

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Special Monthly Meeting
Borough Finances and General Purpose
Thursday, September 6, 2007**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

God Bless Our Troops and the Coalition

ROLL CALL:

Members of Council:

James Barnick, **Vice President - P**

Ray Jarosh - **P**

Thomas Lukasewicz, **President - P**

Tony Chrzan - **P**

George Marushock - **A**

John Musewicz - **P**

Joseph Barone - **P**

Solicitor - Louis A. Cimini - **P**

Mayor - Stanley Lukowski - **P**

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - **A**

Secretary - Christina Sullivan - **P**

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

Announcements:

Blood Drive in Memory of Paul Krupski on Sun., Sept. 23, 2007 at the Throop Civic Center 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

There were no audience comments on the agenda.

1. Motion by Musewicz **Second by Jarosh**

To transfer \$12,000.00 from the Capital Projects Account to the General Fund.

All in favor Motion carried

2. Motion by Musewicz **Second by Jarosh**

To accept the "Financial Requirement and (MMO) Minimum Municipal Obligation Budget for 2008":

Police Pension Plan MMO based on a 8% interest rate, MMO \$50,540.00 and Non-Uniform Pension Plan MMO based on a 8% interest rate, MMO \$75,382.00 as prepared by Duda Actuarial Consulting.

All in favor Motion carried

3. Motion by Musewicz **Second by Jarosh**

To authorize payment from the Police Pension Fund to Duda Actuarial Consulting, Inc. in the amount of \$1,000.00.

All in favor Motion carried

4. Motion by Musewicz **Second by Jarosh**

To authorize payment from the Non-Uniform Pension Fund to Duda Actuarial Consulting, Inc. in the amount of \$1,000.00.

All in favor Motion carried

5. Motion by Musewicz **Second by Jarosh**

To accept Nick Rocco's resignation as a member of the Throop Planning Agency effective immediately.

On the question:

Barone: Did he give a reason why?

Lukasewicz: He moved out of town

All in favor Motion carried

6. Motion by Musewicz

Second by Barnick

To direct the solicitor to prepare an ordinance to reenact the EMST ordinance to comply with the new LST provisions. (This applies to boroughs that did enact an EMST but do not plan to change the rate of the tax at this time.)

All in favor

Motion carried

7. Motion by Barone

Second by Chrzan

To advertise for adoption on September 24, 2007, Ordinance # 6 of 2007, an ordinance Providing for the Collection and Disposal of Municipal Waste; Requiring Preparation, Manner and Frequency of Collection and Authorizing Additional Rules and Regulations.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Barnick

Second by Barone

To allow for borrowing against funds in the Sunny Day Fund, as defined by the Sunshine Act and Borough Code or as per the required law to amend any sections necessary to fulfill the law that establishes the Fund, the amount of \$350,000. Said amount to be included and repaid in the 2008 Budget, including interest, and requires a super-majority vote (five of seven members). To allow for advertising for such amendment to Ordinance No. 6 of 1993 and hold a public hearing.

On the question:

Lukasewicz: Jimmy, it's a good idea that you brought up and I like the idea of putting it right back in there.

Barnick: I just want to say when it comes budget time....All I want to see is when it comes budget time, there is positive cuts.

Lukasewicz: That's right. It's time, Jimmy, it's really time.

Barnick: I've been saying this and it's got to happen. The borough cannot sustain in the way it's going.

Mayor: What do you mean by positive cuts, though?

Barnick: I mean like, you've got to get everything you've got expenditures for....

Mayor: Manpower and stuff like that?

Barnick: No, mainly your expenditures like you've got to do something with the fire departments. I'm telling you, you have to do something there. *Discussion.*

All in favor

Motion carried

9. Motion by Barnick

Second by Jarosh

To send a request to Congressman Kanjorski to reallocate the funds from sidewalks to sewers.

On the question:

Lukasewicz: Good idea, Jimmy.

All in favor

Motion carried

Audience Comments:

Joe Tropiak, Phillip Street - Discussion: consideration for grant re-submission.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Christina Sullivan

Secretary

Throop Borough