



BOROUGH OF TARENTUM
COUNCIL MEETING IN BOROUGH
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Tuesday, January 09, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting

ORDER: 6:00 _____ p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG:

ROLL CALL: Scott Dadowski, Kevin Bertocki, Lou Ann Homa, Raymond Kerr, Maggie Smith and Mayor Bob Lang. Late Arrival Brian Nolan (6:07)

ALSO PRESENT: **Borough Solicitor:** Eric H. Dee;
Borough Manager: Dwight D. Boddorf;
Code Enforcement Officer: Anthony D. Bruni;
Police Department: Lieutenant Mark Glogowski

*Motion to amend the agenda to add WTP Policies 1 and 2.
RK/LH; 5-0.*

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Resident Jim Bonner offered his support for Al Bowers and Cythina Kramer to be named to the Environmental Advisory Council and for Carrie Fox to be named to the Planning Committee.

EXCEPTIONS TO OPEN MEETINGS (65 Pa.C.S.A. § 707):

The following executive sessions were held: 1-2-2024.

MINUTES: [12-12-23 Council Agenda Meeting](#)

KB/MS; 6-0

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Email request from Cynthia Kramer for a reappointment to the EAC.
2. Email request from Al Bowers for a reappointment to the EAC.
3. Email notification from Maggie Smith resigning from the Tarentum Borough Zoning Board.
4. Letter from Scott Dadowski resigning from the Tarentum Borough Council at-large position and confirming the second ward position.
5. Email request from Carrie Fox about appointment to the Planning Committee

COMMITTEE and DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mayor Report	<i>For both Boroughs: 34 Major Crimes, 161 all other calls, 19 arrests, 8 traffic and 4 nontraffic citations issues.</i>
President Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Council president to appoint Ray Kerr as chairperson of the Business Advisory Committee. ▪ Council president to appoint Ray Kerr as chairperson of the Utilities Committee.



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- Council president to appoint Lou Ann Homa as chairperson of the Public Works Committee.
- Council president to appoint Lou Ann Homa as chairperson of the Public Safety Committee.
- Council president to appoint Scott Dadowski as chairperson of the Administration, Employee Relations, and Finance Committee.
- Council president to appoint Maggie Smith as chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Committee.
- Council president to appoint Maggie Smith as the Liaison to the Environmental Advisory Committee.
- Council president to appoint Brian Nolan as Chairperson of the Property, Zoning, and Health Committee.
- Council president to appoint Kevin Bertocki as AVN COG Representative. *Motion later in the meeting.*
- Council president to appoint Kevin Bertocki as Chairperson of the Redevelopment and Revitalization Committee.

Once the final person is appointed to Council committee assignments may change. As a reminder, the ACBA is 2/03/2024. If you are interested, please reach out to the Borough Manager to register.
“Shout-out” to the Public Works department for keeping the roads clear.

Solicitor Report	<i>Assisted Borough Manger and Code Enforcement Officer over various issues. I spoke with Matt Sprung about the Zoning Map, and it should be ready shortly.</i>
Police Chief Report	
Code Officer Report	2023.12 Monthly Report

Engineer Report	2023.12- Engineer Report Clean up after your pet. Don't let pet waste get washed down the storm drain or into the street.
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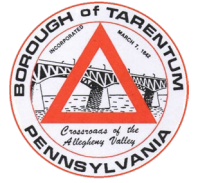
Manager Report	Finance Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The 2024 Budget has been entered into the Tyler System.▪ The 2024 Fee schedule will be entered into Tyler over the next two weeks. Upcoming Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ N/A Other Updates:
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- The new template for the back of Borough bills went out for January, and we will look for any feedback to modify them if necessary.
- The annual Business Privilege Licenses will go out this month.
- The joint grant application with Cheswick for riverfront planning was submitted. Tarentum is the lead on this application.
- There was a meeting on 12/19/23 to discuss Salzmman-Hughes's recommendations for updating the Borough's electric ordinances. The discussions at that meeting will need to create several additional ordinances.
- We are submitting several end/beginning-of-year reports to the State and County.
- As of 12/27, work continues at the light at 10th and Corbet. Work on the funeral home side has progressed. The boring is complete, and the pole foundation should be installed, weather permitting.

