



# BOROUGH OF TARENTUM

REGULAR MEETING

[Online Zoom Meeting](#)

[Tuesday, December 15, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.](#)

Meeting Minutes



<b>Order:</b>	<b>The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Scott Dadowski.</b>		
<b>Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.</b>			
<b>Roll Call:</b>	The following members were present: Mr. Jim Bonner, Ms. Carrie Fox, Mr. Brian Snyder, Mr. Scott Dadowski, Ms. Erika Josefoski, Mr. Adam Blythe, Ms. Lou Ann Homa, and Mayor Eric Carter.		
<b>Also Present:</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>PRESENT:</b>
	BOROUGH MANAGER	MICHAEL L. NESTICO	X
	BOROUGH SOLICITOR	DAVID A. REGOLI	X
	CHIEF OF POLICE	WILLIAM S. VAKULICK	AWC
	CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	ANTHONY D. BRUNI	AWC
<b>Exceptions to Open Meetings:</b>	N/A		
<b>Minutes:</b>	Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Snyder to approve the <a href="#">December 1, 2020 Regular Council Meeting minutes</a> . The motion passes unanimously.		
<b>Public Comment:</b> <i>Agenda Items.</i>	None.		
<b>Communications:</b>	01. <a href="#">Communication 01 – Appointment Request – Raymond Kerr</a> 02. <a href="#">Communication 02 – Letter of Resignation – Erika Josefoski</a>		

### **COMMITTEE and DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

<b>Mayor Report</b>	Thanked Council for all of their hard work this year. Dealing with the Covid situation and online meetings. All council members are an asset to the community. Wants to offer his thanks to the Council members for their work during the course of the year.
<b>President Report</b>	Also thanked Council for their hard work throughout the year. Virtual meetings seem to be here for another few months. Encourage citizens to reach out to elected officials for any questions or concerns. Attended ACBA general membership meeting on December 3, 2020 at South Hills Country Club. Honored to be sworn in as a District 1 board director. Wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
<b>Solicitor Report</b>	Thanks to all for the well wishes in recovering from covid. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.
<b>Police Chief Report</b>	
<b>Code Officer Report</b>	
<b>Engineer Report</b>	MS4 reminder to refrain from dumping anything in the storm system and streams.
<b>Manager Report</b>	<b>Upcoming Events:</b> December 21, 2020 – 2:00 PM - Demolition Bid Openings December 28, 2020 – Borough Offices Closed January 5, 2021 – 6:00 PM – Borough Council Regular Meeting



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**New Business:**

- ❖ Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to adopt [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 passed unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to adopt [Resolution #20-18](#):

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING THE 2021 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM.

The motion passed unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to adopt [Resolution #20-19](#):

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA APPROVING THE ACQUISITION AND SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION OF NUMEROUS PARCELS OF VACANT PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK AND LOT NUMBER 1223-K-14 WOULD BE IN ACCORD WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF TARENTUM BOROUGH.

The motion passed unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to accept the resignation of Erika Josefoski as council person for the First Ward effective December 31, 2020.

The motion passed unanimously.

- ❖ Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Snyder to direct the Borough Manager to advertise for interested candidates to fill the seat of council member of the First Ward, serving until the next municipal election. The motion passed unanimously.

<b>Public Works</b>	Loaded with salt and ready for winter weather.	<b>Ms. Homa</b>
<b>Utilities</b>		<b>Mr. Bonner</b>
<b>AVNCOG</b>		<b>Ms. Fox</b>
<b>Comprehensive Plan</b>		<b>Ms. Homa</b>



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<b>Parks/ Recreation/ Library</b>	<p>Thank you to all three fire departments in the community for their assistance with the Santa Comes to Tarentum event. Thank you to the other members of the community who assisted with the event.</p> <p>Gave away extra Santa bags to the Hope Center and the daycares in the community.</p> <p>Would like the Borough to consider investment in the Savvy Citizen app to provide notice to the community.</p> <p>AVNCOG meeting tomorrow, December 16, 2020.</p> <p>Everyone should try to visit the Manos Theatre. They are open and it is very impressive.</p> <p>Ms. Homa: Thank you to Carrie and the Recreation Board for holding the event.</p>	Ms. Fox
<b>Special Events/ Tourism</b>		Mr. Snyder
<b>Redev./ Revitalization</b>		Ms. Josefoski
<b>Property/ Health/Zoning</b>		Ms. Josefoski
<b>Public Safety</b>		Mr. Blythe
<b>Finance &amp; Admin.</b>		Mr. Blythe
<b>Public Comment:</b>	<p>David Rankin – Central Presbyterian Church – Asked about the CDC Advisory Board appointment for Tarentum Borough.</p> <p>Brackenridge approved the Comprehensive Plan earlier this month. The Harrison Township Planning Commission recommended the Comp Plan for adoption to the Harrison Township commissioners.</p> <p>Brian Rittmeyer – Tribune Review – Asked about the timeline on appointment to fill the council vacancy. Also asked when letters of interest will be due. Informed that letters will be due by January 4, 2021.</p>	
<b>Adjourn:</b>	<p>Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	