

# **CARNEGIE BOROUGH PUBLIC MEETING**

Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Workshop Meeting Start @ 6:00 PM / Voting Meting Start @ 7:00 PM

Call Meeting to Order / Moment of Silence / Pledge of Allegiance

## **ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL**

Councilperson Boyd – Present, Councilperson DiPietro – Present, Councilperson Freshwater – Present, Councilperson Popichak – Present, Councilperson D'Loss – Present, Council President Demko - Present, Mayor Riley - Present

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON LISTED MOTIONS

**ADMINISTRATION (Councilperson Freshwater)** 

MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting on Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to authorize the Carnegie Borough Council President (Susan Demko) to execute a license agreement between the Borough of Carnegie and Genesee and Wyoming Railroad Services, Inc., for the Broadway Avenue Sewer Separation Project.

A. Initial agreement fee will not exceed \$5,500.00.

**B.** Annual fee required in the amount of \$980.00.

Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Roll Call Vote: Councilperson Boyd against, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2020-03, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie authorizing Council President Susan Demko and Borough Manager Stephen Beuter as signers for the 2020 Keystone Commonwealth Libraries grant being submitted by the Andrew Carnegie Free Library and Music Hall.

Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

A resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, authorizing the sale of vacant parcel located at 333 Wilcox Street in the Borough of Carnegie. Resolution no 2020-04. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to authorize the borough manager's contract retroactive to February 1, 2020. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

## **FINANCE** (Councilperson Boyd)

MOTION to approve the March 2020 Bill List and Bill List Addendum. Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to approve the purchase / lease of a 2020 Ford F-550 XL 4x4 (DRW Chassis) from Woltz & Wind Ford at a price of \$40,660.00, including a five (5) year / 60K mile powertrain warranty. (Acquired through the COSTARS Purchasing Program).

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to approve the purchase / lease of a 2020 Durango Special Service AWD from Tri-Star Motors at a price of \$31,995.00. (Acquired through the COSTARS Purchasing Program)

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

Explanation of change of financing for the vehicles was explained by Steve Beuter, Borough Manager.

PUBLIC WORKS (Councilperson D'Loss)

MOTION to accept the bid submitted by W.A. Petrakis Contracting Co. for the 2020 Carnegie Borough Broadway Street Sewer Separation Project in the amount of \$593,769.00 (Contract No. 2020-01) Seconded by Councilperson Boyd – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Council President Denko to break for a five minute Executive Session. Motion unanimously seconded and passed. Council retired for Executive Session.

**PUBLIC SAFETY (Councilperson Popichak) – nothing for this evening.** 

**CODE ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (Councilperson DiPietro)** – nothing for this evening.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administration – nothing for this evening.

Finance – Steve saved the borough a lot of money with the change in financing for the vehicles. Steve informed that the 2020 Business Privilege Tax invoices had been mailed on January 24, 2020 with a due date of March 1, 2020. Collections to date are \$98,750. We will be in the process of sending out reminders and in one month will start with the late notifications.

Councilperson D'Loss questioned about the lease/purchase of the two new vehicles. Explanations followed by Keith Hatcher and Chief Kennedy.

Code Enforcement and Community Development - to the borough residents, you will be receiving a letter within the next few weeks about an early spring clean- up. Explanation by borough manager, we send this letter to initiate a discussion on the clean-up and maintenance of properties. This is sent instead of an official notice. The Shade Tree Commission has received a grant from Trout Unlimited. They are testing the streams for contamination through the mines. They have started in Carnegie and are working their way up through Robinson Township. This is at no cost to the borough. They also need two new members to serve on their board. If you are interested, please contact the borough at 412-276-1414. Sometime in April they will have five trees that need planted. We will need 20 volunteers to help with the planting.

**Public Works – nothing for this evening.** 

Public Safety – with regard to the Coronavirus, if you have any suspicion at all that you may have this virus or may have been in contact with someone who does, DON'T got to the emergency room! Call the ER first if it is off hours for your PCP. The goal is to not contaminate any emergency room with this virus. Contact your PCP and/or call the emergency room first. Don't just show up.

President's Report – don't forget to support Carlynton's spring play this month. The play is "Cinderella". Please check their website for dates, times and tickets.

MANAGER'S REPORT – the administrative staff has been working with Chief Kennedy on a grant to acquire body cameras. Carnegie received \$2,500 to purchase supplies to become a Census Hub. Residents can come into the borough building and have the supplies necessary to complete their census filing. The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Dogapalooza is scheduled for Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. We have scheduled he borough clean-up day for Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. More information will be forthcoming. Jeannie Williams from the JCSF is typically here to update us on the services they have been providing for individuals looking for jobs. Administration and I met with Jeannie and Tamara to discuss how to continue supporting them. We met with an office supply company, Caltronics. They are a local business and we have been ordering supplies from them. We discussed getting equipment that we need for our office.

CARNEGIE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. & EMS REPORT – for the month of February there were 22 fire calls and no ambulance calls.

MAYOR'S REPORT - Police Dept. activity for February 2020; Criminal Arrests and Citations - 16; Traffic Citations – 53; Traffic Stops - 154; Parking Tickets - 118; Complaints and Self-Initiated Activity – 1,093.

One of the best places to celebrate St. Patrick's Day is Riley's Pour House. Pittsburgh Magazine readers voted Riley's as the best Irish Pub in Pittsburgh. You can visit their website <u>http://www.rileyspourhouse.com</u> to see all the events happening. I do want to note that on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> East Main Street will be closed between Broadway and Walnut from 6 a.m. to midnight.

On Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> we'll have the St. Patrick's Day Kick-Off Crawl. That's the Carnegie Crawl from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

On March 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. and on the 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m., the Carlynton Spring Musical, "Cinderella" will be performed. Tickets may be purchased online or at the door.

On Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> is the clean-up day. Later that evening, AnTina's Salon will be celebrating years in business. They have just remodeled and are doing a "Grand Opening" from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. We will be doing a ribbon cutting for them at 4:30 p.m.

Coming up in April is the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Quantum Spirits – Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department 5K Run/Walk. Registrations and sponsorships are now being accepted.

The Carnegie Police Department annual car cruise has been scheduled for Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. We do have a rain date of August 23<sup>rd</sup> scheduled.

## GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Maggie Forbes – Carnegie Library – shout out to Borough Manager for all that he does and being so easy to work with. It is difficult to social distance in Carnegie. We are a close community. We need to get more information out about this virus with safe guidelines. It's a privilege to be a part of Carnegie.

### **COUNCIL GOOD AND WELFARE**

Councilperson D'Loss – Primary election day is Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. On that day, the VFW is hosting a musical program for 20 veterans who typically are unable to leave their homes. I encourage our representatives to stop over and say hello, it would be a nice gesture. There are changes coming for election. One of which is paper ballots. Anybody who wants an absentee ballot starting this year, you can get one. In the past you needed to justify it, the law changed and you don't need a reason to request them and will stay on the list for future elections.

Councilperson Freshwater – when our trash company comes around to pick up our trash, after they are gone you will see trash cans laying out in the streets. These cause a hazard. Requested that Steve contact Republic to see if cans can be placed back instead of thrown to roll around in the streets.

Councilperson DiPietro – shout out to the boys and girls Cougar team and coaches. Good Luck Teams!

Councilperson Popichak – the last day to register to vote is April 13<sup>th</sup>. Help support the CVFD with their 5K on April 25<sup>th</sup> as well as the Cash Bash on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Councilperson Boyd – right here in Carnegie is an air quality sensor station. It feeds over the internet into a giant database to give the air quality index.

Council President Demko – wished everyone a safe and happy St. Patrick's Day!

MOTION TO ADJOURN The Borough of Carnegie Code of Ordinances is available "on-line" at <u>www.carnegieborough.com</u>