

**Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Monday, January 11th, 2021
Special Work Session/Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Members of Council:

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

Announcements:

* A Zoom Zoning Public Hearing on the Zoning Ordinance is scheduled for January 14th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Work Session/Meetings:

- * The Jan. monthly work session/meeting will be held on Mon. Jan. 25th, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
- * The Feb. mid-month work session/meeting will be held on Mon. Feb. 8th, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
- * The Feb. monthly work session/meeting will be held on Mon. Feb. 22nd, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight's agenda.

- 1. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Tanana**

To accept the minutes of the Dec. 14th, 2020 council meeting.

All in favor **Motion carried**

Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports:

- 2. Motion by Tanana** **Seconded by Tomasovitch**

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.

Paid bills:	Dec. -\$1,015,331.02
General Fund Revenue Report (includes transfers from GF MMKT TO GF CK)	Dec. - \$1,138,185.10
Civic Center Revenue Report	Dec. - \$13,445.55

All in favor **Motion carried**

- 3. Motion by Tanana** **Seconded by Gangemi**

To adopt Ordinance #1 of 2021, an ordinance re-enacting the tax rate on assessed valuation of the Borough of Throop for the year 2021, shall be as follows, for general purposes, the sum of five (5) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

All in favor **Motion carried**

- 4. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Tanana**

To adopt Ordinance # 2 of 2021, a Short-Term Rental Ordinance for Throop Borough.

On the question:

Gangemi asked if there are any short-term rentals in the Borough.

Andy Hegedus replied that he believes the Iron Rail is all short-term rental. Gangemi questioned if this is different than what we had in the past? We never had this Ordinance before right? Cimini added Jack Varaly emailed that when drafting the Zoning Ordinance he noted that the inclusion of short term rentals would require a subsequent companion ordinance that provides separate and specific regulations for short term rentals. That is this Ordinance. Gangemi questioned if we will now inspect the Iron Rail with this Ordinance. Hegedus added that they have to apply with a rental registration.

All in favor
(Magliocchi left meeting)

Motion carried

5. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Chorba

To ratify the 2021 pay rate increase as per the 2021 adopted budget.

On the question:

Kucharski questioned this pay increase.

Galli responded that it is the rates for the budget. The Department heads, Attorney.

Kucharski so it is just nonunion covered employees. He also added that he got a call from a Civic Center employee (not his granddaughter) upset that they were the only employees that did not get a raise. He told them they could come to a meeting.

All in favor
(Magliocchi left meeting)

Motion carried

6. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by

To authorize council president to execute the four-year agreement between Throop Borough and Teamsters 229 effective March 24, 2020.

Gangemi questioned if this was thoroughly read by Lou and Robert. To verify that the language was what you expected it to read.

Cimini added that it has not been prepared yet. The union is preparing it now.

Chorba questioned if they could vote on it because there is nothing in the packet for them to review or read to acknowledge it.

Gangemi would like to see or make sure it was read because he understands that last time there was omissions and you had to live with what was omitted.

Cimini added that that is fine. Expects it later this week.

Tomasovitch added that Craig has to start moving and questioned if it would be a separate check.

Galli: Yes. Craig said he didn't want to type it up until it was approved.

Cimini said he sent bullet points but will talk to him tomorrow.
Gangemi also added that there was clean up language that they wanted straightened out.

Motion failed due to lack of Second.

7. Motion by Tanana Seconded by Gangemi

To authorize payment in the amount of \$800.00 to Duda Actuarial Consulting for the 2020 Actuarial Cost Study for the Non-Uniform Pension Plan (payment will be paid from the assets of the fund)

All in favor
(Magliocchi left meeting)

Motion carried

8. Motion by Tomasovitch Seconded by Chorba

To authorize the Borough Engineer to do a traffic study for no parking on the Easterly side of Charles Street between North Street and Sanderson Street.

All in favor
(Magliocchi left meeting)

Motion carried

Chorba questioned how addressing with the public now that it's Zoom.
Paper and website.

Gangemi asked for the Meeting dates to be reviewed that were at beginning of meeting.
Galli corrected the upcoming meeting dates.

Tomasovitch asked Lou to get on Craig because the contract is coming up again and another raise.

The meeting was adjourned.

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