

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Special Meeting
Thursday, January 13, 2000**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Mayor Stanley Lukowski-P
Thomas Lukasewicz-A
Joseph Keyasko-P
Joseph Barone-P
James Barnick-P
Anthony Chrzan-P
George Marushock-P
Robert Mraz-A
Daryl Menichetti-A
Lenore Dolan-A
Lou Cimini-P

Announcements:

An Executive Session was held Tuesday, January 11, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. at the civic center with Atty. Doug Blazey RE: Marjol

An Executive Session was held this evening at 6:00 p.m. - Throop Vs. Rinaldi - Development (Also we will need a motion placed on to send a letter to the Planning Agency as per their request to extend the preliminary approval of the Village Square Plans for an additional 6 months.) (Rinaldi-Village Square plans on developing the property right here by May.)

Thursday, Jan 27, 2000 - 6:30 p.m. - Quarterly Pension Meeting with Ron Yanoski, Merrill Lynch before the monthly work session.

Monday, Jan 31, 2000 - 6:30 p.m. - Public Hearing on the CDBG monies with Ernie Cicilioni, Redevelopment Authority of Lacka County Community before the monthly meeting. The CDBG money this year is designated for the Warsaw Project, all new storm sewers, streets, etc.

1. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To pay the Borough Solicitor, Louis A. Cimini \$6,250.00 monthly.

Roll call:

3 in favor - Chrzan, Barone, Barnick

2 against - Keyasko, Marushock

Motion carried

Mr. Barnick - This was originally approved at \$75,000.00 per year, what we're doing is by a monthly basis. He works 140 hours per month.

Mr. Marushock - How is the accounting done on Mr. Cimini's time? Is there any way to verify that he is?

Mr. Barnick - I call him at 8:00 a.m. about noon time and about 5:00.

Mr. Marushock - You're paid \$60,000.00. I don't think your records clarify.....

Inaudible several people speaking at once.

Mr. Cimini - Just pay me by the hour. Pay me by the hour like everybody else. Let me charge \$75.00/\$80.00 like everybody else. I can work less and make more money.

Mr. Marushock - And punch the clock.

Mr. Keyasko - He's an employee of the borough. Everybody else does it and he has Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Mr. Chrzan - You didn't say nothing when Joe Price charged \$87,000.00 for one lousy...

Inaudible.....Discussion pursued.

2. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To authorize Attorney Doug Blazey to research and amend the Nuisance Ordinance.

Roll call:

4 in favor - Keyasko, Chrzan, Barone, Barnick

1 against - Marushock

Motion carried

Mr. Marushock - That's what I mean, can't you have Cimini do that? You have to hire another lawyer. It's not the only legal fees that the borough pays.

Mr. Chrzan - Certain lawyers specialize on certain things.

Mr. Barnick - If you don't get an expert on environmental lands fighting these giants and you want him to take it on besides doing everything else?

3. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To authorize Louis A. Cimini to appeal the 48 acres to the PADEP Environmental hearing Board.

Roll call:

4 in favor - Chrzan, Marushock, Barone, Barnick

1 against - Keyasko

Motion carried

Joe Keyasko - There's an underground fire there, isn't there? They didn't build a school.

4. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To authorize the Purchasing committee to approve purchases over \$200.00 but less than \$3,500.00.

On the question:

Mr. Keyasko - Is this legal, this amount?

Atty. Cimini - I'll do research if you want.

Roll call:

3 in favor - Chrzan, Barone, Barnick

2 against - Keyasko, Marushock

Motion carried

5. Motion by Keyasko

Seconded by Marushock

To authorize George Marushock to attend the one day session work shop "Newly elected Borough Officials Training on Feb 12 at a cost of \$45.00.

All in favor

Motion carried

6. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To ratify that 2 DPW employees were on call for a 24 hour period New Years Eve through New Years Day at \$5.00 per hour.

All in favor

Motion carried

7. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To authorize payment to The New Mary Carter \$2,000.00 for the new carpeting and installation in council chambers and the Admin/Treas office.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To authorize payment # 1 to Leeward Construction in the amount of \$30,308.00 for the Crawford Ct. Project.

