

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monthly Meeting
Monday, June 25, 2007
following the 6:30 p.m. work session**

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 - **P**

Secretary - Christina Sullivan - **P**

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

Announcements:

- Executive Session was held Thursday, June 14, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.
- Cow Flop - Saturday, June 30th and Sunday July 1st. Fireworks - Sunday
- Meet & Greet “Frank Andrews Shimkus”, Thursday, July 19th
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Throop Municipal Building.

There were no audience comments on the agenda.

1. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To accept the monthly zoning reports and the minutes of the May 31, 2007 council meeting.

All in favor

Motion carried

Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports

2. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To accept the treasurers' 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"	\$38,263.87
Paid bills:	\$39,815.48
General Fund Revenue Report (June)	\$115,916.59
Civic Center Revenue	\$6,915.66

All in favor

Motion carried

3. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

All in favor except Barnick, abstain on daughter

Motion carried

4. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Barone

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

All in favor

Motion carried

5. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To accept the Fund Statement, Budgeted Revenue & Expense Statement and Loan Balance as of **May 31, 2007** as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

Fund Balances	
General Fund Checking Account	\$315,659.86
General Fund Petty Cash	300.00
Payroll Checking Account	18,035.02
Tax Escrow Account	1,877.12
Invest Program	2,019,177.18
Civic Center Account	630.61
Civic Center Petty Cash	300.00
Sunny Day Fund CD's as of 3/14/07	3,674,027.34
Capital Projects Account	61,915.34
Liquid Fuels Account	82,268.11
Turnback Program	120,972.25
Fund Statement Grand Total:	\$6,295,162.83

LOANS	Balance
FNCB - LOAN	\$1,219,633.33
FNCB - TAN	\$2,000,000.00

All in favor

Motion carried

6. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To approve Scranton Craftsmen Excavating Change Order # 3 for the sum of \$8,750.00 for the Eddy Creek Sewer Project.

All in favor

Motion carried

7. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To approve Scranton Craftsmen Excavating application for payment # 2 in the amount of \$189,099.00 for the Eddy Creek Sewer Project, as per the borough engineer.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To approve Scranton Craftsmen Excavating invoice in the amount of \$1,402.50 for the asphalt restoration to the roadway at 165 Dunmore St. emergency sewer line repair.

All in favor

Motion carried

9. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To deposit \$1,089.47 in the "Tax Escrow Account". This represents 25 % of the taxes paid under protest by D&L Realty.

On the question:

Lukasewicz: What exactly is this?

Morrell: If you recall, they protested taxes a few years ago when the borough had the tax and they have been protesting. If I'm not mistaken, it is the property that they own like the landfill or around the landfill area and once they protest, we had to open up that special account. We already have a tax escrow account where we had to put 25%. So we have taxes again this year and they submitted the letter protesting again.

All in favor

Motion carried

10. Motion by Chrzan **Second by Musewicz**

To approve Peter Design Group, Inc. invoice in the amount of \$14,170.00.

All in favor Motion carried

11. Motion by Chrzan **Second by Musewicz**

To approve Scottsdale Insurance Company's invoice in the amount of \$59,253.26.

All in favor Motion carried

12. Motion by Barnick **Second by Musewicz**

To donate \$100.00 to Lackawanna County Drug Task Force.

Five in favor - Barnick, Jarosh, Musewicz, Barone, Lukasewicz
One abstain - Chrzan Motion carried

13. Motion by Chrzan **Second by Musewicz**

To adopt Throop Borough Resolution # 13 of 2007, a resolution adopting the proposed Act 537 Sewage Facilities Plan Update prepared by the LRBSA and which implements the mandates of PADEP's Chesapeake Bay Nutrient Reduction Strategy.

All in favor Motion carried

14. Motion by Chrzan **Second by Musewicz**

To adopt Throop Borough Resolution # 14 of 2007, a resolution reappointing Nick Rocco as a member of the Throop Planning Agency for a two-year term.

All in favor Motion carried

15. Motion by Chrzan

Seconded by Jarosh

To adopt Throop Borough Resolution # 15 of 2007, a resolution reappointing Anthony Amico as a member of the Throop Planning Agency for a two-year term.

All in favor

Motion carried

16. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Barone

To authorize Arnold Dietrich to install a gate and posts at the Washington Street Park Ball Field at a cost of \$1,350.00

All in favor

Motion carried

17. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To authorize Arnold Dietrich to make repairs to the back-stop and other fences as needed, as per his proposal in the amount of \$2,395.00

All in favor

Motion carried

18. Motion by Chrzan

Second by Musewicz

To accept the proposal from Mesko Glass for new windows in the three offices in the amount of \$6700.

All in favor

Motion carried

19. Motion by Barnick

Second by Chrzan

To amend the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance regarding the establishment of recreation areas, to include equipment, in accordance with minimum acreage size and/or the size of the development and to advertise the amendment, if necessary.

A discussion took place.

All in favor

Motion carried

20. Motion by Barnick

Second by Chrzan

To establish sewage connection (hook-up/tap-in) fee for the Eddy Creek line, for each new connection to the line for residential, industrial and commercial customers and to establish conveyance fees/rates in accordance with residential, industrial and commercial usage flows.

A discussion took place.

All in favor

Motion carried

Official Comments/Discussions:

Council President Lukasewicz: Playground Committee established, Councilman Chrzan, Mayor Lukowski and Councilman Musewicz.

Council Vice President Barnick: Discussed importance of Maid Rite/DEP/LRBSA correspondence to be sent by solicitor and setting parameters and guidelines for fire departments regarding “super” chief.

Audience Comments:

Dominick Rocco, 110 Sanderson Street - Bellman Street Pump Station should be priority and mentioned trees still in the river.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Christina Sullivan
Secretary
Throop Borough