



BOROUGH OF TARENTUM

REGULAR MEETING

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[Tuesday, December 1, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.](#)

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Order:	The meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by Council President Scott Dadowski.		
Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.			
Roll Call:	The following members were present: Ms. Lou Ann Homa, Mr. Jim Bonner, Ms. Carrie Fox, Mr. Brian Snyder, Mr. Scott Dadowski, Ms. Erika Josefowski, Mr. Adam Blythe, and Mayor Eric Carter.		
Also Present:	DEPARTMENT	NAME	PRESENT:
	BOROUGH MANAGER	MICHAEL L. NESTICO	X
	BOROUGH SOLICITOR	DAVID A. REGOLI	AWC
	CHIEF OF POLICE	WILLIAM S. VAKULICK	AWC
	CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	ANTHONY D. BRUNI	X
Exceptions to Open Meetings:	N/A		
Minutes:	Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to accept the minutes of the November 5, 2020 Regular Council Meeting . The motion carried unanimously.		
Public Comment: <i>Agenda Items.</i>	None.		
Communications:	01. Communication 01 – Event Request (Casey Bell)		

COMMITTEE and DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mayor Report	No report for December.
President Report	Thanks to all for Comp Plan public hearing presentation. Thank you to all for their work and contributions over the last couple years. Recommends adoption of the Comp Plan by council this evening. Budget meeting tonight. Wants to be sure everyone is able to speak during the Zoom meeting. Third successful Tarentum Market Night. Inclement weather is now upon us. Please remember to clear your sidewalks and keep folks safe in our community.
Solicitor Report	
Police Chief Report	
Code Officer Report	2020.11 Monthly Report Demolition project update. Three separate bid packages for consideration tonight. One package contains asbestos containing properties. One package contains no asbestos in the properties. The final package is for the same grouping of properties that are part of the CDBG demolition project. 23 more properties are a significant number for our community.
Engineer Report	2020.12 - Engineer Report



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	MS4 reminder to be careful with salting sidewalks and driveways because excess salt gets into the storm system and streams.
Manager Report	<p>Upcoming Events: December 10, 2020 – 6:00 PM – Tarentum Night Market December 15, 2020 – 6:00 PM – Borough Council Meeting December 28, 2020 – Borough Offices Closed December 29, 2020 – 6:00 PM – Borough Council Meeting *If Necessary December 29, 2020 – 6:00 PM – Recreation Board Meeting January 5, 2021 – 6:00 PM – Borough Council Regular Meeting</p> <p>2020.11 - Legislative Locator 2020.11 - League Link 2020.11 - PELRAS Update</p> <p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Fox to pay the Borough bills for the month of November, 2020. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Mr. Blythe to approve the request from Casey Bell to hold a wedding ceremony at the Magnetta Ampitheatre on Saturday, April 3, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 3:15 PM. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Mr. Blythe to appoint Gibson-Thomas as the Engineering Firm of Tarentum Borough for 2021. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Homa to appoint David A. Regoli as Solicitor of Tarentum Borough for 2021. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Mr. Bonner to appoint First National Bank as the depository of Tarentum Borough funds for 2021. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Fox to appoint Mark C. Turnley, CPA as Auditor for Tarentum Borough for 2021. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Fox to appoint Altany Insurance as the Insurance Brokerage Firm of Tarentum for 2021. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Mr. Blythe to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the vacancies of the various boards, committees, and commissions of the Borough of Tarentum for 2021. The motion carried unanimously.



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- ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Mr. Blythe to advertise the meeting schedule for the various boards, committees and commissions of the Borough of Tarentum for 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Mr. Bonner to advertise the 2021 Tarentum Borough Regular Council meeting schedule for 6:00 P.M. as follows:

January 5, 2021	July 6, 2021	December 7, 2021
February 2, 2021	August 3, 2021	*December 20, 2021 (Mon.)
March 2, 2021	September 7, 2021	*December 30, 2021 (Thur.)
April 6, 2021	October 5, 2021	
May 4, 2021	November 9, 2021	
June 1, 2021	*November 23, 2021	* Denotes If Necessary

The motion carried unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Fox to advertise [Ordinance #20-03](#):

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2021 AT A RATE OF 5.48 MILLS.

