# BOROUGH OF TARENTUM

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**Monthly Report**
October 2026

## Water Plant:

Water processed: 35.65 MG
Average Chlorine Residual Levels: ___ mg/l
Average Tank Levels: 44.2 ft.

## Key items & work performed:

- **Preventive maintenance completed:**
  - Exterior safety cage ladder installed on the chlorine room exterior wall (behind the generator) for safe roof access
  - Plant vehicle maintenance performed — oil change, tire rotation, fluid levels topped off; good for another year
  - Operators continuing outside maintenance (grass, trimming) to keep the building exterior organized and presentable, weather permitting
  - Kam continuing work on the porch steps, weather permitting
- **Repairs performed or pending:**
  - Effluent control valve ordered for replacement between Filter #3 and Basin #3; spare valve also ordered
  - Basin #2 cleaning scheduled for the week of 11/3, now that hydrant flushing is complete
- **Vendor visits or contractor work:**
  - Hough Controls on site 11/4 to install control modules on the #1 and #2 backwash pump drives
  - Total Equipment on site the week of 11/3 to perform maintenance on the air scour backwash system — first maintenance since installation in 2013
  - Ferguson Heating scheduled 11/24 to PM the heaters and replace one thermostat
- **Lab results received:**
  - N/A
- **DEP or regulatory communications:**
  - Certification applications and credentials for all successful exam candidates submitted to DEP for approval; Council will be updated as certifications are issued
- **Safety issues or incidents:**
  - None reported

## Distribution:

Emergency Water Breaks: 5
Water System Repairs: 5
Average Chlorine Residual Levels: ___ mg/l

## Key items & work performed:

- **Preventive maintenance completed:**
  - Hydrant flushing, 10/12–10/22
  - Replaced 1½" meter at the Clement on W 9th (10/23) that was not reading properly, using a meter pulled during the smart meter changeout; now reading correctly
  - PA One Call (PA-1) locate requests
- **Repairs performed or pending:**
  - Water main break — East St. (10/7): hole in 12" pipe; repaired with 12" band
  - Water main break — Davidson St. (10/7): crack in 8" pipe; 5' of 8" pipe, 2 ea. 8" couplings; Gillette called in to make the repair while the crew was on the East St. break
  - Water main break — Corbet St. (10/7): crack in 4" pipe; 27" of 4" pipe, 2 ea. 4" couplings; repaired 10/8
  - Water main break — 9th Ave. between Lock St. and Ross (10/10): crack and hole in 6" pipe; 5' of 6" pipe, 2 ea. 6" couplings; out 6.5 hours
  - Water main break — Butler St. (10/16): crack in 4" pipe; 48" of 4" pipe, 2 ea. 4" couplings
  - 211 W 8th (10/7): blue tag; broken wire at meter repaired, new reading obtained
  - Saw cut curb boxes at 309 W 8th and 211 W 9th (10/26); installed 2 new curb boxes (10/27); water off at 211 W 9th
  - Concrete work at curb boxes — 211 W 9th, 309 W 8th, 411 E 7th, 612 Roup, and W 4th hydrant (10/28)
- **Vendor visits or contractor work:**
  - Tripak water line replacement — crew out for valve shut-offs/turn-ons: 4.5 hrs (10/1), 6 hrs (10/5), 9 hrs (10/7; plant had to run to keep the east side of town in water due to the W 7th Ave. connection), 3 hrs (10/8); water turned back on for the new main 10/9
- **DEP or regulatory communications:**
  - N/A
- **Safety issues or incidents:**

    - Sam attending a Facility Security training class 11/17 in Blairsville
- **Status updates on ongoing projects:**
    - Plant operations continue to move forward in a positive direction
- **Budget or procurement needs:**
    - Del-Pac delivery scheduled 10/26
    - Caustic delivery scheduled 11/3
    - HACH reagent delivery scheduled the week of 11/3
- **Engineering/vendor coordination:**
    - N/A
- **Plant concerns or risks:**
    - N/A
- **Items needing Borough attention:**
    - N/A
- **Other:**
    - Sam passed 3 of his 5 required certification exams (general exam and 2 subclass exams)
    - Bob passed his Distribution certification exam
    - Tom passed the Subclass 12 exam and is working toward his Master license to better serve as Plant Manager
    - Called out 6:15 am (10/22) to shut water off at Dynamite Daycare; fire suppression valve leaking
    - Shut water off for the railroad at Treadway (10/21); pulled meter out of pit
- **Status updates on ongoing projects:**
    - Tripak water line replacement nearing completion
- **Budget or procurement needs:**
    - N/A
- **Engineering/vendor coordination:**
    - N/A
- **Distribution concerns or risks:**
    - Five main breaks during the period (East St., Davidson St., Corbet St., 9th Ave., Butler St.)
    - 305 W 9th: water cannot be turned on until the owner repairs the service line
- **Items needing Borough attention:**
    - N/A
- **Hydrant work or flushing:**
    - Hydrant flushing, 10/12–10/22
- **Other:**
    - (6) Sewage shut-offs — 4 on 10/6; 2 on 10/20, both back on
    - Water turn-ons — 535 E 8th (10/2); 234 W 8th (10/5); 105 E 1st Ave. (10/6); 9 E 10th (10/7); 608 E 7th and 623 3rd Ave. (10/9); 115 W 8th Ave. (10/15); 316 8th Apts. 7 and 9 (10/30); 408 W 10th — on at curb, valve closed inside house (10/30)
    - Water shut-offs — 529 E 9th Ave. (10/2): water coming out of wall, blue tagged; 340 W 10th, 531 E 8th, and 211 W 9th (10/23), curb box at 211 W 9th had to be dug to shut off; 1123 Park St. off for the winter (10/30)
    - 220 W 10th (10/24): not turned on — one service line, two meters, new owner