



BOROUGH OF TARENTUM

COUNCIL MEETING

BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Tuesday, September 7, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting



Order:	The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Scott Dadowski.		
Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.			
Roll Call:	The following members were present: Mr. Brian Snyder, Mr. Scott Dadowski, Mr. Raymond Kerr, Mr. Adam Blythe, Ms. Lou Ann Homa, Mr. Jim Bonner, and Ms. Carrie Fox. Mayor Eric Carter was absent with cause.		
Also Present:	DEPARTMENT	NAME	PRESENT:
	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
Exceptions to Open Meetings:	N/A		
Minutes:	Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to accept the August 3, 2021 Regular Council Meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.		
Public Comment: <i>Agenda Items.</i>	N/A		
Communications:	01. Communication 01 – Tarentum Area Lion’s Club – Event Request 02. Communication 02 – Mayor Appointment Request – Bob Lang 03. Communication 03 – First Baptist Church Event Request		

COMMITTEE and DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mayor Report	
President Report	<p>Thanks to Councilman Snyder, his wife and others who assisted in the Tarentum Art, Beer and Music Festival.</p> <p>Thanks to public works department for the beautification around town this summer.</p> <p>Thanks to Councilwoman Fox and the Recreation Board for their programming throughout the summer.</p> <p>CDC Advisory Board will meet on Wed. Sept. 29, 2021. There are around 10 items on the agenda. One item that will be discussed is the grant application for facade improvement funding. Borough did not commit to a proposal which contemplated \$5,000 toward a rendering of the streetscape. The CDC was still looking into this item without the funding contribution.</p>
Solicitor Report	Provided council with an update regarding the Sunshine Law modifications that were recently implemented.
Police Chief Report	
Code Officer Report	2021.08 Monthly Report Demolition bid on the agenda for tonight.



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<p>Engineer Report</p>	<p>2021.09 - Engineer Report</p> <p>CDBG Year 48 Application submitted for pipe repair on Davidson Street and 9th Avenue; repair and replacement of 20 manholes within the sanitary system.</p> <p>MS4 reminder: The MS4 page on our website was updated last month. Additional information added. Please be mindful of dumping into the stormwater system.</p>																				
<p>Manager Report</p>	<p>Upcoming Events:</p> <p>September 28, 2021 – 6:00 PM – Recreation Board Meeting October 5, 2021 – 6:00 PM – Borough Council Regular Meeting</p> <p>Reports and Updates:</p> <p>Tarentum Borough – Trick or Treat Night – October 31, 2021</p> <p>2021.08 - Legislative Locator 2021.08 - League Link 2021.08 - PELRAS Update 2021.08 - Allegheny County Council Connection Newsletter</p> <p>Sheriff Sale Listings (August 2021):</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="402 1129 1461 1434"> <thead> <tr> <th>Property:</th> <th>Auction #:</th> <th>Docket #:</th> <th>Date:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>622 Roup Street</td> <td>020JUL21</td> <td>MG-20-000256</td> <td>10/4/2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>319 W 9th Avenue</td> <td>006JUN20</td> <td>MG-19-000810</td> <td>10/4/2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>621 E 8th Avenue</td> <td>015FEB21</td> <td>GD-20-007634</td> <td>9/7/2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>349 W 7th Avenue</td> <td>082JUL19</td> <td>GD-17-016997</td> <td>1/3/2022</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to pay the Borough bills for the month of August, 2021. The motion carries unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Fox to accept the resignation of Mayor Eric Carter, effective immediately. The motion carries unanimously. <p>Discussion and/or motion for appointment to open Mayor seat.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Mr. Snyder to award the bid for the 2021 Tarentum Omnibus Demolition Project Phase 2.4 to Ron Gillette Inc. in the amount of \$33,786. The motion carries unanimously. 	Property:	Auction #:	Docket #:	Date:	622 Roup Street	020JUL21	MG-20-000256	10/4/2021	319 W 9th Avenue	006JUN20	MG-19-000810	10/4/2021	621 E 8th Avenue	015FEB21	GD-20-007634	9/7/2021	349 W 7th Avenue	082JUL19	GD-17-016997	1/3/2022
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to authorize the Tarentum Area Lion’s Club to hold a “Book Walk” event on Saturday, October 9, 2021 or Saturday, October 16, 2021 in the Tarentum Riverview Memorial Park. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Blythe to execute a five-year lease agreement with Quadient for a postage machine and envelope feeder at a rate of \$489.76 per month. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Ms. Fox to authorize the Police Chief to apply for a USDA Community Facilities grant in the amount of \$33,700 for the purchase of a Police Interceptor vehicle. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Snyder to execute a one-year professional services contract with Hoffman Kennels to provide animal control services in Tarentum Borough. The motion carried unanimously. ❖ Motion by Mr. Kerr, second by Ms. Homa to approve the event for First Baptist Church at the Magnetta Amphitheatre on Sunday, September 26, 2021 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm for a church service event. The motion carried unanimously. 	
AVNCOG	No report, no meeting in August.	Ms. Fox
Business Advisory Committee	BAC will be reaching out to businesses to solicit feedback about their impressions of the Borough.	Mr. Kerr
Finance & Admin.	<p>2021.08 – Budget Report 2021.08 – Check Register 2021.08 – Check Register (Liquid Fuels) 2021.08 – YTD Revenue/Expenditure Report 2021.07 - Real Estate Transfer Tax Report</p> <p>The 2022 MMO Calculations are as follows: Police - \$137,005 Non-Uniform - \$162,221</p>	Mr. Blythe
Parks/ Recreation/ Library	<p>Day of caring project will take place on Fri., Sept 10, 2021. The underside of the pavilion will be painted.</p> <p>The Boofest is planned for October 17. There will be food trucks and crafters if all works out.</p> <p>The Tarentum Light Up Contest will now include businesses and residents.</p>	Ms. Fox



