

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Special Monthly Meeting
“Emergency Services”
Monday, May 1, 2000**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Barone, Vice President presided.

ROLL CALL:

Members Of Council:

Joseph Keyasko-P

Anthony Chrzan-P

George Marushock-P

Vice President - Joseph Barone-P

President - James Barnick (Mr. Barnick called and said he would be late. He arrived around 8:00 p.m.)

Robert Mraz-P

Thomas Lukasewicz-P

Mayor - Stanley Lukowski-P

Controller - Daryl Menichetti-A

Solicitor - Attorney Louis Cimini-P

Treasurer - Lenore Dolan-A

Announcements:

- The monthly council meeting for the month of May is rescheduled due to Memorial Day. The monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, May 25th immediately following the monthly work session. The work session will begin at 6:30.
- A “Tabletop Exercise” with Throop Borough’s Emergency Services regarding the Marjol Battery Site will be held on May 13th at 2:00 p.m. at Throop Hose Co. # 3, 401 Dunmore St. Borough Officials are invited to participate. (RSVP, Elaine or Lisa Ayers)
- 2000 SPRING CLEAN-UP Schedule (Schedule was printed in agenda & announced.

There were no audience comments on tonight’s agenda.

**Discussion - Emergency Services
Throop Community Ambulance Association
Throop Hose Companies # 1, #2 & #3**

Throop Community Ambulance Association Representatives:

Matt Cortazar (1018 Ridge St.), President, Ambulance Assoc. -

Mr. Cortazar informed council that the Ambulance Assoc. implemented a paid crew from Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Marushock questioned the worker's compensation.

Mr. Cortazar said the worker's compensation is covered by the ambulance assoc. for the paid crew. It's part of the agreement with.....

Mr. Keyasko asked if they are in violation of the volunteer status.

Mr. Cortazar said they are not. There are more volunteer hours than paid.

Mayor Lukowski - Two years ago we went through the same thing.

The Mayor questioned the of members and the # of active members

Mr. Cortazar did not have an exact #, he said approx. 40. He said he would supply that information to the Mayor & council.

Mr. Marushock questioned the residents being billed.

Mr. Cortazar said it's a law to bill them. He went on to say that they accept what the insurance companies pay and they do not go after individuals for payment.

Mr. Barone asked if someone does pay are they reimbursed. Matt said he would look into it because the financial secretary would have that info and she is not present this evening.

Mr. Barone said there are several complaints about the Ambulance Assoc. related to noise, their members working on their own vehicles, and not responding to calls for example a call next door.

Matt said they have a curfew of 10:00 p.m. and the members are not allowed to work on their own vehicles as of the second week of January when they voted on it at a meeting.

Dr. Gross said there are crowds (10 to 12 people) after 10:00 p.m. He also asked if there was something that can be done with the fluorescent light in the soda machine. He asked if it was necessary to have the siren on when they leave the pad.

Mr. Patchcosky complained of vulgar language during the day and the noise in the evening.

Mr. Cortazar said he would address all these issues.

Mr. Keyasko asked about transporting patients.

Matt said to ask for Throop Ambulance.

Mrs. Gross said since the ambulance is over there they haven't has a good night's sleep.

Robert Hegedus, 417 George St. - Mr. Hegedus said when a person is discharged from a hospital they can request who they want.

Mr. Barnick said the Throop Ambulance is running to other towns. He asked how does that benefit Throop?

Mr. Cortazar said it's mutual aid.

Paid crew was discussed.

Mr. Barnick asked what other municipalities have paid crews.

4. Motion by Marushock **Seconded by Keyasko**

To allocate \$200.00 to Jerry Barone, Fire Marshal, this represents ½ of the annual budget for 2000.

All in favor Motion Carried

5. Motion by Marushock **Seconded by Mraz**

To allocate \$100.00 to Jeff Granza, Assistant Fire Marshal, this represents ½ of the annual budget for 2000.

All in favor Motion Carried

6. Motion by Barnick **Seconded by Marushock**

To allocate \$100.00 to Ed Bocan, Assistant Fire Marshal, this represents ½ of the annual budget for 2000.

All in favor Motion Carried

7. Motion by Barnick **Seconded by Marushock**

To provide Hose Co. # 3 Rescue Unit \$21,586.70 for the purchase of an Evolution Thermal Imaging Camera.

All in favor Motion carried

Motion by Lukasewicz Seconded by Mraz

To adjourn.
Meeting adjourned.

Elaine Morrell
Administrator/Secretary