



BOROUGH OF TARENTUM
COUNCIL MEETING IN BOROUGH COUNCIL
CHAMBERS

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting Minutes



ORDER: 6:00_____ p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG:

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

ALSO

Junior Council Person: Gavyn Kilgore;

Borough Solicitor: Eric H. Dee;

PRESENT:

Borough Manager: Dwight D. Boddorf;

Municipal Management Fellow: Shane Brown;

Code Enforcement Officer: Anthony D. Bruni;

Police Department: Lieutenant Mark Glogowski

PRESENTATION:

1. *Borough Manager Boddorf noted that he will turn over the seat to Shane Brown, the municipal management fellow, to help him gain hands on experience.*

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: 03-10-2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
03-25-2026 Special Meeting Minutes (EMS)

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. [Request from Pioneer Hose Station](#)
2. [Memo from Shane Brown, Municipal Management Fellow, on weed control](#)
3. [Event Request from the Church of Tarentum](#)
4. [Events Request for Night Market](#)

COMMITTEE and DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mayor Report	<i>309 incidents, 18 arrests, 68 citations and 2 warrants.</i>
President Report	<i>Carrie and I were able to represent the Borough at the Spring ALOM conference. We received the 2026 Banner Community Award.</i> <i>Dwight was asked to do a presentation with Brad, Amy Rockwell, and Jim Erb about EMS. This is the first time Tarentum has been asked to present. There were about 150 individuals.</i>
Solicitor Report	<i>We received a water service request for a project in East Deer. My legal opinion is that we are not able to provide service to them due to our contract with East Deer.</i>



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Police Chief Report	N/A
Code Officer Report	2026.03 Report
Engineer Report	2026.03- Engineer Report Do NOT discard leaves, grass clippings, used oil, paints, solvents, or other wastes into the storm drains, roadside ditches, or stream channels.
Manager Report	Finance Update: ▪ N/A Upcoming Events: ▪ See Rec. Board Event Listings Other Updates: ▪ 7th and Ormond Update <i>Work started on April 1st</i> ▪ Water Meter Updates We are finalizing the installation locations and plan for the new smart water pressure meters. We expect to deploy them in May/June. ▪ Traffic Light The traffic light by the gas station is being replaced tomorrow. It was hit by a box truck a few weeks ago, and the replacement parts have arrived. ▪ Tree Trimming ▪ Park Weed Control <i>We've identified that our current approach to park weed control is labor-intensive, requiring multiple Public Works staff for extended periods every two weeks, which limits their ability to focus on other priorities. To address this, we are recommending a one-year trial of a contracted service that would provide 3 to 4 seasonal applications to improve consistency and reduce workload. The program would be funded by reallocating existing park maintenance funds, meaning there is no additional cost to the Borough.</i> ▪ EMS Authority Approval <i>I wanted to share that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has officially approved the Articles of Incorporation for the Alle Kiski Emergency Services Authority. With that approval, the Authority is now formally established.</i> Reports and Updates: 2026.03 – League Link: March 2026 2026.03 – PELRAS Update 2026.03 – Allegheny County Council 2026.03 – PMEA: e-Newsletter 2026.Q1- Waste Management



