

Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday September 17th, 2012
Work Session/Monthly Meeting 6:30 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 - P

Solicitor - Louis A. Cimini - P

Mayor - Stanley Lukowski - P

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P

Secretary - Renee O’Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer -Robin Galli - P

Announcements:

Work Session/Meeting Schedule:

* An Executive meeting was held this evening at 6:00 pm to discuss legal and personnel matters. There was also a brief, partial executive meeting held during the work session.

* The October mid-month work session/meeting will be held Monday, Oct. 8th at 6:30 p.m.

* The October monthly work session /meeting will be held Monday, Oct. 29th at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight’s agenda.

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

To accept the monthly zoning reports and the minutes of the August 27, 2012 and September 10, 2012 council meetings.

All in favor **Motion carried**

Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports

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

To accept the treasurers' monthly reports as posted and to pay the monthly bills against the borough as posted and/or printed on the agenda (as of September 17, 2012).

Unpaid bills: "Items for Payment"	\$48,683.36
Paid bills:	\$119,734.16
General Fund Revenue Report	\$133,337.76
Civic Center Revenue Report	July - \$11,439.56

All in favor **Motion carried**

- 3. Motion by Tomasovitch** **Seconded by Repchick**

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

All in favor except Gangemi & Musewicz abstain on family members **Motion carried**

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

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

All in favor **Motion carried**

5. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Musewicz

To accept the Fund Statement, Budgeted Revenue & Expense Statement and Loan Balance as of August 31, 2012 as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

Fund Balances:	
General Fund Checking Account (Fidelity)	\$54,366.50
General Fund Performance Money Market (Fidelity)	\$436,649.32
Civic Center Account (Fidelity)	\$514.31
General Fund Petty Cash	\$300.00
Payroll Checking Account (Fidelity)	\$22,644.97
Sunny Day Fund MMKT Ck Acct (Fidelity Bank)	\$5,463,286.07
Sunny Day Fund CD's	\$82,246.40
Liquid Fuels Account (Fidelity)	\$162,972.39
Fund Statement Grand Total:	\$6,222,979.96

Lenore Dolan: Wanted to make aware that as of next month the bank interest rates are going to drop to .40%.

A discussion took place regarding contacting the bank along with other banks to see who would have the best rate.

Lukasewicz suggested Robin or Attorney Cimini call Fidelity and let them know that they are not happy with the reduction and are requesting to keep it the same.

All in favor

Motion carried

6. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Mazak

To ratify the transfer of \$125,000.00 from the General Fund Money Market Checking Account to the General Fund Checking Account at the Fidelity Bank.

All in favor

Motion carried

11. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Furiosi

To precede with the Maid Rite lawsuit in regards to the sewer lines.

On the question:

Gangemi questioned what the specifics were with the lawsuit.

Attorney Cimini: Wanted to get back the money for some things the Borough had to do and maintenance going forward in the future. There haven't been complaints again until this complaint.

Repchick: found grease in the lines.

All in favor

Motion carried

Audience Comments:

Rick Mauger, 1 Charles St.: Questioned having Ordinances regarding people buying cheap properties, not fixing them and renting them out for Section 8. I live next to one. Shingles coming off, garbage in the yard not in cans therefore everywhere.

Lukasewicz added that this needs to be addressed in the Borough as a priority. Requested getting Scranton's Ordinance regarding this problem and also amending the garbage Ordinance that all trash needs to be canned. We need someone to enforce it.

Rick Mauger, 1 Charles St.: Added that not only are the tenants an issue but it is also the landlords issue. He has written into the lease that these people must maintain their property. They don't have a lawn mower or hedge clippers.

Bob Lokuta added that he will check in with the gentleman tomorrow.

Tomasovitch questioned Attorney Cimini about more mailboxes in the Borough. Attorney Cimini will call tomorrow. Also questioned the large picture window on the property by the Church that has been there.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary