



**CARNEGIE BOROUGH
PUBLIC MEETING**

Monday, July 14, 2014

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

Conditional Use Public Hearing @ 6:30 PM (Continued from 6/9/14)

Call Meeting to Order

Moment of Silence / Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Council

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

Public Comment on Listed Motions

No public comments on agenda items.

Administration (Councilperson Sarsfield)

MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting held on June 9, 2014.

Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss. Roll Call Vote Councilperson Boyd – Yes, Councilperson Demko – Yes, Councilperson D’Loss – Yes, Councilperson Luvara – Abstain, Councilperson Sarsfield – Yes, Council President Catena – Yes. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to appoint Steve Beuter as an alternate delegate to the Southwest Allegheny County Tax Collection District.

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to appoint Bridget Van Dorn to the Shade Tree Commission with a term to expire on June 30, 2016 (Resident Appointment).

Motion by Councilperson D’Loss to table this and the next 4 motions.

Seconded by Councilperson Boyd. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to appoint John Ferri to the Shade Tree Commission with a term to expire on June 30, 2017 (Business Appointment).

Motion to appoint Bob Podurgiel to the Shade Tree Commission with a term to expire on June 30, 2017 (Resident Appointment).

Motion to appoint Bill Moldovan to the Shade Tree Commission with a term to expire on June 30, 2018 (Resident Appointment).

Motion to appoint Marlene Pendleton to the Shade Tree Commission with a term to expire on June 30, 2018 (Resident Appointment).

Finance (Councilperson D'Loss)

MOTION to approve the July Bill List and Bill List Addendum.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Roll Call Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Works (Councilperson Demko, read and presented by Councilperson Boyd)

MOTION to approve Payment Estimate No. 1 to Youngblood Paving Inc., in the amount of \$174,770.71 for work completed between June 1, 2014 and June 30, 2014, for the 2014 Pavement Maintenance Program, Contract No. 2014-2.

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Roll Call Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to approve Payment Estimate No. 3 to Mongiovi and Son Excavating in the amount of \$9,900.00 for work completed between June 1, 2014 and June 30, 2014, for the 2014 Sewer Contract No. 2014-1C (Specialty Repairs).

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Roll Call Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to approve Payment to Ianetti's Garden Center Inc., in the amount of \$8,025.37 for work completed between May 1, 2014 and June 30, 2014, for the Carnegie Park Rain Garden Project.

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Roll Call Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to approve Payment Estimate No. 5 (Final Payment) to Soli Construction in the amount of \$19,186.21 for all sewer repair work under Contract No. 2013-3A

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Roll Call Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to award the SHACOG Preventative Maintenance – Year 4 contract to Insight Pipe Company in the amount of \$188,246.00. (Carnegie's portion: \$31,346.25)

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Roll Call Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to adopt Borough Ordinance No. 2399, an ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Chapter 21 of Borough Code of Ordinances regarding Street and Sidewalk Openings in the Borough.

Motion by Councilperson Boyd to table this motion.

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to enter into a one (1) year extension for Borough waste collection with Allied Waste / Republic Services, Inc.

Motion by Councilperson Boyd to table this motion.

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Safety (Councilperson Boyd)

MOTION to adopt Borough Ordinance No. 2397, an ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of PA, amending chapter 6 of the Borough Code of ordinances and establishing a fee for false alarms caused by fire alarm devices within the Borough.

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to advertise Borough Ordinance No. 2401, an ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of PA, amending chapter 15, section 205 of the Borough Code of Ordinances relating to motor vehicles and traffic.

Seconded by Councilperson Demko. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Community Development and Code Enforcement (Councilperson Luvara)

MOTION to ratify the decision of the Planning Commission recommending to Council the lot consolidation submitted by Second Baptist Church of Lot and Block 103-H-268, 270, 272 and 274.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to ratify the decision of the Planning Commission recommending to Council the proposal of Excel USA Trading & Services Co. to operate a personal service business at 39 West Main Street (103-4-140)

Motion by Councilperson Luvara to table.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to adopt Borough Ordinance No. 2400, an ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie granting the conditional use application of Excel USA Trading & Service Co. to utilize the property located at 39 West Main Street (103-R-140) to operate a personal service business.

Motion by Councilperson Luvara to table.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. 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 Borough Engineer and 3rd party review approval.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee Reports

Administration (Councilperson Sarsfield) – nothing to report.

Finance (Councilperson D'Loss) – labor negotiations are proceeding with the Police and will be starting with the other labor unions.

Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson Luvara) – nothing to report.

Public Works (Councilperson Demko) – nothing to report.

Public Safety (Councilperson Boyd) – engine #1 and the ladder truck for the Fire Department both need replaced. There are problem with the pump on engine #1 and the repair could cost as little as \$2,000 or as much as \$10,000. There is a company that finance fire truck replacement as well as provide lower rate mortgages on property.

President's Report (President Catena) – on June 28 there was flash flooding that more than exceeded the National Weather Service guideline for flash flooding with 1.96" of water falling in 1 hour 20 minutes. On Swallow Hill, several residents reports 4" of water falling during this time frame. East Main, Washington, California, Franklin and the area above the park are some of the areas affected and damage went from a few feet of water in basements with ruined water heaters to 1st floor apartment dwellers losing everything. The sewer system was overwhelmed and the Borough is working on finding the cause of all this along with a solution. This work will take time. Any residents who got dumpsters to use in cleanup can turn in the receipts to the Borough for reimbursements.

Manager's Report

No report this month.

Carnegie Volunteer Fire Dept. & EMS Report

Phil Boyd reported that during the month of June, there were 40 fire calls and 165 EMS calls. 40 fire calls is outside the norm but 14 were the night of the flood and 19 homes were visited.

Junior Council Report / Remarks

No Junior Council over the summer months.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kobistek reported that for the month of June there were 25 criminal arrests and citations, 61 traffic citations, 132 parking tickets issued and 1,062 self-initiating activities and complaints. The Police have done more Impact Details with one being on Forsythe Road for traffic violations. A new system of tracking those with solicitation permits will be put in place so that Police Officers can find whether or not someone has a permit by referring to their computer. Residents who feel there are strangers roaming around their neighborhood can call 911 to verify if they are legitimate. Through donations, some portable speed signs are being acquired and will be put in place on Forsythe, Washington and Campbells Run to monitor speeders. On June 28, thanks goes to the Fire Department, residents and neighbors who helped each other out with the results of the flash flooding. Fort Pitt tunnel closures will be occurring in the fall. An upcoming meeting is scheduled to address the Campbells Run watershed problem with Senator Fontana. The Salvation Army is collecting school supplies for children who will need them in going back to school.

General Public Comment

Comments were made regarding the flash flood on June 28 by many speakers.

Sean Mulligan – 408 Franklin – basement flooding with 38” water, sinkhole, manhole covers blown off.

Denise Hanchulak – 418 Franklin – water runs through the houses on Franklin and has been since the Alcosan project and would like to see competent engineers address this problem and take care of it properly. Give them deadlines to be adhered to. Railroad debris of coke and gravel is also ending up in yards.

Lee Gozik – contractor for 418 Franklin – videoed the flooding and will provide a copy to the Borough.

Ken Kisac – 835 Washington – water coming in through the foundation into the basement.

Robert Michtak – 424 Franklin – never had a problem until the past few years since the new sewer line was put in and now water comes in through the foundation of the house and floods the basement, running everything in the basement. The water has almost knocked down the retaining wall.

John Butera – 422 Franklin – retaining wall needs replaced, sidewalk is pulled away, water is coming from Wabash, the skate park and the railroad. Take a look at the properties and see what the residents are talking about as these properties have no value now.

Lee Cabalik – 414 Franklin – you are welcome to purchase my home for fair market value as she has been waiting for three (3) years for settlement information and has not replaced items in basement for fear of future damage.

Cindy Pierce – 416 Franklin – wants informed on what is going on with the engineers and when there will be meetings so the residents can attend.

Sandy & Michael Zilinski – 420 Franklin – has lived at this address her entire life without problems but now has had to pay \$15,000 for waterproofing but still has mold in her basement. The patio has sunk and she has had health issues. Rocks, stones, glass and gravel are throughout the yards making it hard to cut the grass. The houses are sinking.

Dallas Milliner – 329 California – sewage came up through drains in basements ruining almost everything in the basement. Their insurance does not cover items damaged by sewage. Concerns about Carnegie Elementary and if there was damage from the storm.

Cheryl Stephan – 318 California – was fortunate to have neighbors and her sons friends who helped clean up all that was destroyed in the basement of her home, which was extensive. If action was taken 2 to 3 years ago, this situation would not exist.

Kim Geary – 312 California – sewage came up in the basement.

KLH Engineering stepped to the podium and answered questions and concerns from residents as best as possible.

Council Good and Welfare

Councilperson Sarsfield – wishes he had more good to report but there is concern over the welfare of the residents by Council, the engineers, the police and staff of the Borough.

Councilperson Demko – nothing to report.

Councilperson Luvara – nothing at this time.

Councilperson Boyd - nothing this evening.

Councilperson D'Loss – also had about a foot of water in his basement which came up through the sewer. Also looking to the future hoping there will be a solution as water should not be coming up through the sanitary sewers.

Council President Catena – Campbells Run stayed within it's banks during the flash flood. Complaints from residents on Washington due to closure of Third Street bridge.

Council retired to the Caucus Room for Executive Session.