

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday, September 30th, 2019
Monthly Work Session/Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Members of Council:

Anthony Gangemi - A

Mike Chorba - A

Richard Kucharski - President - P

Charlene Tomasovitch - P

Vince Tanana - P

Wayne Williams - P

Bob Magliocchi - **Vice President - P**

Solicitor/Borough Manager - Louis A. Cimini - Left early

Mayor - Joe Tropiak - P

Assistant Treasurer - Lenore Dolan - A

Secretary - Renee O'Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Robin Galli - P

* Mayor Tropiak read the 3 Proclamations for the Quasquicentennial. See attached.

* Kucharski mentioned the correspondence received from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Financing Authority regarding the Flood Mitigation Fund Program. Letter stated that they are unable to provide financial assistance.

Announcements:

* An executive session was held this evening at 6:00 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

* The Borough Shred Event is scheduled for Saturday, October 5th, 2019 from 10 am to 1 pm

* Throop Civic Center will hold a "Trunk or Treat" on Sunday, October 27th, 2019 from 6 pm to 9 pm.

Work Session/Meetings:

* The Oct. mid month work session/meeting will be held on Monday, Oct. 14th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

* The Oct. monthly work session/meeting will be held on Monday, Oct. 28th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight's agenda.

1. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To accept the monthly zoning reports and the minutes of the Sept. 9th, 2019 and Sept. 23rd, 2019 council meetings.

All in favor

Motion carried

Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports:

2. Motion by Magliocchi

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"	\$114,675.02
Paid bills:	\$99,449.01
General Fund Revenue Report (includes transfers from GF MMKT TO GF CK)	\$515,692.05
Civic Center Revenue Report	\$23,486.40

All in favor

Motion carried

3. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Magliocchi

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

**All in favor except Tomasovitch
abstained on husband, Williams on
daughter & Kucharski on granddaughter**

Motion carried

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

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

All in favor

Motion carried

5. Motion by Magliocchi **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To accept the Fund Statement, Budgeted Revenue & Expense Statement as of August 31st, 2019 as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

Fund Balances:	
General Fund Checking Account - FNCB	\$82,485.71
Seniors Activities Account - FNCB	\$520.00
Seniors Contracted Account - FNCB	\$860.54
General Fund Performance Money Market - FNCB	\$974,075.74
Civic Center Account-FNCB	\$2,028.98
General Fund Petty Cash	\$300.00
Payroll Checking Account-FNCB	\$6,723.08
Sunny Day Fund MMKT CK Acct-FNCB	\$3,793,054.11
Sunny Day Fund CD's	\$4,316,578.36
Liquid Fuels Account - FNCB	\$179,841.68
Fund Statement Grand Total:	\$9,356,468.20

All in favor

Motion carried

6. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To submit payments to the Non-Uniform Pension Plan in the amount of \$81,928.00 and the Police Pension Plan in the amount of \$61,445.97. This represents the 2019 Commonwealth Allocation of General Municipal Pension System State Aid that was received on 9/16/2019 in the amount of \$143,373.97

On the question:

Magliocchi just clarified that it says to submit payment, not accept.

**All in favor except Tomasovitch
abstained on Non Uniform**

Motion carried

7. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To authorize payment in the amount of \$20,511.87 to the Throop Volunteer Firemen's Relief Fund. This amount represents the 2019 Commonwealth Allocation supporting the Volunteer Fire Relief Association.

On the question:

Williams questioned what it was last year.

Galli added it was 18,000 something. Get a check in so have to pay it out.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Magliocchi

Seconded by Williams

To authorize payment in the amount of \$2,500.00 to Duda Actuarial Consulting for preparation of the actuarial cost study for the proposed post-retirement medical benefit as part of the police contract negotiations.

Galli added that it comes from the general fund and not from the assets of the account.

All in favor

Motion carried

13. Motion by Williams

Seconded by Magliocchi

To authorize a 30 day extension to National Book for the building expansion.

All in favor

Motion carried

14. Motion by Williams

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To adopt Resolution # 14 of 2019, a resolution reappointing Bill Buza as a member of the Throop Borough Civil Service Commission for a 6 year term expiring Sept. 30, 2025.

All in favor

Motion carried

15. Motion by Williams

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To hire Michael Repecki as a part time police officer at hourly rate of \$18.50, pending clearances.

All in favor

Motion carried

16. Motion by Tomasovitch

Seconded by Williams

To hire Michael Gervasi as a part time police officer at hourly rate of \$18.50, pending clearances.

All in favor

Motion carried

21. Motion by Tomasovitch

Seconded by Magliocchi

To authorize the purchase of 26 District Champion All Star player fleeces & 6 coaches fleeces at an amount of \$1,200.00.

All in favor

Motion carried

22. Motion by Williams

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To hire Corey Shevchik as the Civic Center Director at an annual salary of \$45,000.00 effective immediately.

All in favor

Motion carried

There were no audience comments.

Official Comments:

Kucharski mentioned that 2 signs were donated for \$600.00 by TEC for the District 32 9, 10 & 11 year olds & the 11 & 12 year old All Star players names, champions etc. They are hung on the dugout at the Little League field.

Kucharski asked Galli to look into firework prices.

Hegedus added that need to find out the number of explosives they are setting off during the period.