On the question:

Mr. Marushock - Is some withheld?

Mr. Barnick - Always

All in favor

Motion carried

9. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To authorize payment # 1 to Leeward Construction in the amount of \$165,943.39 For the Boulevard Project.

All in favor

Motion carried

10. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To advertise the following ordinances - Debt Ordinance # 6 of 2000, Ordinance # 7 of 2000 amending Ordinance # 11 of 1995, Pave cuts and Ordinance # 8 of 2000 setting the speed limit to 25MPH unless otherwise posted.

All in favor

Motion carried

11. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To reject the proposal from Steve Weinberg/Community Action Services proposal for the Economic Development Plan and to send the SCPAP Grant money back to the state.

On the question:

Mr. Marushock - Is that because he was unable to give us the plan?

Mr. Barnick - The grant has been in place since 1988, I believe and has never been completed.

Mrs. Morrell - It was extended a couple of times.

All in favor

Motion carried

Motion by Keyasko

No Second

To grant the request to Mid Valley School District to use the Washington Street Park field for the 2000 baseball season.

12. Motion by Barone

Seconded by Chrzan

To send a letter the Mid Valley School District to refuse the request to use the Washington Street Park field for the 2000 baseball season until the fence is repaired.

All in favor

Motion carried

13. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To accept the resignation from Tom Owens as an alternate member of the Zoning Hearing Board.

All in favor

Motion carried

14. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To adopt Throop Borough Resolution # 14 of 2000 appointing Walter Rakosky as an alternate member of the Throop Borough Zoning Hearing Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Tom Owens whose term expires on July 29, 2001.

Roll call:

4 in favor - Keyasko, Chrzan, Barone, Barnick

1 against - Marushock

Motion carried

15. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To accept the resignation of Ted Zak as a member of the Civil Service Commission.

All in favor

Motion carried

16. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To adopt Throop Borough Resolution # 15 of 2000 appointing Richard Ceccacci Jr. as a member of the Civil Service Commission to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ted Zak whose term expires on May 27, 2003.

Roll call:

4 in favor - Keyasko, Chrzan, Barone, Barnick

1 against - Marushock

Motion carried

17. Motion by Marushock

Seconded by Keyasko

To authorize the purchase of approx 12 fire hydrants and installation at an approx. cost of \$1,000.00 each in conjunction with the Boulevard Project.

All in favor

Motion carried

18. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To approve the change order to add Brick St. Sanitary Sewer placement from Phase I to Phase II with the recommendation of the borough engineer.

All in favor

Motion carried

19. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To send a letter to DEP to request immediately 7 to 10 acres of land for a DPW garage salt barn/storage barn from the 48+ acres Eddy Creek Refuse Bank.

A discussion took place on the location and access to it. Franko St. access was discussed.

All in favor

Motion carried

20. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To request the Auditor General to look into the distribution of state lands involving the 48 acres.

Roll call:

4 in favor - Marushock, Chrzan, Barone, Barnick

1 against - Keyasko

Motion carried

21. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To send a letter to Senator Mellow to request immediately 7 to 10 acres of land for a DPW garage salt barn/storage barn from the 48+ acres Eddy Creek Refuse Bank.

All in favor

Motion carried

22. Motion by Marushock

Seconded by Keyasko

To send a letter to the Throop Planning Agency to request they extend the preliminary approval on the Village Square Plans for an additional 6 months.

All in favor

Motion carried

23. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Barone

To direct the solicitor to review and recommend in regards to the engineers (Bob Bernosky) survey of Sanderson St. & Oleckna St.

All in favor

Motion carried

Audience Comments:

Bette Goreschak commented on the speed limit in courts and alleys.
A discussion took place.

Jack Dolan commented on the 48 acres, calls to the solicitor and holiday decorations.

Dave Morrell said there is snow blowing into the side door. The weather strip is torn.

Joe Hudak commented on Dimmick St. He suggested to make it one-way.

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned.

Elaine Morrell

Administrator/Secretary