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#### BOROUGH OF TARENTUM

#### COUNCIL MEETING BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Tuesday, May 10, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting

Order:	The regular meeting of council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Scott Dadowski.				
Pledge of Allegiand	Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.				
Roll Call:	The following members were present: Mr. Scott Dadowski, Mr. Raymond Kerr, Mr. Adam Blythe, Ms. Lou Ann Homa, Mr. Brian Nolan, Ms. Carrie Fox, Mr. Brian Snyder, and Mayor Bob Lang				
<b>ALSO PRESENT:</b>	Borough Manager Michael L. Nestico; Borough Solicitor Eric H. Dee;				
	Police Chief William Vakulick (AWC); Code Enforcement Officer Anthony D. Bruni				
<b>Public Comment:</b> <i>Agenda Items.</i>	None.				
<b>Exceptions to</b>	The following executive sessions were held:				
Open Meetings:	Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 6:30 PM for personnel matters.				
	Tuesday, May 10, 2022 following the Regular Council Meeting for personnel and contradictions.				
Minutes:	Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to accept the minutes of the <u>April 12</u> , 2022 Regular Council Meeting. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.				
Communications:	None.				

#### **COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mayor Report	Three (3) search warrants served in March; one (1) in April. Six arrests. \$30K+ seized.  New Police 2022 Hybrid Explorer is in. Lights and other fixtures being installed currently.  Yield sign installed near the train tracks at West 6th and Center Street.
President Report	Riverfront water taxi concept meeting occurred with other local elected officials from nearby communities. Preliminary discussions are ongoing.  Attended the last Business Advisory Committee meeting at the Murphy Building.  May 19 will be the first Tarentum Night Market for 2022.  Revitalize Tarentum Partnership Forum at the Depot Building took place this month. Next meeting will take place tomorrow.  Community Clean Up event was well done. Thanks to Carrie Fox for organizing the event.  Will be considering a motion this evening to approve the consulting services of Public Partners via ALOM for assistance to find a new manager. Thanks to Manager Michael Nestico for his hard work in the Borough.
Solicitor Report	Billboard litigation update. Mediation will take place on May 25 at 10:00 a.m.



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Code Officer Report	2022.04 Monthly Report				
	2022.05 - Engineer Re	2022.05 - Engineer Report			
Engineer Report	MS4 reminder: Please do not trim grass and weeds onto the streets. Sweep sidewalks and curb lines to avoid debris gathering in the storm water system.				
Manager Report	lines to avoid debris gathering in the storm water system.  Upcoming Events:  May 11, 2022 – 7:00 PM – Pittsburgh Penguins Round 1 Playoff Game #5 (Go Pens!)  May 14, 2022 – 10:30 AM – Book Walk Event in the Park  May 19, 2022 – 5:00 PM – The Buzz One Year Anniversary Event  May 26, 2022 – 6:00 PM – Rec Board Concert: American Pie  May 30, 2022 – Borough Offices Closed  May 31, 2022 – 6:00 PM – Recreation Board Meeting  June 4, 2022 – 11:00 AM – Community Wellness Event by Rep. DelRosso  June 9, 2022 – 6:00 PM – Rec Board Concert: Up the River  June 14, 2022 – 6:00 PM – Borough Council Regular Meeting  Reports and Updates:  2022.04 - Legislative Locator  2022.04 - League Link  2022.04 - Allegheny County Council Connection Newsletter  Sheriff Sale Listings (April 2022):  2022.04 Postpone List  2022.04 Postpone Results				
	Property:	Auction #:	List:	Docket #:	Date:
	800 Mill Street	087MAY22	Postponed	GD-21-011954	7/5/2022
	301 W 7th Avenue	032MAY22	Postponed	GD-19-008372	7/5/2022
	349 W 7th Avenue	082JUL19	Postponed	GD-17-016997	5/2/2022
			Old Lists		
	622 Roup Street	020JUL21	PLTF Overbid	MG-20-000256	1/3/2022



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319 W 9th Avenue	006JUN20	Postponed	MG-19-000810	3/7/2022
621 E 8th Avenue	015FEB21	Postponed	GD-20-007634	11/1/2021
305 W 9th Avenue	025OCT21	Postponed	MG-19-001081	11/1/2021
609 E 9th Avenue	021DEC21	Postponed	MG-20-000126	3/7/2022

#### **New Business:**

- Motion by Mr. Nolan, second by Ms. Fox to pay the Borough bills for the month of May, 2022. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.
- ♦ Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to ratify Resolution #22-08:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDS WITH ALLEGHENY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR AN ACT 152 GRANT. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

- ❖ Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Mr. Snyder to ratify Resolution #22-09: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ACKNOWLEDGING BLIGHTED PROPERTIES AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTIES CONSTITUTING HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARDS TO BOROUGH RESIDENTS. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.
- Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to approve the adoption of Chapter 4 through Chapter 9 of the <u>Tarentum Borough Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual (2022)</u>. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.
- ♦ Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Mr. Snyder to advertise Ordinance #22-04:

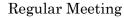
ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, WHICH PROHIBITS AFFIXING OR PLACING ANY SIGN, ADVERTISEMENT, NOTICE OR PLACARD ONTO TRAFFIC SIGNS AND UTILITY POLES BELONGING TO OR BEING USED BY THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM.

The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Snyder, second by Ms. Fox to approve the agreement for consulting services through the <u>ALOM Public Partners Program</u> at an amount not to exceed \$3,000. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

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- Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Ms. Fox to award the <u>Tarentum Borough East 10th Avenue</u> and <u>Corbet Street traffic signal replacement project</u> contract to Traffic Systems and Services Inc. in the total bid amount of \$215,807.22. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.
- ♦ Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Kerr to adopt Resolution #22-10:

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-H-104 WOULD BE IN ACCORD WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF TARENTUM BOROUGH.

\*Note: The address for this property is 443 E 7th Avenue. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

♦ Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Ms. Fox to adopt Resolution #22-11:

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 1224-J-93 WOULD BE IN ACCORD WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF TARENTUM BOROUGH.

\*Note: The address for this property is 542 E 3rd Avenue.

The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

♦ Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Ms. Homa to adopt Resolution #22-12:

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-D-29 WOULD BE IN ACCORD WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF TARENTUM BOROUGH.

\*Note: The address for this property is 919 Ormond Street.

The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

♦ Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Ms. Fox to adopt Resolution #22-13:

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



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\*Note: The address for this property is 505 E 3rd Avenue.

The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

- Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Ms. Fox to authorize the Borough Manager to execute an agreement with Davevic to prepare setup documentation for the adoption of an employee Section 125 Cafeteria plan allowing employee contributions toward Health Savings Accounts and Dependent Care Flexible Spending Accounts. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.
- Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Ms. Fox to authorize the Borough Code Enforcement officer to condemn the following properties eight (8) properties due to unresolved code violations resulting in health, safety and welfare concerns:

Address:		
110 W 11th Avenue	338 W 10th Avenue	505-507 E 8th Avenue
628-630 E 9th Avenue	529 E 9th Avenue	1219 Pitcairn
520 E 5th Avenue	105 Britton Way	

The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

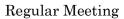
- Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Kerr to approve the request from Lindsey Alworth to hold a birthday party event at the Spray Park Pavilion on Saturday, May 28, 2022 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.
- Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Kerr to approve the request from Serena Timko to hold a Riverfront Revival event at the Magnetta Amphitheatre on Wednesday, June 1, 2022 from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM and further approving the use of electric service. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

AVNCOG	AVNCOG offices are moving to the Murphy Building, Corbet Street, Tarentum in June 2022.	Chair: Ms. Fox
Business Advisory Committee	Wednesday, April 27, 2022 was the last BAC meeting at the Murphy Building. It was attended by 19 business representatives. Business owners and representatives are communicating very well at these meetings.  Exploring ways to utilize Instagram and Twitter as a resource to reach the younger demographic.  Discussions with Tripak Industries to visit various portions of the Borough including local restaurants and possible tour of the area.	Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Ms. Fox



