

TARENTUM BOROUGH  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES  
MAY 2, 2017

6:30 Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Pres Eric Carter reminded everyone that the meeting is recorded.

**ATTENDING:** Carrie Fox, Adam Blythe, Eric Carter, Rhonda Dzugan, Tim Cornuet, Greg Schmitt, Mayor Magnetta, Manager Gutonski, Solicitor Regoli, Chief Vakulick

Absent- Erika Josefoski

Motion by Carrie Fox second by Tim Cornuet to approve the minutes from April 4, 2017 also the Special Meetings held April 13, 2017 President Carter stated that the meeting was held to no accept the bid and rebid the fence project at Grandview Elementary and the April 20, 2017 to approve the sale of the W 7th Ave property. Motion carried

**CITIZENS COMMENTS:**

1. Cindy Homberg reported on the third event celebrating Tarentum's 175th Anniversary. She reported approximately 60 people attended the showing of The Girl in the Red Velvet Swing. The next event will be Henry Brackenridge's birthday on May 11, 2017 from noon to 2:00 pm
2. Jim Bowser stated he wanted the veterans banner that he purchased for his dad put up in West Tarentum. Carrie Fox said the banners are being placed along E 6th and E 10th Ave. He stated he wanted his dad's banner and he will place it in West Tarentum by himself. A discuss followed
3. John Figler asked if a Do Not Enter sign could be erected on Corbet St for Stevenson Alley, that he has almost been hit there several times with people going the wrong way. Manager Gutonski asked if there were One Way signs there, Mr. Figler said yes, but maybe they should be lowered so they are easier to see.
4. Martin Bertolino asked if there was any movement on the repairs to his building. Manager Gutonski turned the question over to Solicitor Regoli. Solicitor Regoli said the Borough could do nothing, that the contractor was paid through a grant from Allegheny County, Mr. Bertolino asked why he would be responsible because he did nothing to the building. A discussion followed.

5. Bill Mayhue thanked Chris Fabec for getting 2 properties on W 10th Ave cleaned up.

6. Larry Troutman asked how long someone has to complete a repair on a sidewalk. He was referring to Gillettes property along Corbet St and 2nd Ave. CEO Fabec said there is no real time limit per the ordinance, he said he will talk to them. Mr. Troutman also questioned the property located at 227 2nd Ave, there is junk in the yard and they are running a business out of the property. CEO Fabec reported the property owner is deceased and he can't cite his son in law.

**PRESIDENTS REPORT:**

1. Pres Carter stated the Special Meetings were held to discuss the bid on the fencing for Grandview Elementary and for the sale of the W 7th Ave property

**MAYORS REPORT:**

1. Mayor Magnetta reported the Calls of Service for March 2017

|                              |            |                  |            |
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| Calls of Service             | 472        | Action Necessary | 243        |
| No Action Necessary          | 229        | Arrests          | 27         |
| Citations Issued             | 102        | Total Accidents  | 9          |
| Accidents with injuries      | 0          | Fines Collected  | \$3,550.92 |
| Fines collected for the year | \$8,095.63 |                  |            |
| Parking tickets issued       | 9          |                  |            |

2. Mayor Magnetta asked Chief Vakulick to report on the monitor the Recreation Board purchased for the Police Dept for the security cameras at Riverview Park. This new monitor will make it easier for the police to watch the park for vandalism 24/7. Greg Schmitt asked when the vandalism is occurring, the Chief stated different areas. Mayor Magnetta stated, that anyone caught vandalizing the park will be prosecuted when they are caught.

3. Mayor Magnetta stated the 175th Anniversary Celebration is going very well, and thanked the Recreation Board for all their hard work

**POLICE CHIEFS REPORT:**

1. Nothing at this time

**MANAGERS REPORT:**

1. Manager Gutonski reported that the only bid received for the fence at Grandview was from Allegheny Fence and council rejected the bid because it was high. They rebid the project and Allegheny Fence was again the only bid received and it was higher than their first bid, this bid was also rejected.