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	<p>Christmas Parade will be November 20, 2021. We will resume the prior parade efforts in conjunction with Brackenridge.</p> <p>“Santa Claus is Coming to Town”. December 4 from 3pm to 5pm</p> <p>Remembrance Tree is ¼ full. Many calls are coming in inquiring about placing a memorial on the tree.</p>	
Property/Health/ Zoning	<p>Seeking EAC members. We have several folks who have expressed interest. They will likely submit letters of interest next month.</p> <p>Vaccination rates in the 15084 zip code are among the lowest in the County.</p>	Mr. Bonner
Public Safety	Eureka – Monthly Report	Mr. Blythe
Public Works	<p>2021.08 Monthly Report</p> <p>PennDOT Winter Services Maintenance Agreement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Kerr to adopt Resolution #21-12: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A WINTER SERVICES MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. The motion carries unanimously. ❖ Motion by Ms. Homa, second by Mr. Kerr to adopt Resolution #21-13: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. The motion carries unanimously. 	Ms. Homa
Redevelopment/ Revitalization	Brian Defelices purchased the “Harrison’s Store” on Corbet Street.	Ms. Fox
Special Events/ Tourism	1st Craft Beer Festival is complete. Thanks to Council, Manos Gallery, several others for their assistance and cooperation to make the event a success.	Mr. Snyder
Utilities	<p>Water – 2021.08 – Water Plant Report</p> <p>Electric – 2021.08 – PMEA Monthly e-Newsletter</p>	Mr. Bonner



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	<p>28.2 million gallons processed last month. That is 1.16 inches across the Borough if spread out. That's only 1/3 the amount of rain we got last week after Hurricane Ida.</p> <p>Dollar Energy Fund discussions will continue this month.</p>	
Public Comment:	<p>Hailey's Hair Salon - 318 E 5th Avenue - 9/11 charity, "Mission Roll Call", for military haircuts and donations. Asking if they can place flyers on the telephone poles around town.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Motion by Ms. Fox, second by Mr. Snyder authorizing the placement of "Mission Roll Call" postings on the Tarentum Borough utility poles through September 30, 2021, provided that signs are also removed at the conclusion of the fundraiser event. The motion passes unanimously. <p>Cindy Homburg - 538 E 10th Avenue - Asked about parking violations on the yellow lines. At the intersection of 10th Avenue and Garfield Street the yellow line needs to be re-painted. Cars park right up to the end of the street on E 10th and it is hard to pull out of Garfield Street.</p>	
Additional Council Comment:	<p>Councilman Kerr discussed the "Moving the Flag Ceremony" event taking place on Saturday, September 11.</p>	
Adjourn:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Motion by Mr. Blythe, second by Ms. Homa to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.	