

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday, October 29th, 2018
Monthly 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:

Anthony Gangemi - P
Mike Chorba - P
Richard Kucharski - President - P
Charlene Tomasovitch - A
Vince Tanana - P
Wayne Williams - P
Bob Magliocchi - **Vice President - P**
Solicitor/Borough Manager - Louis A. Cimini - P
Mayor - Joe Tropiak - P
Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - P
Secretary - Renee O’Malley - P
Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Robin Galli - P

Announcements:

* Veterans Day Services will be held on Sunday, November 11th, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Municipal Building and at 11:00 a.m. at the VFW Memorial on Boulevard Avenue.

* The Municipal Building will be closed on Monday, November 12th, 2018 in observance of Veterans Day and Thursday, November 22nd, 2018 in observance of Thanksgiving.

Work Session/Meetings:

- * There will be a Budget Work Session on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 6:00 pm.
- * The Nov. mid month work session/meeting for Tuesday, Nov. 13th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
- * The Nov. monthly work session/meeting will be held on Monday, Nov. 26th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight’s agenda.

1. Motion by Williams **Seconded by Tanana**

To accept the monthly zoning reports and the minutes of the September 25th and October 15th, 2018 council meetings.

All in favor **Motion carried**

Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports:

2. Motion by Tanana **Seconded by Williams**

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"	\$51,891.64
Paid bills:	\$108,445.96
General Fund Revenue Report (includes transfers from GF MMKT TO GF CK)	\$1,387,691.44
Civic Center Revenue Report	September - \$26,919.63 October - \$24,154.56

All in favor **Motion carried**

3. Motion by Williams **Seconded by Tanana**

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

**All in favor except Kucharski
abstained on granddaughter** **Motion carried**

4. **Motion by Tanana** **Seconded by Williams**

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

All in favor **Motion carried**

5. **Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Tanana**

To accept the Fund Statement, Budgeted Revenue & Expense Statement as of September 30th, 2018 and/or printed on the agenda.

Fund Balances:	
General Fund Checking Account - FNCB	\$56,071.71
General Fund Performance Money Market - FNCB	\$817,550.42
Civic Center Account-FNC	\$2,391.24
General Fund Petty Cash	\$300.00
Payroll Checking Account-FNCB	\$15,767.02
Sunny Day Fund MMKT CK Acct-FNCB	\$3,931,904.07
Sunny Day Fund CD's	\$4,233,636.42
Liquid Fuels Account - FNCB	\$257,313.47
Fund Statement Grand Total:	\$9,314,934.35

All in favor **Motion carried**

6. **Motion by Tanana** **Seconded by Chorba**

To deposit \$47,936.71 in the Sunny Day Fund MMKT checking account at FNCB. This represents 5% of the Host Municipal Landfill Fee check received Oct. 2018.

On the question:

Kucharski: Something that I wanted to point out is that the revenue that we receive continues to drop but slightly this quarter was a little more. I was looking back at the previous years but as far as this year is concerned this quarter is the best. Total received is \$3,601,901.55 and again that is

a slight drop from last year and a more significant drop than the previous years so I just wanted to point that out that the revenue does continue to decrease slightly but decrease.

All in favor

Motion carried

7. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Chorba

To enter into a three year agreement with Comcast Business Class for Voice Edge Phone System for Borough Building, Civic Center, Police Station and DPW as per proposal, to include two additional Polycom 411 with side bar.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To increase the School Resource Officers rate of pay to \$25.00 hourly, effective immediately.

On the question:

Kucharski: There is correspondence in the packet that this has been agreed upon by the Mid Valley School Board and a letter was sent from the Superintendent to us notifying us. So essentially the money is coming from the school to the Borough.

All in favor

Motion carried

9. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To authorize payment in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Duda Actuarial Consulting for the 2018 actuarial cost study for the Non Uniformed Pension Plan (payment will be paid from the asset of the fund).

All in favor

Motion carried

10. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Gangemi

To accept Bette Goreschak's letter of resignation from the Planning Commission dated 10/23/18 effective immediately.

On the question:

Tanana asked that a letter be sent to Bette thanking her for her many years of service with the Borough.

All in favor

Motion carried

11. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To adopt a Resolution appointing Dennis Pabis to the Planning Commission to fill the remaining term vacated by Bette Goreschak.

All in favor

Motion carried

12. Motion by Chorba

Seconded by Tanana

To accept the estimate prepared by Paul Menendez for the replacement of the inlet in front of Nivert at a cost of \$21,875.26 for the agility program.

All in favor

Motion carried

13. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Chorba

To authorize Council President to execute a cost sharing agreement with Pennsylvania American Water Company for the Dunmore Street pave restoration and overlay.

All in favor

Motion carried

14. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To award the contract for a new roof at the Police Department to the lowest most responsible bidder pending legal review.

All in favor

Motion carried

15. Motion by Williams

Seconded by Tanana

To donate \$200.00 to the Valley Community Library.

All in favor

Motion carried

Official Comments:

Tanana: You said that we were going to discuss later the motion passed last meeting to purchase the cascade system. It was pending legal review and; Lou, your legal review

Magliocchi: It was co stars pricing right?

Hegedus: Yea.

Magliocchi: Same thing we did with the playground.

Hegedus: It's co stars approved. In PA.

Magliocchi: Which was the lowest price anyway right?

Hegedus: Yes.

Gangemi: Can't we wait for this meeting to occur to see what

Tanana: We already made the motion and passed it.

Chorba: Everybody voted on it.

Talking at once.

Tanana: The only thing we would have to do is what make a motion to direct 18,000 of DCED money?

Cimini: Yes.

Tanana: The 18,000 DCED money *inaudible*

Kucharski: Do you have the wording Lou I mean of the grant?

No comments from the audience on the motion.

Chorba: Andy, nothing against you on this next comment, are we going to, is this going to be Borough owned or is this going to be Volunteer Hose Co.'s

Hegedus: We have no problem with the Borough owning it.

Tanana: Anything we buy from this point on will be Borough owned. It should've been that way for any amount over a certain amount.

Chorba: I just don't want any gray areas down the road.

Hegedus: That's very well understood.

Tanana: I mean Mike because we got burnt right across the street. We paid for that building twice. Once to build it and the second time I think \$165,000.00 to get it back as a police station. Because of the errors of the past Council back in 1991.

Chorba: It's going to be a Borough piece of equipment that's on loan to Volunteer Hose Co.

Magliocchi: Same thing as the apparatus.

Hegedus: Absolutely.

Kucharski: Stationed at the

Hegedus: Yes.

_____: How long does it take?

Hegedus: They have to come up and do a measurement, I don't need make up air in the room that we are going to put it in so I would say if I tell him to order it I would say in January some time.

_____: What's the maintenance on it?

Hegedus: I would say once a year. Clean some filters. The fill tanks are, we went with the 10 year ones instead of the NMES so because they are lifetime but double the money.

Chorba: You guys are just going to get your own air and we'll service it

Hegedus: We'll make our own air.

Gangemi: And you have to get training.

Hegedus: And they include the training. Yes. They are the same people who service all the breathing apparatus in town and a lot of the people in the valley. The salesman is from Chinchilla.

16. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Chorba

To submit an amended budget to DCED for the \$65,000.00 Grant to put \$18,000.00 towards a cascade system.

All in favor

Motion carried

There were no audience comments.

The meeting was adjourned.

Meeting minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary