

**Minutes  
Throop Borough Council  
Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021  
Monthly 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 - P

Bob Magliocchi - **Vice President - A**

**Solicitor/Borough Manager** - Louis A. Cimini - P

**Mayor** - Joe Tropiak - P

Secretary - Renee O'Malley - P

Chief Clerk/Treasurer - Robin Galli - P

**Announcement:**

\* An executive session is scheduled this evening at 5:30 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

**Work Session/Meetings:**

\* See motion below.

**Kucharski added that Motion #10 is the setting for the 2022 meeting schedule.**

**There were no audience comments on tonight's agenda.**

**Bid Opening: Real Estate-Vacant Lot 522 Dunmore Street – Minimum Bid \$17,500.00**

Bidder: Name	Bid Amount	Certified/Cashier's Check 10% of the Bid Amount
Carmen & Joseph DiPietro	\$18,501.00	\$1,805.10
Paulette Shank	\$18,522.00	\$1,852.20

- 1. Motion by: Tomasovitch** **Seconded by Williams**

To submit the bids to the solicitor for review.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

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

To accept the November and December Zoning Reports and the minutes of the November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, council meeting.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports:**

- 3. Motion by Williams** **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.

Unpaid bills: "Items for Payment"	<b>\$22,612.56</b>
Paid bills:	<b>\$77,503.89</b>
General Fund Revenue Report (Includes transfers from GF MMKT TO GF CK) (as of Dec. 20, 2021)	<b>\$1,059,704.08</b>
Civic Center Revenue Report (as of Dec. 20, 2021)	<b>\$6,857.63</b>

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

4. **Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Chorba**

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

**All in favor except** **Motion carried**  
**Tomasovitch abstained on husband**  
**and Kucharski on granddaughter**

5. **Motion by Williams** **Seconded by Tanana**

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

6. **Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Chorba**

To accept the Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Statement as of November 30, 2021, as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

<b>Fund Balances:</b>	
General Fund Checking Account – FNCB	\$143,459.70
American Rescue Plan Funds – FNCB	\$203,930.83
Seniors Activities Account – FNCB	\$10.00
Seniors Contracted Account – FNCB	\$19,691.23
General Fund Performance Money Market - FNCB	1,222,496.67
Civic Center Account-FNCB	\$3,714.36
General Fund Petty Cash	\$300.00
Payroll Checking Account-FNCB	\$40,801.18
Sunny Day Fund MMKT CK Acct-FNCB	\$7,848,991.61
Liquid Fuels Account – FNCB	\$32.91
<b>Fund Statement Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$9,483,428.49</b>

**All in favor** **Motion carried**

**7. Motion by Tanana Seconded by Williams**

To adopt Ordinance # 7 of 2021, an ordinance replacing the lost or destroyed ordinance establishing the Throop Police Department.

**All in favor Motion carried**

**8. Motion by Williams Seconded by Gangemi**

To advertise Ordinance #1 of 2022, an ordinance re-enacting a tax on assessed valuation.

**All in favor Motion carried**

**9. Motion by Tomasovitch Seconded by Tanana**

To re-appoint Andy Hegedus as Borough Fire Chief for a 2-year term beginning January 1, 2022.

**All in favor Motion carried**

**10. Motion by Tanana Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To advertise the 2022 Borough Council Work Session/Meetings. Council work session/meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and last Tuesday of the month. The work sessions will begin at 6:30 p.m. meetings will follow. Any re-scheduling will be advertised. Cancellations will be posted. Meetings are held in council chambers. The Re-Organization meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6:30. p.m. There will be one meeting for June, July and August on the last Tuesday of the month and one meeting in December on Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**All in favor Motion carried**

**11. Motion by Gangemi** **Seconded by Chorba**

To adopt the 2022 General Fund and Liquid Fuels budgets.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**12. Motion by Chorba** **Seconded by Tanana**

To authorize payment in the amount of \$8,750.00 to Volunteer Hose Company for the 4th quarter allotment.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**13. Motion by Tanana** **Seconded by Gangemi**

To appoint Andy Hegedus as the Boroughs EMA Coordinator effective January 1, 2022 at no salary.

Kucharski added that Mr. Hegedus agreed to take on this additionally with no salary. Hegedus thanked the Council.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**14. Motion by Tanana** **Seconded by Williams**

To adopt Resolution # 13 of 2021, a resolution entering into a Cooperation Agreement with Lackawanna County for the Throop Borough Washington Street Park ADA Accessibility Improvement Project.

On the question:

Tanana added that coming out of DCED money had banked and questioned if we had lost any. Attorney Cimini replied no.

Williams – Hegedus replied that everything was being extended.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**15. Motion by Tanana**

**Seconded by Williams**

To authorize execution of a Memorandum of Understanding creating additional ranks within the Throop Borough Police Department of Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Police Officer First Class with corresponding salary increase for Sergeant and Lieutenant.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**16. Motion by Chorba**

**Seconded by Tanana**

To adopt Resolution #14 of 2021, a resolution adding a permit late fee of \$200.00 to the fee schedule for all permits issued after the start of construction. This will apply to all Zoning, UCC and Rental Registration permit.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**17. Motion by Tanana**

**Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To adopt Resolution #15 of 2021 reappointing Thomas Carr as a member of the Throop Borough Planning Agency for a four-year term expiring on December 21, 2025.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

**18. Motion by Tanana**

**Seconded by Tomasovitch**

To adopt Resolution #16 of 2021 reappointing Anthony Amico as a member of the Throop Borough Planning Agency for a four-year term expiring on December 21, 2025.

**All in favor**

**Motion carried**

Official comments:

Tomasovitch commented that the Santa Parade was very nice. Questioned why #1 was not there. Hegedus replied that Comstock said he would be hunting however they did make the fire that evening with 5 members.

**The meeting was adjourned.**

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