

Minutes
Throop Borough Council
Tuesday, August 30, 2022
Monthly Work Session/Meeting 6:30 p.m.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Members of Council:

Anthony Gangemi - P
Matthew Chorba - P
Richard Kucharski – **President - P**
Charlene Tomasovitch - P
Vince Tanana -P
Wayne Williams - P
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

Announcement:

Work Session/Meetings:

- * An Executive Session was held this evening at 6:00 pm for Legal and Personnel matters.
- * The Sept. Monthly work session/meeting will be held on Tue. Sept. 13th, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
- * The Sept. Mid Month work session/meeting will be held on Tue. Sept. 27th, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no audience comments on tonight's agenda.

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

To accept the July zoning reports and the minutes of the July 26th, 2022, council meeting.

All in favor **Motion carried**

Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Reports:

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

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"	\$93,793.03
Paid bills:	\$163,293.75
General Fund Revenue Report (Includes transfers from GF MMKT TO GF CK)	\$651,605.05
Civic Center Revenue	\$38,521.25

All in favor **Motion carried**

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

To pay all the employees of Throop Borough.

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

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

To accept the correspondence as read or posted.

All in favor

Motion carried

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

To accept the Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Statement as of July 31st, 2022, as posted and/or printed on the agenda.

Fund Balances:	
General Fund Checking Account – FNCB	\$52,756.35
American Rescue Plan Funds – FNCB	\$487.99
Throop Zoning - FNCB	\$111.29
Seniors Activities Account – FNCB	\$30.00
Seniors Contracted Account – FNCB	\$20,696.05
General Fund Performance Money Market - FNCB	\$1,139,561.37
Civic Center Account- FNCB	\$1,087.07
General Fund Petty Cash	\$300.00
Payroll Checking Account- FNCB	\$5,637.88
Sunny Day Fund MMKT CK Acct- FNCB	\$7,960,981.79
Liquid Fuels Account – FNCB	\$121,521.00
Fund Statement Grand Total:	\$9,303,170.79

All in favor

Motion carried

6. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To reimburse Mayor Tropiak in the amount of \$574.67 for the Pennsylvania State Mayor's Conference held in Lancaster, PA.

All in favor

Motion carried

7. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To accept the proposal received from Jack Devine Gym Floor Restorations in the amount of \$2,955.00 to clean & recoat the Civic Center gym floor.

All in favor

Motion carried

8. Motion by Williams

Seconded by Tanana

To adopt Ordinance #3 of 2022, an ordinance regulating nuisance and abandoned vehicles within the borough and providing for penalties for violations thereof.

On the question:

Tomasovitch asked if this means cars parked in yards.

Hegedus replied yes and on streets. If they're not registered, inspected, or does not have insurance. Includes trailers, boats. Pretty thorough.

Kucharski asked if there is a limit (INAUDIBLE)

Hegedus: Criteria I believe is how frequent they move.

Tomasovitch added that there is a lot of them.

Hegedus replied that he believes we're starting with 100.

All in favor

Motion carried

9. Motion by Williams

Seconded by Tanana

To adopt Ordinance #4 of 2022, an ordinance establishing parking restrictions on the northerly side of Meade Street in between the firehouse driveway and Dunmore Street for volunteer firefighters and to restrict parking entirely on the southerly side of Meade Street between Green Street and Dunmore Street.

All in favor

Motion carried

10. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Tanana

To adopt Ordinance #5 of 2022, an ordinance restricting trucks over 40 feet in length on Edgar Street, consistent with Reilly Associates revised Traffic Assessment dated September 8, 2021.

On the question:

Gangemi questioned if signs will be put up.

Cimini replied yes.

All in favor

Motion carried

11. Motion by Williams

Seconded by Tomasovitch

To adopt Resolution #11 of 2022, a resolution authorizing the Board of Commissioners of Lackawanna County to submit an application for Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Community Development Block Grant Program Funds in the amount of \$95,246.00 on behalf of the Borough of Throop.

All in favor

Motion carried

12. Motion by Tomasovitch

Seconded by Williams

To donate \$100.00 to Mid Valley Girls Soccer Team.

All in favor

Motion carried

13. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Williams

To advertise Ordinance #6 of 2022, an ordinance designating a turnaround area for residents at the easterly dead end of Washington Street.

On the question:

Kucharski stated that we are creating a turn around area but we're not putting a no parking sign on the easterly sign which has been the problem. Widened the road but if you have fed ex they have to back all the way back down to first intersection.

Cimini felt the report included no parking. Could include all recommendations provided in report by Reilly. The no parking is in the Ordinance.

All in favor

Motion carried

14. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Tanana

To accept the renewal proposal received from Joyce, Jackman & Bell for the borough's liability insurance in the amount of \$122,575.00, effective 9/4/2022.

All in favor

Motion carried

15. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Tanana

To approve NC Outdoor Solutions invoice in the amount of \$10,820 for the sewer lateral repair work at 921 Dunmore Street.

**All in favor except
Tomasovitch abstained due to son
working at NC Outdoors**

Motion carried

16. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To approve the invoice from James T. O'Hara Inc. in the amount of \$17,850.00 for the sewer lateral repair work performed at 614 Cypress Street.

All in favor

Motion carried

17. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Tanana

To reimburse Elaine Slabota in the amount of \$400.00 for work performed by Richard Kaminski to relieve a blockage in the sewer lateral at 715 Murray Street. That was determined by the DPW to be in the street.

All in favor

Motion carried

18. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Williams

To accept the proposal received from Appel Technology Solutions in the amount of \$11,717.08 for Municipal Building Camera System, Civic Center Camera additions and PD network upgrade.

All in favor

Motion carried

19. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To approve James T. O'Hara's Application for Payment #4, in the amount of \$23,939.65, for work performed on the Sulphur Creek Stream Stabilization Project.

All in favor

Motion carried

20. Motion by Tomasovitch

Seconded by Williams

To hire Katie Wilson for part time Civic Center help, pending clearances at the prevailing rates.

All in favor

Motion carried

21. Motion by Tomasovitch

Seconded by Tanana

To hire Mia Pawelski for part time Civic Center help, pending clearances at the prevailing rates.

All in favor

Motion carried

22. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Tanana

To amend the agenda.

All in favor

Motion carried

23. Motion by Tanana

Seconded by Williams

To send a letter to Mid Valley School District informing them that for all events Throop Police Officers attend, we will be billing \$65.00 an hour for full time officers and \$34.50 an hour for part time officers, in addition to a \$5.00 an hour fee for administration costs beginning September 6, 2022.

All in favor

Motion carried

24. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Chorba

To donate the 2010 Chevy Impala to Mid Valley School District.

All in favor

Motion carried

25. Motion by Gangemi

Seconded by Williams

To reimburse James Smith, 509 George St., \$215.00 for trapping 2 Woodchucks and 1 raccoon.

All in favor

Motion carried

A discussion took place with the Mayor about donating to the Valley Community Library. Council replied to have it on for motion next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Renee O'Malley
Borough Secretary