



# BOROUGH OF TARENTUM

## REGULAR MEETING

Council Chambers

Thursday, August 8, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

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<b>ORDER:</b>	<b>The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Erika Josefoski.</b>		
<b>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG.</b>			
<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	The following members were present: Mr. Brian Snyder, Mr. Scott Dadowski, Mr. Adam Blythe, Ms. Lou Ann Homa, Mr. Tim Cornuet, and Ms. Carrie Fox.  Mayor Eric Carter absent with cause.		
<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	X
<b>EXCEPTIONS TO OPEN MEETINGS:</b>	June 24, 2019 at 6:00 PM for personnel matters July 9, 2019 at 7:30 PM for litigation matters. July 22, 2019 at 6:00 PM for personnel matters. August 6, 2019 at 7:45 PM for personnel and legal matters.		
<b>AGENDA:</b>	Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Blythe to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.		
<b>MINUTES:</b>	Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to accept the minutes of the June 6, 2019 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.		
<b>CITIZENS:</b>	Kevin Bertocki – Asay’s Newstand – 327 E 6th – Asked council for consideration to allow for parking on E 6th Avenue near his business when the street is closed for an event. Also informed council that he does sell some groceries in his store. Gina Landa – 512 E 6th – Wants the Borough to enforce the placement of locks on all dock owner gates so that children cannot access the private docks. Marlene Pollock – 130 W 8th Avenue Rear – Asked council to shed some light on the recent planned West Penn Power outage that occurred a couple weeks prior; Also informed council that there are traffic problems on Walters Way due to cars and trucks being permitted to park on both sides of the alley and kids speeding through this area.		
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Letter from Tarentum Eagles Ladies Auxiliary – Event permission</li> <li>2. Letter from Cindy Homburg – Resignation from Recreation Board</li> <li>3. Letter from Attorney Gerald DeAngelis – ZHB Resignation</li> <li>4. Letter from Samantha Jackson – Park use request</li> <li>5. Letter from Brian Snyder – Event Request</li> <li>6. Letter from BridgePoint Church – Event permission</li> <li>7. Letter from Salvation Army – Event permission</li> <li>8. Letter from Gatto Cycle – Street Closure Request</li> <li>9. Letter from Allegheny County Health – Raccoon Baiting</li> <li>10. Event Request – J&amp;G Corner Store</li> <li>11. Letter from Summit Hose – Boot Drive Request</li> </ol>		



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<b><u>COMMITTEE REPORTS:</u></b>		
<b>Mayor Report</b>		
<b>President Report</b>	Examined properties throughout the Borough with our Code Officer and Restoration Investment Properties, a company who is looking to purchase homes in the Borough, improve and resell those properties.	
<b>Solicitor Report</b>		
<b>Engineer Report</b>		
<b>Police Chief Report</b>		
<b>Code Officer Report</b>	Monthly Report for July 2019. <i>Posted on website.</i> Asbestos report is in for the demo project and results will be examined.	
<b>Manager Report</b>	<p><b>Upcoming Events:</b></p> <p>August 15, 2019 – 7:00 PM – Rec Board Concert            August 17, 2019 – 8:00 AM – TAC Clean Up Event            August 18, 2019 – 8:00 AM – Trash to Treasure Event            August 20, 2019 – 10:00 AM – Fun in the Park Event            August 21, 2019 – 8:00 PM – Movie by the River: Incredibles 2            August 27, 2019 – 6:00 PM – Recreation Board Meeting            August 29, 2019 – 7:00 PM – Rec Board Concert: American Pie            September 2, 2019 – Borough Offices Closed – Labor Day            September 3, 2019 – 6:00 PM – Council Agenda Meeting            September 5, 2019 – 6:00 PM – Council Regular Monthly Meeting</p>	
<b>Public Works</b>	Monthly Report for July 2019. <i>Posted on website.</i> New salt shed installed; delivery of new public works truck	Ms. Homa
<b>Utilities</b>		Mr. Dadowski
<b>Water</b>	Monthly Report for July 2019. <i>Posted on website.</i> Prepared to add a new water plant operator this evening.	
<b>Electric</b>		
<b>Intergovernmental</b>		
<b>AVNCOG</b>	<p>Safe Neighborhoods grant program for housing demolition is due by September 6.</p> <p>Joint paving program guidelines have been approved and the reservation calendar has been distributed.</p> <p>Salt bids came back to SHACOG with 3 ‘no bids’ and one response from Cargill, Inc.; rates went up.</p>	Ms. Fox
<b>PSAB/ACBA/ALOM/PML</b>	Legislative Locator and League Link reports for July 2019. <i>Posted on website.</i> ACBA meeting update on the proposed legislation.	Ms. Josefoski



