



BOROUGH OF TARENTUM

REGULAR MEETING

Council Chambers

Thursday, February 7, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes



ORDER:	The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Erika Josefoski.		
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG.			
ROLL CALL:	The following members were present: Ms. Erika Josefoski, Mr. Adam Blythe, Ms. Lou Ann Homa, Ms. Carrie Fox, Mr. Scott Dadowski, and Mayor Eric Carter. Absent with cause: Mr. Tim Cornuet		
ALSO PRESENT:	DEPARTMENT	NAME	PRESENT:
	BOROUGH MANAGER	MICHAEL L. NESTICO	X
	BOROUGH SOLICITOR	DAVID A. REGOLI	X
	POLICE OFFICER	MATTHEW KAMINSKI	X
	CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	ANTHONY BRUNI	X
EXCEPTIONS TO OPEN MEETINGS:	Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. for Personnel Matters		
AGENDA:	Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.		
MINUTES:	Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to accept the minutes of the January 10, 2019 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.		
CITIZENS:	<p>Mr. Walt Altfather Jr. – 917 Corbet Street – Requested an update regarding the property/demolition status of 406 E. 9th Avenue. Informed that the pending litigation was continued to March 19, 2019.</p> <p>Mr. Bill Mayhugh – 347 W. 11th Avenue – Concerns with property located at 340 W. 10th Avenue. Property maintenance issues and occupancy concerns. Code officer provided a status update.</p> <p>Mr. Jim Bowser – 314 W 8th Avenue – Concerns about the use of Borough equipment and employees and taxpayer dollars; indicated that this has been presented to the Borough Manager and Solicitor about something that occurred several years prior; does not have firsthand knowledge of items but will reveal source of information to solicitor following the meeting; believes council should straighten things out and turn things around.</p>		
COMMUNICATIONS:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Letter of Interest in Vacant Council Seat – Margret Smith. 2. Letter of Interest in Vacant Council Seat – Jim Bonner. 3. Letter of Interest in Vacant Council Seat – Brian Snyder. 4. Letter of Interest in Vacant Council Seat – Keith Gohn. 5. Letter of Interest in Vacant Council Seat – Tiffany Babinsack. 6. Letter of interest in cleaning position – Michele Williams. 7. Letter requesting Fall Festival – Summit Hose Company 		



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<p><u>INTERVIEWS:</u></p>	<p>Borough Manager conducted public interviews of the candidates interested in filling the vacant 3rd Ward council seat. Interviews were held in the order that letters of interest were received.</p> <p>Margret “Maggie” Smith – Interested in the council seat to become more involved with the Borough and representing her ward. Believes her workforce experience would translate to the position. Would like to be on council to assist with providing more information to the public. Wants to help promote the town and take care of it. Indicated that she is also considering running for the council seat in the upcoming primary. Thanked council for their consideration.</p> <p>Jim Bonner – Interested in the council seat because he wishes to become more involved in his local community. Wants to find ways to distinguish the Borough from other small steel towns and make it more desirable. Believes his work experience will allow him to look for creative solutions from a financial standpoint and also to draw people in to the community. Believes the borough is innovative and should better promote those items. Indicated that he is also considering running for the council seat in the upcoming primary. Thanked council for their consideration.</p> <p>Brian Snyder – Interested in the council seat because he believes a lot of dynamic things have been happening in this small town and wants to help promote those items. Believes that the Borough can become a place that draws people in and where people will want to reside. Believes his work experience will assist in marketing the borough from events to investment to property ownership. Indicated that he is also considering running for the council seat in the upcoming primary. Thanked council for their consideration.</p> <p>Tiffany Babinsack – Interested in the council seat to help provide greater transparency to our local government. Her work experience with other municipalities corresponds well to the position. Believes her work in advocacy, drafting ordinances and her Master’s in public administration would translate well to making decisions on council. Wants to provide information, transparency, and access to the community, especially those who may not know about programs that exist. Indicated that she is also considering running for the council seat in the upcoming primary. Thanked council for their consideration.</p>
<p><u>NOMINATIONS:</u></p>	<p>Council President Ms. Erika Josefoski entertained nominations to fill the vacant council seat. Mr. Adam Blythe nominated Brian Snyder to fill the vacant council seat. Ms. Lou Ann Homa nominated Maggie Smith. Ms. Carrie Fox nominated Tiffany Babinsack. Hearing no further nominations, Ms. Josefoski closed the nominations and asked for a voice vote on the first nomination. A roll call vote in favor of the appointment of Mr. Brian Snyder carried 3 – 2 with Councilpersons Homa and Fox dissenting.</p> <p>(Mr. Brian Snyder was sworn in by Mayor Eric Carter and took his seat at the council table.)</p>



