

REGULAR MEETING

Council Chambers

Thursday, September 6, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes



| ORDER: | The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council Vice President Adam Blythe. | | | |
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| PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG. | | | | |
| ROLL CALL: | The following members were present: Mr. Adam Blythe, Ms. Lou Ann Homa, Mr. Tim Cornuet, Ms. Carrie Fox, Ms. Rhonda Dzugan, Mr. Scott Dadowski and Mayor Eric Carter. Absent with cause: Ms. Erika Josefoski | | | |
| ALSO PRESENT: | DEPARTMENT | NAME | PRESENT: | |
| | BOROUGH MANAGER | MICHAEL L. NESTICO | Х | |
| | BOROUGH SOLICITOR | DAVID A. REGOLI | Х | |
| | POLICE CHIEF | WILLIAM S. VAKULICK | Х | |
| EXCEPTIONS TO OPEN MEETINGS: | N/A | | | |
| MINUTES: | Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Dadowski to accept the minutes of the August | | | |
| | 9, 2018 meeting. The motion carried unanimously. | | | |
| CITIZENS: | Ms. Gina Landa, 512 E 6th Avenue, informed council about Allegheny Goatscape project. Indicated that the Borough should consider using goats to address the overgrowth in various areas of town. Provided information packet to Borough Manager. Mr. Jim Bowser, 314 W 8th Avenue, asked about vacant properties in the Borough and how many we currently have. Ms. Cindy Homburg, 538 E 10th Avenue, informed council about the upcoming library week events taking place at the Community Library of Allegheny Valley. | | | |
| COMMUNICATIONS: | Letter of Interest – Greg Blythe – Zoning Hearing Board Letter of Thanks – Denise Kissell, R.N. – Diabetes Seminar Request Letter – Rec Board – Boo Festival and Halloween parade Request Letter – Rec Board – Christmas Parade | | | |
| COMMITTEE | President's Report – No report. President at ALOM quarterly meeting. | | meeting. | |
| REPORTS: | Mayor's Report – Asked council to consider approving Mayor and Police Chief joint recommendation for hiring of new police officers. Chief's Report – N/A Solicitor's Report – N/A Engineer's Report Monthly update report read in to record by Borough Manager. | | | |
| | 4PM to 10PN September | .3-15, 2018 – Fall Festival – 6PM to 1 | | |

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| | September 25, 2018 – 6:30PM – Recreation Board Meeting October 2, 2018 – 6:00 PM – Borough Council Agenda Meeting October 4, 2018 – 6:00 PM – Borough Council Regular Meeting Administration, Employee Relations, and Finance Committee – Mr. Blythe Budget preparation beginning. Budget meeting to occur late-October, early November. Water – Mr. Blythe Borough meeting with 540 technologies Wed. 9/5 for water distribution trial study. Electric – Ms. Fox Executed 1-month agreement for September 2018 with PSEG at \$39.74 MWh Streets and Sanitary Sewers – Ms. Dzugan – N/A Public Safety and Civil Service – Mr. Cornuet Fire Department Meeting Report(s) –Posted online. Gave thanks congratulations to Summit Hose Chief Joshua Fox for his efforts at a recent fire within the Borough. Parks and Recreation – Ms. Homa – Recreation Board met on August 28, 2018. Message board purchased and hung on snack shack. Lights for Hebe statue purchased and will be installed soon. Scarecrow contest registration under way. Fall Festival on September 13, 14, and 15, 2018. Boo Festival taking place October 20, 2018 at Riverview Park. Property and Zoning, Library, and Health – Mr. Cornuet – N/A AVN COG – Ms. Fox – No meeting in August 2018. | |
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| | KOZ Committee – Mr. Dadowski – N/A | |
| | Redevelopment and Revitalization – Ms. Homa | |
| LS: | Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Ms. Fox to pay bills for the month of August. The motion carried unanimously. | |
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NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to accept the resignation of David Antal as part-time police officer in the Borough of Tarentum, effective September 6, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Blythe to hire Jeremy Howell as full-time police officer in the Borough of Tarentum, effective September 9, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Blythe to hire Charles Lutz, Jr. as full-time police officer in the Borough of Tarentum, effective September 9, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

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- 4. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Dadowski to hire Christopher Nablo as a part time police officer in the Borough of Tarentum, retroactive to September 1, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare a scope of work for Phase One of the Tarentum Park Phasing Project and submit an application for funding through the Keystone Communities Grant Program. The motion carried unanimously.
- Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Dzugan to authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare a scope of work for a water valve replacement and manhole repair project and submit an application for a CDBG FY2019 grant. The motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to approve the request of Denise Kissell to utilize Tarentum Park to host a Diabetes Care one-hour informational session on October 2, 2018 from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. The motion carried unanimously.
- 8. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Dadowski to ratify the execution of a Master Power Purchase and Sale Agreement between Tarentum Borough and PSEG Energy Resources & Trade, LLC for the purchase of electric supply through September 30, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
- 9. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Dzugan to hold an event in Tarentum Park on Sunday, September 23, 2018 from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM recognizing and honoring Mayor Carl Magnetta and dedicating the bandshell in his name, and further requesting to block First Avenue from Lock Street to Corbet Street. The motion carried 5-0 with Ms. Fox abstaining.
- 10. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Cornuet to approve Resolution 18-14:

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 1336-P-8 WOULD BE IN ACCORD WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF TARENTUM BOROUGH. The motion carried unanimously.



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11. Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Blythe to approve Resolution 18-15:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA WHICH ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NO EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION IS REQUIRED BY MEMBERS OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TO THE POLICE PENSION PLAN. The motion carried unanimously.

- 12. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Ms. Fox to appoint Greg Blythe to a five year term on the Tarentum Borough Zoning Hearing Board, said term to expire December 31, 2022. The motion carried 5-0 with Mr. Blythe abstaining.
- 13. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Dzugan to approve the Tarentum Borough Trick or Treat night be held on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The motion carried unanimously.
- 14. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Dzugan to approve the request from the Tarentum Borough Recreation Board to hold the Boo Festival in Tarentum Park on Saturday, October 20, 2018 from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM, and further requesting to block First Avenue from Ross Street to Corbet Street. The motion carried unanimously.
- 15. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Homa to approve the request from the Tarentum Borough Recreation Board to hold the Tarentum/Brackenridge Annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, November 17, 2018 at 1:00 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Dadowski to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.