



BOROUGH OF TARENTUM
COUNCIL MEETING IN BOROUGH COUNCIL
CHAMBERS
Tuesday, April 15, 2025 – 6:00 p.m. (Rescheduled)
 Regular Meeting



ORDER: _____ p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG:

ROLL CALL: Maggie Smith, Susan Clark, Scott Dadowski, Lou Ann Homa, Kevin Bertocki, Brian Nolan, and Mayor Bob Lang. Absent with cause: Raymond Kerr

ALSO

Borough Solicitor: Eric H. Dee;

Borough Manager: Dwight D. Boddorf;

PRESENT: **Code Enforcement Officer:** Anthony D. Bruni; Absent with cause

Police Department: Lieutenant Mark Glogowski

PRESENTATION: Presentation from Pashek + MTR on riverfront progress.

CITIZEN COMMENT SECTION 1: Open to any comment **on the current** agenda. (3-minute time limit)

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

1. N/A

MINUTES: [03-11-2025 Regular Meeting Minutes](#)

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. [First Baptist Church of Tarentum’s request to utilize the amphitheater for an event and picnic on August 17, 2025](#)
2. [Abundant Joy requests to utilize the Amphitheater on May 1, 2025.](#)
3. Letter from F-Squared

COMMITTEE and DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mayor Report	
President Report	
Solicitor Report	
Police Chief Report	



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Code Officer Report	2025.03 Monthly Report
Engineer Report	<p>2025.03- Engineer Report</p> <p>Do NOT discard leaves, grass clippings, used oil, paints, solvents, or other wastes into the storm drains, roadside ditches, or stream channels.</p>
Manager Report	<p>Finance Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Borough is working on the 2024 audit with our independent auditor. ▪ Credit Rating Upgrade: We're proud to share that Tarentum Borough has received a credit rating upgrade! This positive step reflects our strong financial management, responsible budgeting, and ongoing efforts to build long-term stability for our community. An improved credit rating helps lower borrowing costs and strengthens our ability to invest in future projects that benefit our residents and businesses. <p>Upcoming Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tarentum Easter Egg Hunt on April 19 in the park at 9:00 AM ▪ Earth Day cleanup on April 26th <p>Other Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spray Park Fence ▪ Demolition of 628-630 East 9th Avenue ▪ CCTV as part of DEP Consent Order for Sewage ▪ Electric update: <p>Reports and Updates: 2025.03 - League Link: March 2025 2025.02 - PELRAS Update (last update) 2025.03 - Allegheny County Council 2025.03 - PME Ae-Newsletter</p> <p>Sheriff Sale Listings (2025): 2025.03 Bid List 2025.03 Sale Results</p>
Business	<p>Postponed Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ N/A <p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to pay the Borough bills for the month of March 2025. ▪ Motion to approve the hiring of Officer Caleb Black per the recommendation of Mayor Lang and Chief Vakulick. *Note: position paid for through agreement with Brackenridge



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- Motion to approve Lien Letters and Account Certification Policy
- Motion to approve K9 Policy
- Motion to approve MOA with Tarentum Borough Police Policy and Wage Committee related to K9 duties.
- Discussion on 2025 road paving.
- Motion to approve 628-630 East 9th Avenue emergency demolition to Ron Gillette Inc. for \$25,023.67.
- Motion to approve resubmission of 2025 CPF request for 2026 CPF.
*Note: Tarentum was one of 15 communities selected for funding for 2025, but the most recent federal continuing resolution didn't include any appropriations.
- Motion to appoint Wendy Meyers to the Riverfront Development Committee.
- Motion to authorize the Borough Manager to explore the feasibility of a fire department merger, including the consolidation of facilities, operations, and staffing. Further, the Borough Manager is authorized to engage with a qualified engineer and/or architect to obtain preliminary cost estimates and conceptual designs for a potential unified fire station to serve the merged operations.
*Note: Preliminary findings and recommendations shall be presented to the Council for further consideration.
- Motion to approve First Baptist Church of Tarentum's request to utilize the amphitheater for an event and picnic on August 17, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
- Motion to approve Abundant Joy requests to utilize the Amphitheater on May 1, 2025.
*Note: estimated from 60 to 100 people.
- Motion to approve the Night Market request for road closure and bandshell use on 1st Avenue on May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14, and October 9.
- Motion to approve the specialized riverfront structure and debris [removal bid](#) from Three Rivers Diving.
*Note: Three Rivers Diving is one of the only companies capable of doing the work.
- Motion to approve Public Input Session on Riverfront Planning for May 20, 2025, at 5:00 PM at the Heritage Museum.
- Motion to approve [Borough Branding Policy](#).
- Motion to approve MOU with AFSCME13 for Temporary Acting Manager.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to approve Resolution 25-04: Allegheny River Development Corporation A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ALLEGHENY RIVER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND ITS EFFORTS TO PROMOTE FREE TRANSIT THROUGH ALL LOCKS ON THE ALLEGHENY RIVER, RESPONSIBLE RECREATIONAL BOATING, COMMERCIAL NAVIGATION, AND ECONOMIC GROWTH ▪ Motion to approve Resolution 25-05: Event Liability Insurance A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM ESTABLISHING A REQUIREMENT FOR EVENT LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR EVENTS HOSTED BY THIRD-PARTY ORGANIZATIONS ON BOROUGH PROPERTY OR IN PUBLIC SPACES ▪ Motion to approve Resolution 25-06: Lien Letters A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE OFFICIAL PROCEDURE FOR LIEN LETTERS AND ACCOUNT CERTIFICATIONS FOR THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM ▪ Motion to adopt Ordinance 25-07: (previously Ordinance 23-05) AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR MOBILE FOOD VENDORS AND FOOD TRUCKS OPERATING WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM. 	
AVNCOG		Chair: Mr. Bertocki
Business Advisory Committee		Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Mr. Bertocki
Finance & Admin.	2025.03 Budget Report 2025.03 Check Register	Chair: Mr. Bertocki Member: Ms. Smith
Parks/ Recreation		Chair: Ms. Smith Member: Mr. Bertocki
Property/Health / Zoning		Chair: Mr. Nolan Member: Mr. Kerr
Public Safety	Fire Department Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Eureka (Fire & EMS) ▪ Highlands: ▪ Summit: 	Chair: Ms. Clark Member: Mrs. Homa



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Public Works	No Report	Chair: Ms. Homa Member: Ms. Smith
Redevelopment/ Revitalization		Chair: Ms. Clark Member: Mr. Bertock
Utilities	Water – 2025.03 – Water Plant Report Electric – No Report	Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Mr. Nolan

CITIZENS COMMENT SECTION 2: This is Open to residents and taxpayers of Tarentum Borough for any comment. (3-minute time limit)

ADJOURN:



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