Reports and Updates:

2023.12 - Legislative Locator: No Update since December

2023.12 - [League Link: November 2023](#) (no December update)

[2023.12 - PELRAS Update](#)

[2023.12 - Allegheny County Council](#)

[2023.12 – PME Ae-Newsletter](#)

Sheriff Sale Listings ([2023](#)):

[2023.12 Bid List](#)

[2023.12 Sale Results](#)

Business

Postponed Business:

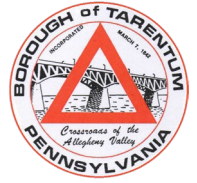
- N/A

New Business:

- Motion to pay the Borough bills for the month of December 2023.
RK/BN; 6-0
- Motion to accept the resignation of Scott Dadowski as councilperson at-large.
BN/LH; 5-0, 1 abstention.
- Motion to appoint/advertise to fill the vacancy of councilperson for at-large.
MS/LH; 6-0
- Motion to accept the resignation of Maggie Smith from the Tarentum Borough Zoning Board.
BN/RK; 5-0; 1 abstention.
- Motion to nominate Kevin Bertocki as AVN COG Representative.
RK/BN; 5-0; 1 abstention.
- Motion to approve Borough Manager contract renewal.
*Note: the contract is for two years.



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RK/BN; 6-0

- Motion to appoint Eric Dee as the Solicitor of Tarentum Borough for 2024.

RK/LH; 6-0

- Motion to appoint Gibson Thomas as the Engineering Firm for Tarentum Borough for 2024.

LH/KB; 6-0



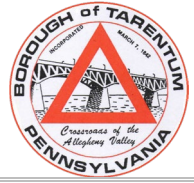
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- Motion to appoint Mark C. Turnley, CPA, as Auditor for Tarentum Borough for 2024.
KB/RK; 6-0
- Motion to appoint First National Bank as the Depository of Tarentum Borough for 2024.
LH/MS; 6-0
- Motion to appoint Altany Insurance as the Insurance Brokerage of Tarentum for 2024.
RK/KB; 6-0
- Motion to reappoint Al Bowers for a three-year term to the Environmental Advisory Council.
BN/KB; 6-0
- Motion to reappoint Cythina Kramer to the Environmental Advisory Council for a three-year term.
BN/LH; 6-0
- Motion to appoint Carrie Fox to the Planning Committee for a two-year term.
MS/KB; 6-0
- Motion to approve Conditional Use Decision regarding TripPak's billboard request at 1223-P-00245.
RK/BN; 6-0
- Motion to approve Conditional Use Decision regarding Lundberg's (Legends) fitness and training request at 1223-N-90.
Borough Manager Boddorf reminded the Council that this is a reversion to their first design and material change to metal.
RK/LH; 6-0
- Motion to advertise an amendment to [Ordinance 24-01](#):
ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FIXING THE LEVELS OF EMPLOYEES OF ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM AND THE RATES OF COMPENSATION THEREOF FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024.
**Note: adds solicitors annual fees.*
BN/MS; 6-0
- Motion to adopt and advertise revised [2024 proposed Council Meetings Schedule](#).
BN/KB; 6-0
- Motion to approve Borough Policy: WTP 1 and 2. (Amended)
Borough Manager Boddorf noted this is to clarify current policies. Councilmen Kerr asked about Council Members having access to the WTP. The manager clarified that they can be on the premises with WTP or Borough Manager approval. This is for the safety and security



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	<p><i>of the community water system.</i> <i>RK/BN; 6-0</i></p>	
<p>AVNCOG</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Chair: Mr. Bertocki</p>
<p>Business Advisory Committee</p>	<p><i>The committee is going to sit down and try to figure out how to get more businesses involved.</i></p>	<p>Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Mr. Bertocki</p>
<p>Finance & Admin.</p>	<p>2023.12 Budget Report 2023.12 Check Register</p>	<p>Chair: Mr. Dadowski Member: Ms. Smith</p>
<p>Parks & Recreation</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Chair: Ms. Smith Member: Mr. Bertocki</p>



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Property/Health / Zoning	N/A	Chair: Mr. Nolan Member: Mr. Kerr
Public Safety	N/A	Chair: Ms. Homa Member: Mr. Bertocki
Public Works	2023.12 Monthly Report <i>PW did a great job.</i>	Chair: Ms. Homa Member: Ms. Smith
Redevelopment/ Revitalization	N/A	Chair: Mr. Bertocki Member: Mr. Dadowski
Utilities	Water – 2023.12 – Water Plant Report Electric -2023.12 – Electric Report	Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Mr. Nolan

Borough Manger Boddorf noted that the 2024 planning committee meeting schedule came in. He also thanked the Police Officers for their service on National Police Officer Appreciation Day. Mr. Kerr stated, “We have the finest police force in the Valley.”

CITIZENS COMMENT:

Resident lola Simmons wanted to inform everyone that garbage men wouldn't pick up cardboard boxes. Borough Manager Boddorf noted several rounds of communication went out about that, but the Borough still notifies residents as they call with concern. Mrs. Simmons also asked when the Council Meetings will be. Borough Manager Boddorf noted that it is moving back to once a month on the second Tuesday of the month at the same time.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 PM.

RK/LH; 6-0



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