2. Manager Gutonski reported that he contacted COSTAR for bids on the fence for

Grandview, he explained that the borough did not have to advertise for bids because they used COSTAR.

3. Manager Gutonski reported the work on the 4th Ave Bridge was going well, the old span is gone and they are working on the banks.

4. Manager Gutonski reported that the bids for street paving came in lower than anticipated and the borough maybe able to add more streets.

5. Manager Gutonski reported about attending a program regarding asbestos removal and that the county is basically hand cuffing the Borough with the new rules. The county is holding the Borough to different guidelines than the private sector. This change is holding up demolitions with more time and planning. Carrie Fox said that Tom Benecki is forwarding the presentation on asbestos procedures

6. Manager Gutonski reported that he and Carrie Fox will be going to Harrisburg with several other Borough's that distribute their own electric. There is a PA Representative that wants to restrict the money made through the power business and would not be permitted to use the electric funds for general fund business.

**SOLICITORS REPORT:**

1. Mr. Regoli stated all the papers have been signed and forwarded for the W 7th Ave Project, stating everything on the Borough's side is done

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ADMINISTRATION, EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, FINANCE.**

1. Motion by Greg Schmitt, second by Carrie Fox to pay April bills.  
Roll Call 6 yes 0 nay 1 absent Motion carried

2. Carrie Fox reported that she, Manager Gutonski and Councilman Adam Blythe attended a work session with My Work Initiatives of Pittsburgh about pairing disabled youth to work in the community for the summer. Manager Gutonski requested 4 students. A supervisor will accompany the students and the program covers the liability 100%. The students would work 20-30 hrs a week.

**WATER:**

1. Motion by Adam Blythe, second by Tim Cornuet to approve the installation of a

slide gate for access to the water plant in the amount of \$9,770.00. Roll Call 6 yea 0 no 1 absent

2. Carrie Fox updated the recycling that was discussed, there was a flyer put in with the May utility bills to explain the program through Waste Management at no cost to the residents.

**ELECTRIC:**

1. Motion by Rhonda Dzugan, second by Carrie Fox to approve Resolution 17-07 defending the Borough Operated Municipal Electric Systems in the Commonwealth of PA. Motion carried

**STREET AND SANITARY SEWERS:**

1. Motion by Greg Schmitt, second by Tim Cornuet to accept the bid from A. Liberoni Inc for the 2017 Liquid Fuels Street Paving Project in the amount of \$47,939.40 Roll Call 6 yea 0 no 1 absent

2. Motion by Greg Schmitt, second by Carrie Fox to approve pay estimate #3 to Marricco Construction for 4th Ave Bridge Project in the amount of \$51,872.92 Roll Call 6 yea 0 no 1 absent

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND CIVIL SERVICE**

1. Tim Cornuet reported on Eureka Fire Rescues April 2017 Incident Report MVC-10, AFA-3, VEH FIRE-1, RSF-3, SMOKE ODOR INVEST-3, WIRES TRANSFORMERS-1, BRUSH MULCH FIRE-2, EMS PD ASSIST-1, WATER RESQ RECOV-1, WATER COND-0, PHY RESCUE-0, TOTAL PERSONNEL HOURS 100, 6 MUTUAL AID EAST DEER, SPRINGDALE, ALLELGHENY TWP, FREEPORT, NEW KENSINGTON, EMS 251 CALLS, TOTAL PERSONNEL HOURS 1062, TOTAL COMPANY TRAINING HOURS 40

2. Motion by Tim Cornuet, second by Greg Schmitt to contribute \$1,500.00 to Summit Hose for the annual 4th of July Fireworks. Roll Call 6 yes Ono 1 absent

**PARKS AND RECREATION:**

1. Motion by Carrie Fox, second by Rhonda Dzugan to accept the bid from Tresco Paving in the amount of \$31,908.75 for the paving of Grandview Playground. Roll Call 6 yea 0 no 1 absent Motion Carried