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Finance & Admin.	2022.04 Budget Report 2022.04 Check Register 2022.03 Real Estate Transfer Tax Report  Auditor General Pension Audits for Non-Uniform and Police Pension Plans. Period 1/1/17 to 12/31/2020.	Chair: Mr. Blythe Member: Ms. Homa
Parks/ Recreation/ Library	2022.03 Community Library of Allegheny Valley Monthly Report  May 13 will be spring cleaning the snack shack for the Health Department inspection. Thanks to the Street Department for activating water service.  Thursday, May 26 will be the first concert. American Pie. Snack shack opens at 6:00 PM. Concert starts at 7:00 PM.  New Tarentum Borough magazine issue released in April 2022.  Thanks to the Mayor and Council President for attending the Great American Clean Up Event. Everything went very well at the event.	<b>Chair: Ms. Fox</b> Member: Mr. Snyder
Property/Health/ Zoning		Chair: Mr. Nolan Member: Mr. Snyder
Public Safety	<ul> <li>❖ Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Kerr to approve the purchase of a backup power generation system for Eureka Fire and Rescue from Electric Generators Direct in the amount of \$8,345.00 plus shipping in a total amount not to exceed \$10,000. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.</li> <li>Comment: Councilwoman Fox has indicated that she believes all fire companies should also have backup generation systems at their facilities, not only Eureka. Eureka Deputy Brad James discussed that this has been an ongoing effort and believes that this is a necessary item for all emergency services and public works facility, the latter having a generator installed last year. Highland Hose does have a generator at their facility and he believes they may be working to repair it.</li> <li>❖ Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Kerr to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement between Tarentum Borough and ATI Flat Rolled Products Holding, LLC. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.</li> </ul>	Chair: Ms. Homa Member: Mr. Kerr
Public Works	2022.04 Monthly Report	Chair: Ms. Homa



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	Public Works Director submitted a contest entry for the "2022 Build A Better Mousetrap Competition" through the PennDOT Local Technical Assistance Program. The Borough entry is for the decorative lighting rebuild project which retrofitted the existing streetlights to a new LED street light design, saving the Borough nearly \$30,000. Entries were due by May 6, 2022.	
Redevelopment/ Revitalization	Attended revitalization meeting at the Depot Building. They are receiving an Neighborhood Partnership Program (NPP) grant of \$100,000 for six (6) years.  Ales on 6th grand opening is May 19, same evening as the Tarentum Night Market.  WAKE – Women of Alle-Kiski Engaging – Thursday, May 12 from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Clement. Speakers will be talking about work and life balance.  June 4 - Hard to Recycle event at Pittsburgh Mills	<b>Chair: Ms. Fox</b> Member: Mr. Snyder
Special Events/ Tourism	Motion to change the location of the Tarentum Borough Craft Beer, Art, Music Festival to the Magnetta Amphitheatre and further approving the closure of 1st Avenue for the event. Discussion about the event took place among council members. Motion tabled for this month. Mr. Snyder will bring forward several ideas for resolving some of the concerns regarding containing alcohol consumption, ticketing and other event details.	Chair: Mr. Snyder Member: Mr. Kerr
Utilities	Water – 2022.04 – Water Plant Report  Electric – 2022.04 – PMEA Monthly e-Newsletter  24.8 million gallons of water processed this month. 3.2 billion ounces of water = 66 million bottles of car wash.	Chair: Mr. Blythe Member: Mr. Kerr

#### **CITIZENS COMMENT:**

Cindy Homburg – 538 E 10th Avenue – Reminder to bring in cookbook recipes to be added to the new cookbook being created by CLAV.

Marilyn Pesci - 515 E 11th Avenue - Thanks to Manager for his professionalism. Also for the meeting minutes and efforts put forth as Borough Manager.

Chuck Dizard – Harrison Township Commissioner – Appreciated the working relationship with Manager Nestico and it was a pleasure to work with him during these past several years.

Councilwoman Fox – Borough Manager has been a pleasure to work with. Good luck moving forward.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

❖ Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m.