motion by Musewicz Second by Chrzan

To accept the minutes of the October 18, October 29, November 8 and November 28, 2007 council meetings.

All in favor Motion carried

2. Motion by Barone Second by Chrzan

To pay the bills against the borough as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

Unpaid Bills: Items for Payment	\$112,977.89
Paid Bills: Includes Sunny Day CD \$92,715.17	\$124,809.73

All in favor Motion carried

3. Motion by Barone Second by Chrzan

To ratify the purchase of a new Sunny Day Fund CD in the amount of \$92,715.17 at the Fidelity Bank, Dunmore for 12 months at 4.55 %.
(\$82,464.81 represents 10% of the quarterly host municipality fees for the 2nd and 3rd quarters of 2007 up to the \$200,000.00 requirement. \$10,250.36 represents the difference remaining in the Sunny Day Fund CD that matured on November 2, 2007.)

All in favor Motion carried

4. Motion by Musewicz Second by Chrzan

To allocate 1/2 of the budgeted allotment to our fire marshal and assistants:
Maurice Menichetti, Fire Marshall - \$200.00
Ed Bocan, Assistant - \$200.00
Jerry Barone, Assistant - \$200.00

All in favor Motion carried

Motion #5 Tabled:

Motion by Barnick

Second by Chrzan

To ratify Street Commissioner, Robert Kalinoski's carryover of sick, vacation, personal time from 2006.

All in favor

Motion tabled

6. Motion by Barone

Second by Chrzan

To pay the borough's share of pension payments in the amount of \$34,152.01 to the Non Uniform Pension Fund and \$3,749.00 to the Police Pension Fund as per the 2007 MMO Minimum Municipal Obligation: Non Uniform Pension - \$75,835.00 minus state aid \$41,682.99 borough's share \$34,152.01. Police Pension Fund - \$35,813.00 minus state aid \$32,064.00 borough's share \$3,749.00. The borough's share is due by December 31, 2007.

All in favor

Motion carried

7. Motion by Musewicz

Second by Barnick

To authorize Scranton Craftsmen Excavating application for payment # 3 at the adjusted amount of \$32,500.00 as final payment for the Eddy Creek Sewer Project.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Barone

Second by Barnick

To authorize Scranton Craftsmen Excavating application for payment # 3 retainage in the amount of \$11,690.13 for the Oleckna Street Sanitary Storm Sewer Project.

All in favor

Motion carried

9. Motion by Musewicz

Second by Barnick

To pay FNCB \$2,000,000.00 (TAN Loan) from the INVEST account. Payment due by December 31, 2007.

All in favor

Motion carried

10. Motion by Barone

Second by Barnick

To authorize Robert Kalinoski, Street Commissioner / head of the DPW, to take necessary disciplinary actions for DPW worker infractions.

All in favor

Motion carried

11. Motion by Barnick

Second by Barnick

To enter into a contract with ANC Heating out of Endicott, New York for the amount of \$26,323.00 for a new heating system for the borough building; rooftop units, awarded on emergency type basis. To authorize approval if additional work is needed / warranted (electrical, etc.).

On the question:

Barnick: I don't know if you should add anything else over there; (if they have to) to upgrade some electric. At least it won't come back to us, because we need that heat over there. I mean, I wouldn't go specifically to the dollar, just in case (*included in motion*).

All in favor

Motion carried

12. Motion by Barone

Second by Barnick

To authorize Robert Kalinoski to send all necessary information to PennDOT in order to request a traffic study on the 900, 1000 and 1100 blocks of South Valley Avenue.

On the question:

Barnick: Just make sure Robbie gets that letter out right away and then.....

Lukasewicz: As soon as possible.

Barnick: I'll talk to Frank again and then try to get...

All in favor

Motion carried

13. Motion by Barone

Second by Chrzan

To forward all information for #12 (Motion #12) to Senator Mellow's staff and Mr. Shimkus so that they can be aware of our concerns and assist us as necessary.

All in favor

Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Christina Sullivan
Secretary
Throop Borough