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Tarentum Borough Announces Junior Council Member and Municipal Management Fellow

Tarentum, PA — Tarentum Borough Council has officially selected a participant for its Junior Council Member Program and appointed a Municipal Management Fellow as part of the Borough's ongoing commitment to leadership development and civic engagement.

The Junior Council Member Program provides a local student with the opportunity to observe and participate in municipal government. While the role is non-voting, the Junior Council Member attends public meetings, participates in discussions, and provides a youth perspective on community issues.

Council was impressed with the student's initiative, accomplishments, and genuine interest in local government. The appointment runs through June, with the option to reappoint in the fall. The Borough congratulates the young man selected and looks forward to his contributions.

"Our goal is to help young leaders understand how local government works and ensure their generation has a voice in decisions that shape our community," said Council President Scott Dadowski. "If we want strong communities in the future, we need to invest in civic leadership today."

In addition, the Borough has selected Shane Brown to serve as its Municipal Management Fellow.

The Municipal Management Fellowship is a structured, hands-on training opportunity for individuals pursuing careers in local government leadership. Serving in a role similar to an Assistant Municipal Manager, Mr. Brown will work closely with Borough leadership on daily operations, budgeting, public works coordination, utility oversight, policy development, and long-term planning initiatives.

The Fellowship provides meaningful, real-world experience in municipal administration; exposure that can be difficult to gain early in a professional career. During his time with the Borough, Mr. Brown will assist with research, project coordination, intergovernmental collaboration, and operational improvements, while gaining direct insight into how small-town government functions day to day.

"Local government is where infrastructure, public safety, utilities, and community development intersect," said Borough Manager Dwight Boddorf. "This Fellowship gives emerging leaders the opportunity to understand that complexity firsthand and develop the practical skills necessary to lead communities effectively."

Tarentum Borough remains committed to institutional continuity, leadership development, and long-term capacity building as part of its broader mission to strengthen local government for the future.

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