The motion carried unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Homa to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the Tarentum Borough Omnibus Demolition Project Phase 2021.1 for the following properties:

Property Location	Property Description	Parcel ID #
209 – 211 Conroy	2 Story Residential Duplex	1223-P-00029
		1223-P-00028
355 W 7th	2 Story Residential Structure	1088-A-00148
406 E 9th	3 Story Residential Structure	1223-H-00289
311 E 8th	3 Story Residential Structure	1223-L-00219
437 E 7th	2 Story Residential Structure	1223-H-00078
611 Roup	2 Story Residential Structure	1223-D-00111
543 E 3rd	2 Story Residential Structure	1224-J-00124

The motion carried unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Fox to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the Tarentum Borough Omnibus Demolition Project Phase 2021.2 for the following properties:

Property Location	Property Description	Parcel ID #
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1320 Locust	2 Story Residential Structure	1223-B-118
121 Conroy	2 Story Residential Structure	1223-P-226
212 Bridge	2 Story Residential Structure	1224-J-240
300 W 6th	3 Story Residential Structure	1088-A-174
318 W 7th	2 Story Residential Duplex	1223-N-224
330 Heuser	1 Story Residential Structure	1223-N-231
919 Porter	2 Story Residential Structure	1223-H-372
1300 Bakerstown	1 Story Residential Structure	1223-F-98

The motion carried unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Fox to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the Tarentum Borough Omnibus Demolition Project Phase 2021.3 for the following properties:

Property Location	Property Description	Parcel ID #
134 Walters	2 Story Residential Structure	1223-K-00143
215 Bridge	2 Story Residential Structure	1224-J-238
242 W 8th	3 Story Residential Structure	1223-N-295
243-245 W 7th	2 Story Residential Duplex	1223-P-62
510 E 2nd & 510 E 2nd Rear	3 Story Residential Structure Detached Garage	1224-J-48 1224-J-47
1212 Locust	2 Story Residential Structure	1223-F-313
108 W 7th	3 Story Residential Structure	1223-P-00167
313 W 9th	2 Story Residential Structure	1223-N-127

The motion carried unanimously.

Public Works	2020.11 Monthly Report	Ms. Homa
Utilities	Water – 2020.11 - Water Plant Report	Mr. Bonner
AVNCOG	Spoke with COG representatives regarding the demolition project. The project is expected to go out to bid in January. We are hopeful that the Covid delays and other hurdles will be out of the way.	Ms. Fox
Comprehensive Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Ms. Josefowski to adopt Resolution #20-17: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING THE MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM. <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>	Ms. Homa
Parks/	Recreation board will not be meeting on December 29, 2020.	Ms. Fox



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Recreation/ Library	<p>Rec board did not meet in November due to Thanksgiving.</p> <p>Saturday, December 5 – Santa Coming to Town. Rain date 12/12. Thank you to the Fire Departments for helping with this item. Thanks to Councilman Blythe and his family for assisting with this project. Have a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Bonner to approve the placement of a 12” x 12” stainless steel plaque on the Magnetta Ampitheatre in memory of Patrick Segriff who passed away on April 6, 2020. <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>	
Special Events/ Tourism	N/A	Mr. Snyder
Redev./ Revitalization	Ms. Josefoski provided an update regarding redevelopment and revitalization efforts within the Borough.	Ms. Josefoski
Property/ Health/Zoning		Ms. Josefoski
Public Safety	Eureka – Monthly Report	Mr. Blythe
Finance & Admin.	<p>2020.11 – Budget Report 2020.11 – Check Register 2020.11 – Check Register (Liquid Fuels) 2020.11 – YTD Revenue/Expenditure Report 2020.10 - Real Estate Transfer Tax Report</p> <p>Budget Discussion. Available on Tarentum Borough YouTube.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Motion by Mr. Bonner, second by Ms. Fox to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the Notice of Public Inspection and Advertisement of the 2021 Tarentum Borough Operating Budget. <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>	Mr. Blythe
Council Commentary:	<p>Ms. Josefoski: Missed last council meeting due to ACBA meeting. Encourages council members to attend the upcoming meeting in February 2021.</p> <p>Due to personal matters including Covid related circumstances, family and work obligations, Ms. Josefoski asked council to accept her resignation from Borough Council effective December 31, 2020. Still wishes to contribute to the Borough and wants to continue helping her hometown, but not able to remain on council.</p>	
Public Comment:	David Rankin – Unfortunately cancelling the Tarentum Night Market set for December 10, 2020 due to Covid regulations.	



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	Gerald Driggs – Community Development Corporation Director – Applauded the budget for its ability to provide a maintenance budget. Questioned why the 2021 budget does not have funding for a growth budget.
Adjourn:	Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Homa to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.