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<u>COMMITTEE REPORTS:</u>		
Mayor Report		
President Report	Attended ACBA Banquet.	
Solicitor Report	Provided explanation of Ordinances and Resolutions for tonight’s meeting.	
Engineer Report	Monthly Report	
Police Chief Report		
Code Officer Report	Monthly Report	
Manager Report		
	Upcoming Events: February 26, 2019 – 6:00 PM – Recreation Board Meeting March 5, 2019 – 6:00 PM – Council Agenda Meeting March 7, 2019 – 6:00 PM – Regular Council Meeting	
Public Works	Monthly Report	Ms. Homa
Utilities		Mr. Dadowski
Water	Monthly Report	
Electric	Website is up and running. Contains a great deal of information about the electric department.	
Intergovernmental		
AVNCOG	COG dues sent out. Borough joined the COG paving program.	Ms. Fox
PSAB/ACBA/ALOM/PML	PSAB conference in June. ALOM conference in April.	Ms. Josefoski
Comprehensive Plan	First meeting taking place on February 12, 2019 at 7PM	Ms. Homa
Finance & Admin.	Ms. Fox provide an update on the “My Work Initiative” program. There are possibly 12 applicants from Highlands School District who could be hired by the Borough for summer work projects. More information to follow.	Mr. Blythe
Community Dev.		
Recreation/Library	2019 Calendar of Events for recreation board being finalized. Rec board Elvis Luncheon at Tarenbee titled “Love Me Tenders” is sold out. Library is holding a “Who Knew?” event about Fred Rogers. Rec board will be hosting a tour of the Water Plant and UAJSA plant on 3/9/19 at 10:00 a.m.	Ms. Fox



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Special Events/Tourism	Moves in the park information will be coming soon. Awaiting final answers on purchasing a movie license for three movies.	Ms. Homa
Parks		Mr. Dadowski
Revitalization		Mr. Blythe
Property/Health/Zoning		Mr. Cornuet
Public Safety		Mr. Cornuet

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to pay the Borough bills for the month of February 2019. The motion carried unanimously. 2. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to approve Resolution #19-01: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ACKNOWLEDGING THE APPOINTMENT OF VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF BOROUGH COUNCILPERSONS. The motion carried 5-0 with Mr. Snyder abstaining. 3. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to approve Resolution #19-02: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA APPROVING THE PUBLICATION OF DELINQUENT TARENTUM BOROUGH PROPERTY TAXPAYERS. The motion carried 5-0 with Mr. Snyder abstaining. 4. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to approve Resolution #19-03: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF SPECIFIC RECORDS PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL RECORDS ACT. The motion carried unanimously. 5. Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Dadowski to approve Resolution #19-04: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING
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THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR A KEYSTONE COMMUNITIES GRANT OPPORTUNITY.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Dadowski to approve the retirement and subsequent separation agreement between Sergeant Ryan Hanford and Tarentum Borough. The motion carried 5-0 with Mr. Snyder abstaining.

7. Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Ms. Fox to advertise Ordinance #19-01:

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, REGULATING THE PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON CERTAIN STREETS, PROVIDING PROCEDURES FOR THE ISSUANCE OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES ON PUBLIC STREETS WITHIN TARENTUM BOROUGH AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

The motion carried unanimously.

8. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Dadowski to advertise Ordinance #19-02:

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, CHAPTER 111, ELECTRICAL STANDARDS, REGULATING CUSTOMER OWNED ELECTRIC GENERATION INSTALLATION AND ESTABLISHING FEES AND SPECIFIC TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS TO ACCOMMODATE CUSTOMER OWNED GENERATION OF ELECTRICITY.

The motion carried unanimously.

9. Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Ms. Josefoski to advertise Ordinance #19-03:

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 90-01, ENTITLED AUTHORIZING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION OF HIRING A JOINT ZONING AND CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WITH THE



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	<p>TOWNSHIP OF EAST DEER USING DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS GRANT MONIES.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>10. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to advertise Ordinance #19-04:</p> <p>ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 05-02, ENTITLED AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO ENTER INTO A JOINT MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH FRAZER TOWNSHIP FOR THE PROVISION OF POLICE PROTECTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES WITHIN FRAZER TOWNSHIP.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>11. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to approve the sale of a 2012 Haulmark 8.5 x 18 Transport Cargo Trailer via MuniBid Auction to Michael Foor in the amount of \$4,200. The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>12. Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Mr. Blythe to approve the request of Summit Hose to hold the annual Fall Festival on September 12, 13 and 14, 2019 in Tarentum Park, and further approving the request to block First Avenue between Ross Street and Corbet Street and all side streets leading to First Avenue from Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 5:00 PM to Saturday, September 14, 2019 at 12:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p><u>ADJOURN:</u></p>	<p>Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Blythe to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.</p>