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	Sheriff Sale Listings (2025): 2026.03 Bid List 2026.03 Sale Results
Business	Postponed Business: ▪ N/A New Business: ▪ Motion to pay the Borough bills for the month of March 2026 CF/LH; 6-0 ▪ Motion to approve Church of Tarentum's request for an event at the park on 4-18-2026 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. MS/CF; 6-0 ▪ Motion to approve Night Market events on 5-14-2026, 6-11-2026, and 8-13-2026. The requester has asked that Council choose between Corbet St. and E. 6th Ave for whichever is best for the town. *Note: Liability Insurance is still required and is being sponsored by the Trib CF/SC; 6-0 ▪ Discussion on Pioneer Hose request for July 3, 2026, fireworks. CF/LH; 6-0 ▪ Motion to approve road closure and municipal property use per Pioneer Hose's request for July 3, 2026, from 8:00 PM to 11:00 OM. *Note: Subject to size limit on fireworks for fire safety. MS/LH; 6-0 ▪ Discussion on ownership and donation of portable bleachers at Dreshar. *Little League has asked about this since they have gone unused for a few years now. ▪ Motion to adjust water plant 2nd shift operating hours from 2:00 PM to 10:00 PM to 1:45 PM to 9:45 PM. This adjustment is intended to create a brief overlap between shifts, allowing operators time to communicate key operational updates, ongoing issues, and any system changes. Improving this transition will help ensure operational continuity, reduce the risk of miscommunication, and support more efficient plant management. SC/MS; 6-0 ▪ Motion to approve façade grant for 621 E. 1st Ave based on the Planning Commission's recommendation. *Note: final façade grant, no more funding. SC/MS; 6-0 ▪ Motion to authorize the installation of the Chimney Swift Tower at the Rachel Carson Trail head in the Bakerstown Road area



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	SC/MS; 6-0 ▪ Motion to approve Ron Gillette Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder for the demolition of 913,915, and 917 Porter Street for \$43,500.00 SC/LH; 6-0 ▪ Motion to approve Ron Gillette Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder for the demolition and road widening of 708 Pearl Street for \$52,303.40 CF/MS; 6-0 ▪ Motion to approve Ron Gillette Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder for the ADA ramp project for \$18,000.00 *Note: This is grant-funded through the AVNCOG, and they serve as the project manager SC/CF; 6-0 ▪ Motion to enter into an agreement with VIPR, LLC for license plate recognition services at a cost of \$2,675 annually. *Note: This replaces the existing PlateSmart system and aligns the Borough with the Allegheny County District Attorney's platform. MS/SC; 6-0 ▪ Motion to approve Drone Purchase from Brinc for Police Department Grant. *Note: Grant is for \$44,550.00. CF/MS; 6-0	
AVNCOG	N/A	Chair: Mr. Bertocki Alternate: Mrs. Fox
Business Advisory Committee	N/A	Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Mr. Bertocki
Finance & Admin.	2026.03 Budget Report 2026.03 Check Register	Chair: Mr. Bertocki Member: Ms. Smith
Parks/ Recreation	<i>The Rec. Board held the senior bingo on March 26 would like to thank all the attendees for a great day.</i> <i>April 4th was the Egg Hunt, and the rec board would like to thank those who helped.</i> <i>2nd annual business crawl May 7</i> <i>250th anniversary of the United States Parade on July 4, 2026.</i>	Chair: Ms. Smith Member: Mr. Bertocki



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Property/Health / Zoning	<i>Attended a solicitors panel on ALOM and wanted to thank Mr. Bruni for taking care of some properties in West Tarentum.</i>	Chair: Mrs. Fox Member: Mr. Kerr
Public Safety	Fire Department Reports: ▪ Eureka (Fire & EMS): ▪ Highlands: ▪ Summit:	Chair: Ms. Clark Member: Mrs. Homa
Public Works	2026.03	Chair: Ms. Homa Member: Ms. Smith
Redevelopment/ Revitalization	N/A	Chair: Ms. Clark Member: Mr. Bertock
Utilities	Water – 2026.03 Electric – 2026.03	Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Mrs. Fox

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

Resident Cindy Homberg had a question about signs at the “old bank.” Mr. Bruni gave a response about signage and permits and how that works. He also discussed the Borough’s authority and limitations.

Resident Jim Bonner mentioned that Saturday will be litter pickup.

Resident Cindy Sanders asked a question about an abandoned car. Mayor Lang noted he will have the police look into it.

Resident Zachary Brucker has some concerns about the police and interactions he has had with them recently.

ADJOURN: 7:15 PM.
SC/MS;6-0



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