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<b>Comprehensive Plan</b>	Next steering committee meeting is August 13, 2019 at 6:30 PM in Tarentum Borough.	Ms. Homa
<b>Finance &amp; Admin.</b>		Mr. Blythe
<b>Community Dev.</b>		
<b>Recreation/Library</b>	Next kids day in the park will take place on August 20, 2019 from 10 AM to 11:30 AM with a magician at 10:30AM. Rec Concert on 8/15 features Classic Brew Band Trash to Treasure event takes place on August 18, 2019 Rec Concert on 8/29 features American Pie Historic Landmark Tour/Health Fair on 9/7 Tarentum Magazine is a new concept that the Recreation Board is planning on producing and publishing in the near future which will be paid for by advertisements	Ms. Fox
<b>Special Events/Tourism</b>	Public Safety Day and Bike Rodeo were a great success with 66 helmets given away Next Movie in the Park is on 8/21	Mr. Snyder
<b>Parks</b>	Borough will begin looking at the park rental application process including the fees for various groups	Mr. Dadowski
<b>Revitalization</b>	Councilman Blythe remarked that he is very encouraged by the progress that has been made so far in the Borough, and there is still a lot more to come	Mr. Blythe
<b>Property/Health/Zoning</b>		Mr. Cornuet
<b>Public Safety</b>	Councilman Cornuet stated that an Emergency Management Coordinator is necessary; anyone who is interested should apply.	Mr. Cornuet

<b><u>NEW BUSINESS:</u></b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to pay the Borough bills for the month of June 2019. The motion carried unanimously.</li> <li>2. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to pay the Borough bills for the month of July 2019. The motion carried unanimously.</li> <li>3. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Dadowski to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise for police sergeant testing. The motion carried unanimously.</li> <li>4. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to ratify authorization for the Borough Manager to advertise a public works laborer position. The motion carried unanimously.</li> </ol>
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5. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to approve the revised job description for the water plant operator position. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Ms. Homa to ratify the award of the bid for asbestos testing services of 28 residential properties to Corwin Inspections LLC in the amount of \$11,175. The motion carried unanimously.
7. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Dadowski to approve the request of the Tarentum Eagles Ladies Auxiliary #699 to hold flea markets in their parking lot on Saturday, July 13, August 3, September 7 and October 5, 2019 from 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM. The motion carried unanimously.
8. Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Dadowski to authorize the Borough Manager to execute the agreement between Tarentum Borough and Utility Service Partners Private Label, Inc. d/b/a/ Service Line Warranties of America to grant said company the right to offer and market insurance products to residential property owners within the Borough for a three (3) year term. The motion carried unanimously.
9. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to approve Resolution #19-08:  
  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. The motion carried unanimously.
10. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to approve Resolution #19-09:  
  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA INDICATING THE INTENT TARENTUM BOROUGH TO WORK ALONG WITH ALLEGHENY COUNTY TO ACCOMPLISH THE GOALS OF THE LIVE WELL ALLEGHENY CAMPAIGN. The motion carried unanimously.
11. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to approve Resolution #19-10:  
  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGILITY AGREEMENT WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. The motion carried unanimously.



