

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday, December 28th, 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 - A
Charlene Tomasovitch - P
Thomas Lukasewicz, **President - P**
Anthony Gangemi, **Vice President - P**
David Repchick - P
John Musewicz P
Neil Furiosi - A
Solicitor - Louis A. Cimini - P
Mayor - Wayne Williams - A
Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P
Secretary - Renee O'Malley - P
Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Robin Galli - P

Lukasewicz requested a brief moment of silence after acknowledging the passing of long time Mayor Stanley Lukowski and also the passing of Ralph Savitsky.

Throop Borough Officials and Employees would like to wish everyone a Happy, Healthy, Prosperous New Year.

Announcements:

* The Municipal Building will be closed on Thursday, December 31st, 2015 and Friday, January 1st, 2015 in observance of New Years.

Garbage Collection:

* New Years Eve (Thursday, Dec. 31st, 2015): Normal Thursday collection is changed to the preceding Tuesday, Dec. 29th, 2015.

* New Years (Friday, Jan. 1st, 2016: Normal Friday collection is changed to the following Monday, January 4th, 2016.

* Christmas Tree pick up is scheduled for Monday, January 11th, 2016 and Monday, January 18th, 2016.

Work Session/Meeting Schedule:

* The Re-organization Meeting will be held on Monday, January 4th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight's agenda.

1. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Musewicz

To accept the monthly zoning reports and the minutes of the Nov. 30th, 2015 and Dec. 14th, 2015 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.

Unpaid bills: "Items for Payment"	\$46,941.21
Paid bills:	\$222,539.58
General Fund Revenue Report (includes transfers from GF MMKT TO GF CK)	\$760,026.12
Civic Center Revenue Report	\$11,276.16

All in favor

Motion carried

3. Motion by Repchick

Seconded by Musewicz

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

**All in favor except Tomasovitch
abstained on husband & father,
Gangemi abstained on daughter &
Musewicz abstained on daughter**

Motion carried

4. Motion by Gangemi **Seconded by Musewicz**

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

All in favor **Motion carried**

5. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To accept the Fund Statement, Budgeted Revenue & Expense Statement as of Nov. 30th, 2015 as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

Fund Balances:	
General Fund Checking Account	\$119,475.70
Purchasing Account	\$1,000.00
General Fund Performance Money Market	\$2,040,340.99
Civic Center Account	\$428.35
General Fund Petty Cash	\$300.00
Payroll Checking Account	\$22,020.59
Sunny Day Fund MMKT Ck Acct	\$2,444,090.42
Sunny Day Fund CD's	\$4,120,609.92
Liquid Fuels Account	\$191,515.99
Fund Statement Grand Total:	\$8,939,781.96

All in favor **Motion carried**

6. Motion by Gangemi **Seconded by Repchick**

To pay the quarterly allotments to the Emergency Services for the Borough of Throop. \$5,625.00 each to all Hose Companies (Hose Co #1, #2 and Volunteers #3) and \$1,500.00 to Dickson City Ambulance.

All in favor **Motion carried**

11. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To reimburse the Volunteer Hose Co in the amount of \$2,500.00 for payment made to Masonry, Tile and Restoration, Inc. for the foundation.

All in favor **Motion carried**

12. Motion by Musewicz **Seconded by Repchick**

To authorize payment in the amount of \$15,968.20 for invoices received for the addition to Volunteer Hose Co building (Altiers Trucking & Recovery LLC -\$200.00, Virbitsky Masonry Inc. - \$4,100.00, Keystone Versa-Lock - \$1,078.78, Scranton Craftsmen Inc. - \$4,729.72 and Scranton Craftsmen Excavating - \$5,859.70).

On the question:

Lukasewicz stated he will abstain from anything regarding Scranton Craftsmen due to past stated reasons.

**All in favor except Lukasewicz
abstained from Scranton Craftsmen** **Motion carried**

13. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To purchase 6 tablets and return 6 as per agreement for the Police Department as per recommendation by Officer Marc Murcko at a cost of approximately \$1200.00.

All in favor **Motion carried**

14. Motion by Repchick **Seconded by Musewicz**

To authorize signature as needed for land lease agreement between Throop Little League/Booster Club and Throop Borough based upon recommendation of Solicitor Attorney Cimini.

All in favor **Motion carried**

Official Comments:

Lukasewicz spoke of the amount of water on the new Little League field after it rains. Have to come up with a good game plan for the beginning of the year.

Attorney Cimini will call Jack Scheuer in the morning.

Lukasewicz asked that he tell him to send someone down after the next rain. From second base to third base. The old field and the girls field is fine.

Musewicz added that the last treatment they did were hoping it would help.

Lukasewicz: After next rain have Robert meet with Jack to see what can do and have Mark Kosik there to. See what he can do. He is usually a stand up guy.

Lukasewicz also asked to see what exactly was done with the fertilization and what paid. Have it ready for when they can do it. The girls field looks beautiful.

Lukasewicz also thanked Vice President Tony Gangemi on behalf of himself and Council and Attorney Cimini for his years of service. Also hopes if an opening arises he will consider whole heartedly. Having you here has made things easier.

Audience Comments:

Dave Karr, 640 Meade St.: Questioned if the Little League field is a done deal.

Lukasewicz replied that everything is paid for and signed off on. Hopefully come Spring time whoever helped will aid in fixing the field.

Karr also asked if there were any legal ramifications if they don't live up to their..

Attorney Cimini will talk to Borough Engineer to see if still Bonds.

Karr questioned the Oleckna Street sidewalks project.

Attorney Cimini stated he has a meeting with Mr. Rinaldi next Wednesday.

Karr also questioned if there are any grants available that can help with funding the project.

Lukasewicz stated may be. The road is a mess. Suggested that Attorney contact the State and get the conversation going that we are anticipating to do this and would be nice if we could work in conjunction.

Tropiak, Phillips St.: Questioned if renters are being registered.

Lukasewicz asked that the renters Ordinance be enforced ASAP.

Tropiak: And also questioned if in Ordinance states anything about parking spaces.

Lukasewicz Believes it would come down to if apartment building was there and if grand fathered in.

A lot of irregularities you cannot fix. Can't retrofit what was there in the past. We have zoning requirements that require anything new to live up to the requirements or if there is a changed use.

Lukasewicz spoke of almost getting hit by Scranton Rent All. There is a site clearance on corners and are parking up to the intersection/stop sign.

Bob Lokuta said he will take care of it tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned.

Meeting minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary