

**Meeting
Throop Borough Council
Monday, November 9th, 2015
Budget Work Session 6:30 p.m.
followed by Special Work Session/Meeting**

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 - P

Solicitor - Louis A. Cimini - P

Mayor - Wayne Williams - P

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P

Secretary - Renee O'Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Robin Galli - P

Announcements:

* An executive session was held at 6:00 p.m. to discuss legal and personnel matters.

* Wednesday, November 11th - Veterans Day Services - 10:00 a.m. at the Borough Building Memorial and 11:00 a.m. at the VFW Memorial on Boulevard Ave.

* An executive session was held Monday, Nov. 2nd, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss legal and personnel matters.

Work Session/Meeting Schedule:

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

* The Dec mid month work session/meeting will be held Monday, Dec. 14th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

* The Dec monthly work session/meeting will be held Monday, Dec. 28th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight's agenda.

1. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Mazak**

To authorize payment to Duda Actuarial Consulting, Inc. for the 2015 State Aid Allocation in the amount of \$200.00. Payments will be paid in the amount of \$100.00 from the assets of each fund, the Non-Uniform Pension Plan and Police Pension Plan.

All in favor **Motion carried**

2. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Musewicz**

To allow the Teamsters Local 229 to have the whole day off for contractual holidays ½ day Christmas Eve (Thursday, December 24th) and ½ day New Years Eve (Thursday, December 31st) as we have in the past years. The employees would only be paid for half day holiday. Those employees who have paid time coming will use it for those two (½) days. Those employees who do not have paid time coming would be excused. However, if an emergency should occur the Bargaining Unit employees will report to work for straight time pay.

6 in favor, Tomasovitch **Motion carried**
Abstained

3. Motion by Musewicz **Seconded by Furiosi**

To adopt Resolution # 11 of 2015, a resolution authorizing the Board of Commissioners of Lackawanna County to submit an application for federal fiscal year 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program Funds in the amount of \$62,151.00 on behalf of the Borough of Throop.

All in favor **Motion carried**

4. Motion by Mazak **Seconded by Repchick**

To accept RFP's for 3rd party building inspectors for the Borough of Throop for the calendar year of 2016.

All in favor **Motion carried**

5. Motion by Mazak

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To appoint Lauren Williams to the position of Civic Center Monitor at the prevailing rate.

**6 in favor, Lukasewicz
against**

Motion carried

Mazak added that she was interviewed by himself and Furiosi.

Lukasewicz added that he will not be voting for anybody that is family and it is nothing personal against the applicant.

Conversation took place regarding if Mary Ruth needed anyone.

Discussion took place about the permission of interviewing of Michael Carroll who applied for a civic center position.

Gangemi asked to find out if Mary Ruth needs another person.

Mazak complimented on the website and the work that Galli and O'Malley did on it. Also complimented Galli and Dolan on getting the interest rates.

Repchick forwarded a compliment that he received from a resident regarding Officer Williams stopping and picking up garbage cans on the street.

All talking at once.

6. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Mazak

To authorize Attorney Cimini to precede with what is necessary to do a Resolution for naming the 48 acres park Throop Borough Green Space.

All in favor

Motion carried

Conversation took place regarding the line painting in front of Hose Co #1; Vehicle Code says 75 feet.

Lukasewicz asked that Attorney Cimini work on it and will see what Robert Kalinoski's report says.

Lenore Dolan spoke of seven deer passing on South Valley Ave.

Lukasewicz asked that Robert Kalinoski get some deer warning signs.

Audience Comments:

Joe Tropiak, Phillips St.: Questioned when next meeting to finish the Budget will be.
Lukasewicz replied prior to next meeting.

Andy Hegedus spoke of the tree lighting and if it's ok.
Lukasewicz & Repchick replied it's going to be there. It's fine.

Frank Galli, Kossuth St.: Suggested when advertising for the civic center employment can use face book or other social media and also the outdoor message board to save money on advertising in the paper. Also questioned the borough manager position and questioned what the Manager will do and stated that when Elaine Morrell was here she was the Manager and that the ladies are in a Union and better make sure not taking jobs from them.
Lukasewicz replied if and when we do go down this road everything will be researched. It is just a thought in the wind and the last thing we want is to be sued.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary