

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday, December 12th, 2016
Special Work Session/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:

Richard Kucharski - P

Vince Tanana - P

Thomas Lukasewicz, **President** - P

Charlene Tomasovitch - A

David Repchick, **Vice President** - A

John Musewicz - P

Bob Magliocchi - A

Solicitor - Louis A. Cimini - P

Mayor - Wayne Williams - A

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P

Secretary - Renee O'Malley - A

Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Robin Galli - P

Announcements:

Work Session/Meeting Schedule:

* The Dec. monthly work session/meeting will be held on Tues. Dec. 27th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight's agenda.

1. **Motion by Tanana** **Seconded by Kucharski**

To donate \$200.00 to the Over 55 Club and \$200.00 to Senior Citizens Elite Club for their Christmas Parties.

All in favor **Motion carried**

2. **Motion by Musewicz** **Seconded by Tanana**

To adopt the 2017 General Fund and Liquid Fuels Budgets.

All in favor **Motion carried**

3. **Motion by Musewicz** **Seconded by Kucharski**

To advertise the 2017 Borough Work Sessions/Meetings. The Council Work Session/Meetings will be held on the 2nd and last Monday of the month. The work sessions will begin at 6:30 p.m. meetings will follow. Any re-scheduling will be advertised. Cancellations will be posted. Meetings are held in council chambers. The following Monday meetings; May 29th, Dec. 25th will be held the Tuesday following, due to holidays.

All in favor **Motion carried**

4. **Motion by Tanana** **Seconded by Kucharski**

To advertise Ordinance #1 of 2017, re-enacting a tax on assessed valuation.

All in favor **Motion carried**

5. **Motion by Musewicz** **Seconded by Tanana**

To reimburse Kimberly Pacgna in the amount of \$35.00 for basketball fees.

All in favor **Motion carried**

6. Motion by Musewicz **Seconded by Kucharski**

To reimburse Volunteer Hose Company in the amount of \$2,941.51 for adding Pierce Fire Truck to insurance policy and increase in building value.

**All in favor except
Tanana abstained**

Motion carried

7. Motion by Musewicz **Seconded by Kucharski**

To accept the proposal received in the amount of \$1,515.00 from C.M. Eishenlaub Co. for safety inspection of the bleachers at the Civic Center.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Musewicz **Seconded by Tanana**

To accept the one lot in Tiffany Estates that we have an easement on and thank Mr. Summa & Mr. Plaumbo for offering it to us and the other 2 lots also but we are not interested in them.

All in favor

Motion carried

9. Motion by Tanana **Seconded by Kucharski**

To authorize payment in the amount of \$1000.00 to Duda Actuarial for Police Pension study and paid for from the assets of the fund.

All in favor

Motion carried

10. Motion by Tanana **Seconded by Musewicz**

To donate \$100.00 to the Mid Valley Boys Basketball ad book.

All in favor

Motion carried

11. Motion by Musewicz

Seconded by Tanana

To hire Jordan Kucharski as a part time monitor at the Civic Center at the prevailing rate on a as needed basis.

On the question:

Lukasewicz stated that he will be voting against as he has in the past because it is someone related to a council member.

**2 in favor, Kucharski
abstained - Granddaughter,
Lukasewicz against**

Motion carried

Audience Comments:

Joe Tropiak, Phillips St: Questioned the conversation in the work session regarding the lots
Lukasewicz replied: Tiffany Estates has 3 lots that it never sold. Mr. Summa & Mr. Palumbo are interested in giving them away rather than selling them. The one lot we have an easement on for storm line & storm drainage area so that lot we want to secure because it would be in the best interest of the Borough. The other 2 lots are going down hill towards the river on the slope and have had issues with water runoff years ago and we don't want to have any issues in the future. So in our best interest not to acquire those.

Tropiak: So he'll still own them?

Lukasewicz: He'll still own them or possibly he'll put them up for sale or just give them to the neighbors adjacent to them.

Tropiak: Thank you.

Denise Brown, Phillips St.: Whenever the positions at the Civic Center are filled are they ever advertised? Or just filling with friends?

Lukasewicz: It just seems like for the civic center people just put names in whenever. Anybody could put an app for any position in the Borough at anytime. We take applications all the time. I don't remember ever advertising for that.

Brown asked what the prevailing rate is.

Galli: I believe \$10.11

Tanana: The person hired tonight has worked here before 2 years previously. She is in from collage and is to be scheduled only if Mary Ruth needs here.

Brown: It struck me that every time a position is filled it's somebody is abstaining because they know somebody.

Tanana: That was way before Rich was appointed to Council that his granddaughter worked over there.

Brown: Just curious.

Brown: The flood plain discussion that was had a few months ago. Are those residents notified that this is happening?

Kalinoski: There were notices sent out possibly 2 years ago when the map changes were first made public. They were sent to each individual property owner at that time.

Brown: _____ said it was very expensive to get it certified or whatever it needs to be done. Do you remember what that cost?

Kalinoski: No idea. From what I understand, millions.

Brown: Ok. Thank you.

The meeting was adjourned.

Meeting Minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary