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ASSEMBLY Council of the Borough of Tarentum met in regular session on Monday, November 17, 2014, with Councilman President Tim Rapp; Councilman Eric Carter; Councilman Mike Gutonski; Councilman Raymond Kerr; Councilman Tim Firko; and Councilman Pete Varos. Also present were Mayor Carl Margetta; Borough Manager William Rossey; Solicitor Charles Clark; and Chief William Vakulick.

RESOLUTION APPROVE MINUTES Upon motion by Councilman Varos, seconded by Councilman Gutonski, RESOLVED, this Council approves the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 20, 2014. All Council members present were in favor and the resolution was adopted.

REMARKS: COUNCILMAN RAPP Councilman Rapp stated that due to personal reasons, he is resigning as President of Council.

RESOLUTION PRES. OF COUNCIL Upon motion by Councilman Rapp, seconded by Councilman Firko, RESOLVED, this Council approves the nomination, by Councilman Rapp, of Councilman Gutonski for President of Council. All Council members present were in favor and the resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION VP OF COUNCIL Upon motion by Councilman Gutonski, seconded by Councilman Rapp, RESOLVED, this Council approves the nomination, by Councilman Gutonski, of Councilman Firko for Vice-President of Council. All Council members present were in favor and the resolution was adopted.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION At this point in the meeting, Council invites questions and comments from members of the audience.

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REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
GUTONSKI

Councilman Gutonski stated, under President's Comments, stated he had no report.

Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from the Mayor.

REMARKS:
MAYOR
MAGNETTA

Mayor Magnetta stated for the month of October 2014, there were 428 calls for service which is a plus of 156 from 2013; action necessary 326; no action necessary 102; 26 arrests which is a plus 3 from 2013; 104 citations issued which is the same as 2013; total accidents 12 which is a plus 5 from 2013, accidents with injuries 0 which is the same as 2013; fines collected \$3,484.85 which is a minus \$1,273.08 from 2013; fines collected for year \$39,635.43 which is a minus \$16,098.00 from 2013; parking tickets issued 97 which is a plus 78 from 2013.

Mayor Magnetta stated on September 13, he performed a marriage ceremony and no fee accepted. On September 26, a marriage ceremony was performed and no fee accepted. On October 11, a marriage ceremony was performed and a donation of \$75.00 was made for the Tarentum Recreation Board by the couple.

REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
GUTONSKI

Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from the Chief of Police.

REMARKS:
CHIEF
VAKULICK

Chief Vakulick stated a final draft of the agreement between the School District and the Borough for the School Resource Officer Program is being reviewed by the District. He stated he would like to begin the program on December 1, 2014.

A discussion was held regarding the agreement and whether to begin it before the agreement is

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signed by the District and Borough.

RESOLUTION
APPROVE
TENTATIVE
AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Councilman Rapp, seconded by Councilman Kerr, RESOLVED, this Council approves the tentative agreement for the School Resource Officer Program, between Highland School District and Borough of Tarentum, so the program can begin December 1, 2014.

All Council members present were in favor and the resolution was adopted.

REMARKS:
CHIEF
VAKULICK

Chief Vakulick stated the license fees for mechanical amusement devices have been the same for many years and need to be updated.

A discussion was held regarding the fees and updating the fees to make them comparable with surrounding municipalities.

RESOLUTION
UPDATING
FEES

Upon motion by Councilman Kerr, seconded by Councilman Varos, RESOLVED, this Council agrees to advertise an amendment to update fees to Ordinance 22, 5-62, Mechanical Devices.

All Council members present were in favor and the resolution was adopted.

REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
GUTONSKI

Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from the Borough Manager.

REMARKS:
BOROUGH
MANAGER
ROSSEY

Borough Manager Rossey stated Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m., about 25 trees will be planted in the park. Everyone is welcome to come and help. He stated the COG dinner will be held December 5th and the Allegheny County Borough Association dinner will be held December 11th. He stated any Council member who wants to attend either dinner to let him know.

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REMARKS: Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from the
COUNCILMAN Solicitor.
GUTONSKI

REMARKS: Solicitor Clark stated negotiations are ongoing
SOLICITOR regarding the Sebak property. He stated he is
CLARK waiting for their attorney to return his call and
will update Council next meeting.

REMARKS: Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from
COUNCILMAN Administrative, Employee Relations, Finance
GUTONSKI Committee.

RESOLUTION Upon motion by Councilman Rapp, seconded by
PAY BILLS Councilman Varos, RESOLVED, this Council approves
the payment of the November 2014 bills.
Upon roll call, the resolution was adopted with
six (6) affirmative votes.

RESOLUTION Upon motion by Councilman Rapp, seconded by
APPOINT Councilman Carter, RESOLVED, this Council
DELEGATES re-appoints William Rossey as the official
delegate and Carl Magnetta, Jr. as the alternate
delegate to the Allegheny County Boroughs
Association for 2015.
All Council members present were in favor and the
resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION Upon motion by Councilman Rapp, seconded by
APPOINT Councilman Carter, RESOLVED, this Council
COUNCIL appoints Joseph Davidek to the vacant 3rd Ward
SEAT Council seat.
All Council members present were in favor and the
resolution was adopted.

MR. DAVIDEK Mayor Magnetta gave the oath of office to Joseph
SWORN IN AS Davidek for the 3rd Ward Council seat.
COUNCILMAN

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REMARKS: Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from the
COUNCILMAN Water Committee.
GUTONSKI

RESOLUTION Upon motion by Councilman Gutonski, seconded by
ACCEPT Councilman Carter, RESOLVED, this Council accepts
RETIREMENT the retirement letter from Randy Berkoben,
LETTER effective November 14, 2014, and commend him for
his 41 plus years of service to Tarentum Borough.
All Council members present were in favor and the
resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION Upon motion by Councilman Gutonski, seconded by
ADVERTISE Councilman Firko, RESOLVED, this Council agrees
POSITION to advertise for the position at the Water Plant.
All Council members present were in favor and the
resolution was adopted.

REMARKS: Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from the
COUNCILMAN Electric Committee.
GUTONSKI

REMARKS: Councilman Kerr stated he had no report.
COUNCILMAN
KERR

REMARKS: Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from
COUNCILMAN Public Safety & Civil Service Committee.
GUTONSKI

REMARKS: Councilman Firko stated Highland Hose report for
COUNCILMAN September 2014, there were 7 fire calls; man
FIRKO hours of 17.5; 2 training sessions; and 80 man
hours. Highland Hose report for October 2014,
there were 12 fire calls; 450 man hours; 3
training sessions; and 105 man hours. Eureka
Fire Rescue report for October 2014, 18 calls
representing 42 personnel hours; 229 EMS calls
representing 868 personnel hours; and 51 total
training hours.

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REMARKS: Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from
COUNCILMAN Property & Zoning, Library & Health Committee.
GUTONSKI

RESOLUTION Upon motion by Councilman Kerr, seconded by
ACCEPT Councilman Davidek, RESOLVED, this Council
CONTRACT accepts the contract proposal from Hoffman's
Kennels as the Borough's dog and cat catcher for
the year 2015. Rate is same as 2014.
All Council members present were in favor and the
resolution was adopted.

REMARKS: Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from
COUNCILMAN Streets & Sanitary Sewers Committee.
GUTONSKI

REMARKS: Councilman Carter stated he had no report.
COUNCILMAN
CARTER

REMARKS: Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from Parks
COUNCILMAN & Recreation Committee.
GUTONSKI

RESOLUTION Upon motion by Councilman Kerr, seconded by
GRANT Councilman Carter, RESOLVED, this Council grants
PERMISSION the Women of the Moose #296 permission to hold
their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April
4, 2015, starting at 9:00 a.m. SHARP and to close
1st Avenue during this event.
All Council members present were in favor and the
resolution was adopted.

REMARKS: Mayor Magnetta stated the Recreation Board had a
MAYOR very successful Boo Fest for the children held on
MAGNETTA October 25th in the Borough building. He stated
the annual Tarentum/Brackenridge Christmas parade
will be held this coming Saturday at 1:00 p.m.
He stated instead of Christmas in the Park, the
Recreation Board will hold a Christmas on Corbet

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Street. Corbet Street square will be blocked off and will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., with many activities planned such as prize giveaways, food and cookies for sale, bonfire and much more. He stated the Snack Shack addition is about 95% complete thanks to the help of the Street Department who did a tremendous job.

REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
GUTONSKI

Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from AVN/COG Committee.

REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
FIRKO

Councilman Firko stated he attended last month's meeting and will attend the meeting scheduled on November 26.

REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
GUTONSKI

Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from KOZ Committee.

REMARKS:
MAYOR
MAGNETTA

Mayor Magnetta stated he had no report.

REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
GUTONSKI

Councilman Gutonski asked for a report from Redevelopment & Revitalization Committee.

REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
KERR

Councilman Kerr stated he had no report.

REMARKS:
MR. BOWSER

Mr. Bowser, West Tarentum, asked the status of Gillette's work and if Gillette is being fined.

REMARKS:
BOROUGH
MANAGER
ROSSEY

Borough Manager Rossey stated Gillette is being cited everyday and has hearings scheduled at the Magistrate's Office.

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REMARKS:
MS. CINDY
HOMBURG

Ms. Homburg stated she has a friend who lives on short street and has been having a lot of medical problems and has nurses coming everyday to the house and they're having a hard time getting in and out of the driveway due to people parking on both sides of the street and asked if it would be possible if people could park on one side of the street so the nurses and doctors could get in and out of the neighbor's house.

REMARKS:
CHIEF
VAKULICK

Chief Vakulick stated he would look into the matter tomorrow.

REMARKS:
COUNCILMAN
GUTONSKI

Councilman Gutonski stated he respects the decision of Councilman Rapp to resign as President of Council. He thanked Councilman Rapp for the time that he put in as President of Council and stated he will do everything in his power to keep up the integrity of the position as President of Council.

Councilman Gutonski stated Council members received a copy of the budget for review. After discussion, a budget meeting was scheduled for Monday, November 24, at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, upon motion by Councilman Varos, seconded by Councilman Davidek the meeting of November 17, 2014, was unanimously adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



William Rossey
Borough Manager

BOROUGH OF TARENTUM
 ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
 RESIDENT SIGN IN SHEET
 COUNCIL MEETING
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PLEASE PRINT NAME AND ADDRESS

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1. ROBERT	
2. Janelle Rossler	
3. [unclear]	108 W. 11th St
4. [unclear]	512 E 6th
5. WALT ALTFATHER JR.	917 CORBET ST.
6. Scott Mulhern	Summit Hgse.
7. [unclear]	351 W. 11th
8. BOB STUBER	Highland Hgse
9. CINDY HOMBURG	E 10th AVE
10. S. CLARK	EFF.
11. J.T. [unclear]	34 W. 11th St
12. [unclear]	2307 [unclear] St
13. L. TROUTMAN	301 16th Ave
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