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12. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Ms. Homa to accept the resignation of Cindy Homburg from the Tarentum Recreation Board. The motion carried unanimously.
13. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Dadowski to accept the resignation of Gerald DeAngelis, Esq. as solicitor of the Zoning Hearing Board. The motion carried unanimously.
14. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Ms. Fox to ratify the hiring of officer Jeremy Belusar as a part-time police officer for Tarentum Borough. The motion carried unanimously.
15. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Ms. Homa to hire officer Jordan Schrecengost as a part-time police officer for Tarentum Borough. The motion carried unanimously.
16. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Blythe to approve Resolution #19-11:  
  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF PAY FOR PART TIME POLICE OFFICERS IN TARENTUM BOROUGH. The motion carried unanimously.
17. Motion by Mr. Snyder, second by Mr. Dadowski to approve Resolution #19-12:  
  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA APPROVING THE APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION REQUEST FROM ERICK WHITE TO SEEK FUNDING AND ASSISTANCE FROM THE PITTSBURGH PENGUINS FOUNDATION AND USA HOCKEY FOR REPAIRS AND ORGANIZATION OF THE TARENTUM DEK HOCKEY FACILITY. The motion carried unanimously.
18. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Blythe to hire Mark Anuszek as public works supervisor. The motion carried unanimously.
19. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to ratify the hiring of the law firm of Geary and Loperfito as solicitor for the Tarentum Zoning Hearing Board at a rate of \$135/hour. The motion carried unanimously.



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20. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to approve the request of Denise Kissell to utilize Tarentum Park to host a Diabetes Care one-hour informational session on September 17, 2019 from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. The motion carried unanimously.
21. Motion by Mr. Dadowski, second by Ms. Fox to ratify the request from Dry Bones to utilize electric service for an event on July 20, 2019 from 12 PM to 10 PM. The motion carried 6-0 with Councilman Snyder abstaining.
22. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to approve the request of BridgePoint Church to utilize the stage and pavilion area to hold morning services and an afternoon picnic on September 15, 2019 and October 20, 2019 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The motion carried unanimously.
23. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Cornuet to authorize the Borough Manager and Council President to attend the Pennsylvania Municipal Electric Association annual conference from September 11, 2019 to September 13, 2019. The motion carried 6-0 with Councilwoman Josefoski abstaining.
24. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to approve the request of the Salvation Army to hold its 1st Annual Red Kettle 5K Race and 1 Mile Family Fun Run on Saturday, November 16, 2019 from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. The motion carried unanimously.
25. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to approve the request of Gatto Cycle to close Wood Street on August 17, 2019 from 10 AM to 5 PM. The motion carried unanimously.
26. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Blythe to hire Christopher Nablo as full time police officer effective August 11, 2019. The motion carried unanimously.
27. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Ms. Homa to authorize the Borough manager to prepare a request for proposals for the 2019 Tarentum Borough Demolition Project. The motion carried unanimously.
28. Motion by Mr. Cornuet, second by Mr. Blythe to ratify purchase of a Dodge Durango AWD police sport utility vehicle in the amount of \$32,950 of which \$30,000 will be offset by grant funding and the Borough will contribute a matching amount of \$2,950. The motion carried unanimously.



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	<p>29. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to approve the request of Amber Snyder from J&amp;G Corner store to hold an End of Summer Block Party at Riverview Park on August 31, 2019 from 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The motion carried 6-1 with Councilwoman Josefoski voting No.</p> <p>30. Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to accept the Rock Salt bid award through the SHACOG purchasing alliance and execute the agreement with Cargill, Inc. for a price of \$82.24 per ton. The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>31. Motion by Mr. Dadwoski, second by Ms. Fox to conditionally hire Bryan Kephart as water plant operator pursuant to the terms outlined in the collective bargaining agreement. The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>32. Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Homa to approve the request of Summit Hose VFC to hold a Boot Drive on Saturday, August 10, 2019 from 10 AM to 4 PM at the intersection of Ross Street and East 7th Avenue. The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<u>CITIZENS:</u>	
<u>ADJOURN:</u>	<p>Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Cornuet to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.</p>