



BOROUGH OF TARENTUM
COUNCIL MEETING IN BOROUGH COUNCIL
CHAMBERS

Tuesday, May 12, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting Minutes



ORDER: 6:00_____ p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG:

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

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. N/A

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. 5-12-2026 for personnel matters

MINUTES: 04-14-2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
RK/CF; 7-0

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. [Memo on Fellowship from Shane Brown](#)

COMMITTEE and DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mayor Report	339 calls, 29 arrests, 34 citations, 2 warrants issued.
President Report	<i>"Shoutout to the public works crew."</i>
Solicitor Report	<i>Discussion on creating an order to repair ordinance.</i>
Police Chief Report	N/A
Code Officer Report	2026.04 Report



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Engineer Report	2026.04- 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: ▪ BS&A ERP update ▪ Water system updates ▪ Governor's Award Reports and Updates: 2026.04 – League Link: April 2026 2026.04 - PELRAS Update 2026.04 - Allegheny County Council 2026.04 - PMEA: e-Newsletter 2026.Q1- Waste Management Sheriff Sale Listings (2025): 2026.04 Bid List 2026.04 Sale Results
Business	Postponed Business: ▪ N/A New Business: ▪ Motion to pay the Borough bills for the month of April 2026. RK/CF; 7-0 ▪ Motion to move \$250,000 from disbursement to Capital Fund *Note: Moving planned electric capacity safety funds to the Capital Fund to maximize interest, as outlined in the Borough investment policy. SC/MS;7-0 ▪ Motion to hire Kameron Angenttii as a probationary Water Plant Operator, effective 5-18-2026. RK/LH; 7-0 ▪ Motion to purchase two sump pump replacements for the water plant from TEC for \$10,900 from the Capital Fund. *Note: temporary pumps are running now. Price includes equipment and installation CF/MS; 7-0



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	▪ Discussion on PW Vehicle motor replacement for water truck. ▪ Discussion on creating a repair order ordinance that would include notice, inspection, and a hearing process. ▪ Discussion on benches at the Friendship Garden ▪ Motion to adopt Resolution #26-05: County Hazard Mitigation Plan MS/SC; 7-0 ▪ Motion to adopt Resolution #26-06: Sale of Public Works Vehicle A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A 1999 PUBLIC WORKS DUMP TRUCK TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER SC/KB; 7-0 ▪ Motion to adopt Resolution #26-07: VPRP RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING THE ACQUISITION AND SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION OF NUMEROUS PARCELS OF VACANT PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK AND LOT NUMBER 1224-A-152, WOULD BE IN ACCORD WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF TARENTUM BOROUGH. RK/CF; 7-0	
AVNCOG	<i>New ADA ramps are going up</i>	Chair: Mr. Bertocki Alternate: Mrs. Fox
Business Advisory Committee		Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Mr. Bertocki
Finance & Admin.	2026.04 Budget Report 2026.04 Check Register	Chair: Mr. Bertocki Member: Ms. Smith
Parks/ Recreation		Chair: Ms. Smith Member: Mr. Bertocki
Property/Health / Zoning		Chair: Mrs. Fox Member: Mr. Kerr



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Public Safety	Fire Department Reports: ▪ Eureka (Fire & EMS): 2026.04 ▪ Highlands: ▪ Summit:	Chair: Ms. Clark Member: Mrs. Homa
Public Works	2026.04	Chair: Ms. Homa Member: Ms. Smith
Redevelopment/ Revitalization		Chair: Ms. Clark Member: Mr. Bertocki
Utilities	Water – 2026.04 Electric – 2026.04	Chair: Mr. Kerr Member: Mrs. Fox
Junior Council Report		

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

Resident Jim Bonner discussed the new chimney swift towers and reported on new birds in the area and that we are in peak migration time.

Resident Zackary Brucker discussed his interaction with the police department and Mayor during and after an incident he was involved in.

Resident Crystal Kilgore thanked Council for approving the VRRP application.

ADJOURN:



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NOTES:

I completely understand why residents are concerned, and those concerns are valid. I also want residents to understand that if the water were deemed immediately unsafe to drink, the Pennsylvania DEP has the authority to require immediate action, issue emergency orders, or even shut down systems. That is not where we are.

TTHMs are a long-term exposure issue, not an immediate contamination event. That does not mean we ignore it. In fact, the Borough is actively addressing the issue long before it would ever reach that point.

The reality is that Tarentum's water system is around 100 years old. Many of the issues are tied to aging infrastructure, water age in old lines, and older treatment processes. We have already started multiple projects to address this, many of which began more than a year ago, but projects of this size take time because of engineering design, DEP permitting, funding approvals, bidding requirements, and construction timelines.

The Borough has aggressively pursued outside funding and has secured about \$4 million so far, but fully modernizing the system, including replacing roughly 13 miles of aging water lines and upgrading the plant and pump house, is likely a \$20-30 million effort over time. That said, work is actively happening right now. We are flushing lines, installing mixers and automatic flushers, improving treatment processes, and continuing infrastructure upgrades. We understand the concern, and we are committed to improving the system the right way for the long term.