

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday, April 27th, 2015
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 - Wayne Williams - P

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P

Secretary - Renee O’Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer -Robin Galli - P

Announcements:

* An executive was held this evening at 6:00 p.m .to discuss legal and personnel issues.

Work Session/Meetings:

* The April monthly work session/meeting will be held Monday, Apr 27th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

* The May mid month work session/meeting will be held Monday, May 11th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

* The May monthly work session/meeting will be held Tuesday, May 26th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight’s agenda.

1. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To accept the monthly zoning reports and the minutes of the March 30th and April 13th, 2015 council meetings.

All in favor

Motion carried

Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports

2. Motion by Musewicz

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.

Unpaid bills: "Items for Payment"	\$50,351.56
Paid bills:	\$80,648.78
General Fund Revenue Report (includes transfers from GF MMKT TO GF CK)	\$1,291,615.67
Civic Center Revenue Report	\$12,153.20

On the question:

Mazak added that will be amending the Sunny Day Ordinance to increase the deposit amount to "up to 30%". Need to start being fiscally responsible. Spoke of \$6.5 million in the fund. Have to prepare for the future and right now we are dependent on the landfill revenue. The taxes will have to go up 150 mills. I don't believe the residents of this town are prepared to pay that kind of money.

Lukasewicz: Without scaring people Mark

Mazak: I am not scaring that's the facts.

Lukasewicz: You have to realize that if the expansion doesn't go through you have 9 years expectancy left. It can be done. A lot of towns around us make it without landfill revenue.

Mazak suggested doing next years budget without the landfill revenue.

Repchick added that will have to start laying people off.

Lukasewicz said will have to gradually adjust. We grew too much. We used to have everybody here. We spent money wisely.

Discussion took place if Wolf's plan goes through.

All in favor

Motion carried

3. **Motion by Repchick** **Seconded by Furiosi**

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

**All in favor except Tomasovitch,
Gangemi (proudly) &
Musewicz abstain on family** **Motion carried**

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

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

All in favor **Motion carried**

5. **Motion by Mazak** **Seconded by Repchick**

To accept the Fund Statement, Budgeted Revenue & Expense Statement as of March 31st, 2015 as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

Fund Balances:	
General Fund Checking Account	\$16,912.59
General Fund Performance Money Market	\$1,520,108.31
Civic Center Account	\$944.38
General Fund Petty Cash	\$300.00
Payroll Checking Account	\$48,023.73
Sunny Day Fund MMKT Ck Acct	\$1,955,882.27
Sunny Day Fund CD's	\$4,093,797.62
Liquid Fuels Account	\$190,749.55
Fund Statement Grand Total:	\$7,826,718.45

All in favor

Motion carried

16. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Musewicz

To purchase a storage container for the back of the Police Tahoe at a cost of approximately \$1900.00.

Mazak questioned Mayor if it is needed.

All in favor

Motion carried

17. Motion by Musewicz

Seconded by Furiosi

To donate \$100.00 to Mid Valley Relay for Life.

All in favor

Motion carried

Audience Comments:

Trudy Delawder, Memorial Dr.: Showed flyers that were made for the Crime Watch Community Yard Sale.

Lukasewicz asked that Attorney Cimini check to see if they need a certificate of insurance.

Furiosi questioned if the crime watch signs were up yet.

Carm Buratti, Edgar St.: Spoke of the Penn State Project. A truck took out one of her trees backing down the street. June 1st supposed to be done. Spoke of parking and a road that's supposed to be in.

Lukasewicz asked that Attorney Cimini contact Penn State to let know of the situations.

Tomasovitch spoke of permit parking and Buratti would prefer no permit parking unless there is a problem. Tomasovitch also spoke to them about washing houses.

Mike Chorba, Dudley St.: Spoke of his attendance at the Zoning Hearing regarding the cell tower at Scranton Craftsmen and suggested either the Borough or School district put the cell tower on their land because it was stated that it would bring in \$12,000.00/month.

Mazak spoke of the dumping Scranton Craftsmen is doing there also.

Jim Barnick, 203 Adams: Spoke of the comment of raising taxes to 150 mills. Maximum is only 30 mills with 3 mills for recreation and 3 mills for emergency fire. Would have to cut back because the government got too big. Have to work with what you got. Also stated that we have a Church, rectory and a house that we don't know what we are going to do with them. Also suggested making sure that the properties the Borough bought are not on the tax rolls because will end up at Sheriff's sale.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary