



CARNEGIE BOROUGH PUBLIC MEETING

Monday, March 9, 2014

Workshop Meeting @ 6:00 PM | Voting Meeting @ 7:00 PM

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Councilperson Boyd – Present, Councilperson D’Loss – Absent, Councilperson Demko – Present, Councilperson Luvara – Present, Councilperson Sarsfield – Present, Council President Catena – Present, Mayor Kobistek – Present.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LISTED MOTIONS

No Public comment.

Administration (Councilman Sarsfield)

MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting held on February 9, 2015. Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to accept the settlement offer of Safe Auto Insurance and Marina Stern in the amount of \$10,000.00 in settlement of a claim for a damaged light pole at the intersection of E. Main Street and Chestnut Street caused by Marina Stern on November 5, 2014 and to authorize the Borough Council President to execute a Property Damage Release with Safe Auto Insurance reflecting the acceptance of Safe Auto Insurance settlement offer.

Motion by Councilperson Sarsfield to Table this motion for further discussion. Seconded by Councilperson Luvara. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to offer a Conditional Offer of Employment to Todd Scott for the position of Part-Time Meter Enforcement Officer effective March 9, 2015 in accordance with the current labor agreement. Current wage in accordance with the CBA is \$10.79 per hour.

Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Finance (Councilman D'Loss)

MOTION to approve the March Bill List and Bill List Addendum, as amended.

Councilman D'Loss: The amendment to the Addendum was for a late bill for gasoline for our Borough vehicles in the amount of \$5,362.21.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to approve the purchase / lease of a 2016 Ford Police Interceptor through the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance from Woltz & Wind Ford at a price of \$31,445.00, including a five year / 100K premium care warranty.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Works (Councilwoman Demko)

MOTION to permit the Carnegie Sunday Softball Association to utilize the Seventh Avenue Field every Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. from April 1, 2015 to September 1, 2015.

Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to direct KLH Engineers to prepare bid specifications necessary to advertise the "2015 Pavement Maintenance Program" for the Borough of Carnegie.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to approve payment application No. 3 (final) to Sewer Specialty Services in the amount of \$26,409.25 for the SHACOG Year 4 Joint Municipal O&M / CTV Inspection and Cleaning.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to award Contract No. 2015-01 (Hardscape) to R&B Contracting and Excavation, Inc., in the amount of \$532,493.75 for the work to be executed through PENNVEST for Lot No. 10 and Citizens Parking Lot improvements.

Seconded by Councilperson Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to award Contract No. 2015-01 (Greenscape) to Stormworks in the amount of \$3,375.00 for the work to be executed through PENNVEST for Lot No. 10 and Citizens Parking Lot improvements.

Seconded by Councilperson Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Safety (Councilman Boyd)

No Motion at this time.

Community Development and Code Enforcement (Councilman Luvara)

MOTION to adopt Ordinance No. 2411, an ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Chapter 5, Part 2 of the Borough Code of Ordinances to provide for the adoption of the International Property Maintenance Code, amending Chapter 5, Part 4 of the Borough Code of Ordinances for Occupancy Permits, amending Chapter 10, Part 2 of the Borough Code of Ordinances for open wells and excavations and amending Chapter 21, Part 5 of the Borough Code of Ordinances for obstructions on sidewalks.

Seconded by Councilperson Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to adopt Ordinance No. 2412, an ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the issuance of and awarding not in excess of \$1,108,055.00, principal amount, guaranteed revenue note, at a private sale.

Seconded by Councilperson Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to ratify the decision of the Planning Commission recommending to Council the development of 335 East Main Street (Mac Total Properties / Bak'n Restaurant).

Seconded by Councilperson Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to ratify the decision of the Planning Commission recommending to Council the lot development of Riley's Pour House located at 217 East Main Street (103-M-182) contingent upon third party review approval.

Seconded by Councilperson Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration (Councilman Sarsfield)

Nothing to report this month.

Finance (Councilman D'Loss)

Police Chief has proposed to move the purchase of the 2016 police car to 2015, because we have an opportunity to get a special purchase deal.

Making provisions for the President's office to have oversight of the budget numbers.

Community Development and Code Enforcement (Councilman Luvara)

Reviewing various sections of the Code of Ordinances relating to matters of Occupancy Permits, open wells, excavations and obstruction of sidewalks in order to bring the Borough Ordinances up to 2015 standards and in doing so the hope is to make the Code Enforcement Officer's position more consistent with continuity and clarity so as to reduce a great deal of ambiguity with regard to what people are expected to do.

Also, discussions with the community and community leaders with regard to events in the Borough, such as the Crawl and the Blue's Festival; specifically, the needs of the business community and also the wishes of the community.

Public Works (Councilwoman Demko)

Nothing to report. Just wanted to commend our public works department for their great work on our Borough roads during this past winter.

Public Safety (Councilman Boyd)

Multi-Community Train Safety Hazardous Waste Meeting on March 25, 2015 at the Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department.

President's Report (President Catena)

Website update: We have to look at some way to come up with money to get our website updated for better communication with the public.

Officially talking to Scott Township regarding the Washington Avenue Corridor Revitalization Project: greenery, lighting, curbs – pursue federal money. The revitalization of Washington Avenue would be a truly inviting gateway to the Tri-Communities.

Property Sales Tax, comparing assessments to ensure adequate assessed market value. Ten properties sent to the School District, 6 of 10 to appeal to the School District.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager and Members of Council will be attending the Utility Summit on Thursday, March 12, 2015, sponsored by CONNECT.

As of March 1, 2015 park rentals have commenced.

CARNEGIE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT & EMS REPORT

158 EMS calls, 512 Fire Calls, and for the second month there were no false alarms. One fire, a dumpster in Pennsbury Village.

JUNIOR COUNCIL REPORT / REMARKS

Sara Mannes, Canon-McMillan. Congratulate Dan Doyle on getting first chair at regional choir – this has not been accomplished in over 10-years at Canon-McMillan High School.

March 10 – Girls' Basketball playoff game. 6:00 p.m. at Canon-McMillan High School.

March 21 – Mr. Carlynton Contest. 7:00 p.m. in High School Auditorium.

March 24 – Carlynton Education Foundation organizational meeting. This is a new program. 7:00 p.m. in High School Library.

April 16 – 19 – Spring Musical, High School Musical. Tickets on sale to the public, Monday, March 9, 2015.

MAYOR'S REPORT

For the Month of February 2015 – Criminal Arrests and Citations: 18; Traffic Citations: 60; Parking Tickets: 115; Complaints and Self-Initiating Activities: 872.

The Mayor addressed many of the inter-community scams facing our residents; PNC Bank scam, IRS scam.

Received a donation for two new spike strips – utilized in high-speed car chases.

We have added an additional shift for the traffic issues affecting our community due to the Parkway West Construction; specifically, through our residential community.

Addressed the debilitating effect of the full closure of the Parkway West ramps on the Borough. PennDOT is looking at making some adjustments to the detour route. We had five officers stationed; however, Noblestown/Mansfield did not have an officer stationed during the day which caused some traffic difficulties – the Mayor was able to get PennDOT to put a flagger there.

Lanes created on the parkway are extremely narrow. Very concerned about an accident. The Mayor and the Chief meeting with PennDOT to address this problem – creating more of a safety environment.

Well on our way to having the Honus Wagner portrait for the American Legion building completed. Just finalized the concept. Hope to have something up by summer.

Monitor Compbell's Run Creek during rainy season. DPW clean out the creek of debris that could cause a backup. Please pay close attention to Morrow and Run.

Remind everyone that the 5K Registration is open, early registration is open until April 3, 2015 at \$15.00. After that time, registration is \$20.00.

We have a lot going on in Carnegie. We have a great business district, entertainment and restaurant business regardless of the traffic issue.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Maggie Forbes, Carnegie Library. Civil War Symposium was a great success.

Received a very generous state grant to restore the interior of the library. Will be working with the Borough on this restoration project; plaster work, lighting, flooring, etc. Should be about a nine month project. Project should begin in May 2015.

Amada Kolle – 820 Capital Drive. Why did Crafton respond to a call at Carnegie Towers instead of Carnegie? Councilman Boyd responded that Crafton is the backup for Carnegie if we do not have a full crew. As well, Carnegie is also a backup for Crafton.

COUNCIL GOOD AND WELFARE

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- a) **Administration (Councilperson Sarsfield) – Added to the Mayor’s comments regarding the calls that were received regarding the full closure of the Parkway and the substantial traffic that resulted. Made note and wished everyone a happy St. Patrick’s Day.**
- b) **Finance (Councilperson D’Loss) – Added to the discussion of receiving complaints stemming from the Parkway closure, but noted that while driving through town that traffic was moving accordingly. There were particular areas that did have some congestion, but overall thought the traffic moved as needed.**
 - a. **The Mayor commented that after reviewing the traffic situation that occurred, that it is important to note that the traffic lights still have to go through a normal cycle, which naturally causes a situation. Things were moved forward as quick as possible during the complete closure. Having cars coming from multiple detoured directions adds to the back-up in one central location, which will be looked at for future closures.**
- c) **Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson Luvara) – N/A**
- d) **Public Works (Councilperson Demko) – N/A**
- e) **Public Safety (Councilperson Boyd) – N/A**
- f) **President’s Report (President Catena) – In addition to the comments of the Mayor and Councilman D’Loss, with all of the traffic taking place it is important to remember all of the amenities that Carnegie has to offer to the public. Restaurants, bars, shopping, entertainment. “SEE” Carnegie. Shop. Eat. Entertain. Go SEE Carnegie is still open for business.**

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 7:59 pm made by Councilperson Sarsfield, seconded by Councilperson D’Loss with all in favor.