2. Motion by Carrie Fox, second by Adam Blythe to reject the bid of \$69,860.00 from Allegheny Fence Co for installation of new fencing for Grandview Playground Motion carried

Motion by Carrie Fox, second by Rhonda Dzugan to approve the bid of \$45,139.00 from Security Fence Co for installation of new fencing for Grandview Playground Roll Call

6 yea O no 1 absent

3. Motion by Carrie Fox, second by Rhonda Dzugan to approve the use of the gazebo in Riverview Park to Charles Hockenberry Sr for a wedding Saturday, August 12, 2017 from 2:00 PM until 3:30 PM Motion Carried

4. Carrie Fox reported on the 175th Anniversary Celebration. She thanked the Recreation Board for the help with the movie. The next event will be Henry Brackenridge birthday May 11, 2017

5. Carrie Fox stated that May 28, 2017 will be the Memorial Day observation and dedication of the plaque for Robert Adams.

6. Carrie Fox stated that the Summer Concert Schedule is set and was mailed with the utility bills, there are also copies on the desk at the back of the room.

7. Carrie Fox mentioned that Tarentum Borough was recognized in the Borough News Magazine for the 175th Anniversary Banquet

8. Carrie Fox stated that the Grandview wall is being concreted

9. Carrie Fox thanked Cindy Homberg for the booklet on Evelyn Nesbit

**PROPERTY AND ZONING, LIBRARY AND HEALTH:**

1. Motion by Tim Cornuet, second by Carrie Fox to approve the bid from Gillette Inc in the amount of \$7,000.00 for the emergency demolition of 206 W 12th Ave

2. Report on Asbestos requirements from ACHD for demolition, this report was given under the Manager's Report

3. Tim Cornuet reported that he spoke with Don from Pittsburgh Specialties on the building they are erecting. He stated most of the work in the old doctors building is almost complete then they will erect the warehouse.

4. Mayor Magnetta stated that business' are expanding in Tarentum with Pittsburgh Specialty, Chucks Carpet is expanding and the building of Family Dollar on W 7th Ave

**AVN/COG:**

1. nothing at this time

**KOZ:**

1. nothing at this time

**REDEVELOPMENT AND REVITALIZATION:**

1. nothing at this time

**CITIZENS COMMENTS:**

1. Jim Bowser stated he will pick up the Veterans banner from Gray Signs himself. He also stated that the donation council approved for the fireworks is a good thing and Summit needs more donations for fireworks. Mr. Bowser wants the by laws changed to not allow family members to serve on council together. He was informed that there are no family members on council

2. Sandy Collins questioned if funds are being tranferred into the general fund, she thought that had been discontinued. Manager Gutonski explained how the funds are distributed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Greg Schmitt, second by Carrie Fox to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Gutonski  
Borough Manager

BOROUGH OF TARENTUM  
 ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
 RESIDENT SIGN IN SHEET  
 COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017

**PLEASE PRINT NAME AND ADDRESS**

| NAME                | ADDRESS              |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Barbara Magnetta | 169 Cedar St.        |
| 2. Hugh Fox         | 170 CEDAR ST.        |
| 3. GINA LANDA       | 512 E 6TH            |
| 4. Linda Boppy      | 309 W. 11TH AVE      |
| 5. Laura White      | 108 WIND ST          |
| 6. BILL MAYHUGH     | 347 WEST 11TH AVE    |
| 7. Marly Bertino    |                      |
| 8. CINDY HOMBURG    | TARENTUM             |
| 9. SANDY COLLINS    | 209 MAIN ST.         |
| 10. LARRY TROUTMAN  | 1ST AVE              |
| 11.                 |                      |
| 12. Brad James      | EFR                  |
| 13. Jim Bowers      | 314 W 11th Ave owner |
| 14. Paula Norwich   | 605 2nd Av           |
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