The meeting was adjourned.

**Meeting minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary**

County Commissioners



Lackawanna County
Pennsylvania

Proclamation

- Whereas,* on April 16, 1894, the Borough of Throop, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, was incorporated; today, we honor the borough and its residents, past and present, as it celebrates its Quasiquicentennial, 125th Anniversary;
- Whereas,* the first attempts to have Throop cut off from Dickson City Borough and made into a separate subdivision failed in 1888 and again in 1893; finally a petition signed by all but eight residents of the village and section was presented to the court and confirmed.
- Whereas,* Throop, named after Civil War surgeon Dr. Benjamin H. Throop, is home to what is understood as the land where anthracite coal was first mined in Lackawanna County – at the old Anderson farm.
- Whereas,* when incorporated, Throop had a population of 1,639 residents, 266 dwellings, nine hotels, eight stores, two storehouses, two churches, its own post office, one grade school with four teachers in a small one-room school, a butcher shop and a colliery. Today, Throop has a population of 4,088 with just over 1,400 single-family homes.
- Now Therefore,* We, Patrick M. O'Malley, Jerry Notarianni and Lauren A. Cummings, Commissioners of the County of Lackawanna, Pennsylvania, do hereby acknowledge and proclaim July 10, 2019, as:

"Throop Quasiquicentennial Day"
In Lackawanna County

In witness thereof, we have hereunto set our hand and caused the seal of the Commissioners of Lackawanna County to be affixed this 10th day of July 2019.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Thomas M. Cortese

Attest

Patrick M. O'Malley

Chairman

Jerry Notarianni

Commissioner

Lauren A. Cummings

Commissioner

Senate of Pennsylvania



HARRISBURG, PA

Congratulations

In the Senate, April 23, 2019

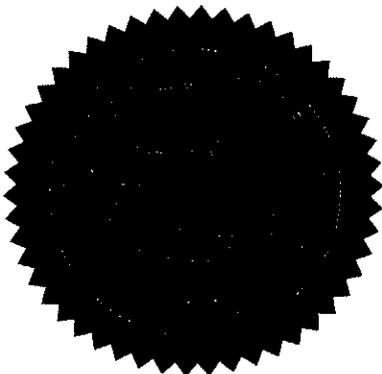
Whereas, *The Senate of Pennsylvania is always pleased to recognize those esteemed communities which, through the observance of significant events in their history, contribute to preserving the continuity of Pennsylvania's great heritage; and*

Whereas, *The Borough of Throop is celebrating the momentous occasion of its one hundred twenty-fifth anniversary; and*

Whereas, *Named for Dr. Benjamin H. Throop, an active member of the community who developed the Hyde Park area, Throop Borough was incorporated on April 16, 1894, after separating from Dickson City Borough. The first anthracite coal mined in Lackawanna County was discovered in the borough on the Anderson Farm in 1814. Throughout its rich history, Throop Borough has been blessed with dedicated civic leaders who have helped it to grow and flourish, as well as diligent and productive citizens who have helped it to become an inspiring presence in this Commonwealth.*

Now therefore, *the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania heartily congratulates the Borough of Throop on the momentous and joyous occasion of its one hundred twenty-fifth anniversary; offers best wishes for growth and prosperity in the years to come;*

And directs *that a copy of this document, sponsored by Senator John P. Blake, be transmitted to the Borough of Throop, 436 Sanderson Street, Throop, Pennsylvania.*



Handwritten signature of Senator John P. Blake in black ink.

Senator John P. Blake

Handwritten signature of Joseph Scarnati III in black ink.

Joseph Scarnati III, President Pro Tempore

Attest:

Handwritten signature of Megan Martin in black ink.

Megan Martin, Secretary

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



The House of Representatives

Citation

Whereas, It always is with a deep sense of pride that the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania recognizes those communities that strive to preserve the traditions of the past as they encourage the strength and growth of community spirit in the present and for future generations; and

Whereas, The Borough of Throop is being congratulated upon the momentous occasion of its one hundred twenty-fifth anniversary; and

Whereas, Throop Borough was incorporated on April 16, 1894, after a petition was signed to separate the area from Dickson City Borough. Lauded as having the first anthracite mined in Lackawanna County in 1814, Throop became a thriving coal town. A valuable presence in this Commonwealth, Throop Borough is a community which has always been blessed with steadfast citizens, concerned community and civic-minded leaders, lasting traditions and a resilient spirit that have helped it to thrive for one hundred twenty-five years and prepared it to meet the challenges of the future.

Now therefore, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pays tribute to the Borough of Throop upon the momentous occasion of its one hundred twenty-fifth anniversary; affirmatively states that its wealth of contributions over the years is a vital facet of this Commonwealth's rich history; extends sincere best wishes for the continuation of its most worthy endeavors in the years to come;

And directs that a copy of this citation, sponsored by the Honorable Kyle J. Mullins on May 30, 2019, be transmitted to the Borough of Throop, 436 Sanderson Street, Throop, Pennsylvania 18512.



Kyle J. Mullins

Kyle J. Mullins, Sponsor

Mike Turzai

Mike Turzai, Speaker of the House

Attest:

David Reddecliff

David Reddecliff, Chief Clerk of the House