



**CARNEGIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 11TH, 2011**

**WORKSHOP MEETING – 6:00 PM
VOTING AGENDA MEETING – 7:00 PM**

President Catena opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Council

PRESENT:

Councilperson Catena, Councilperson Covi, Councilperson Demko
Councilperson D’Loss, Mayor Kobistek, Councilperson Sarsfield
Councilperson Veres

PRESENTATIONS:

Councilperson Demko presented Dave Dedola and Montana Trombetta each with a Letter of Recognition for their outstanding accomplishments as wrestlers for the Carlynton School District.

Mr. G. Bannor, Key Environmental, presented information regarding the proposed building of an office building to be located at 803 West Main Street.

Public Comment on Listed MOTIONS

No Public comment

Administration and Finance (Councilman Veres)

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to approve the Minutes from the meeting on March 14th, 2011. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote:
UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to approve the April Bill List and Addendum. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to adopt Ordinance No. 2351, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie relative to the establishment and maintenance of the Police Employee's Pension Annuity, Insurance and Benefit Fund or Funds, to amend certain provisions of the Pension Plan or program applicable to the Police of said Borough to comply with Act 600 of 1956 requirements regarding intervening Military Service. Second by Councilperson Demko. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to permit the Borough Manager to execute an Agreement between Tri-Eagle Energy, LP and the Borough of Carnegie to purchase Electric Generation Service for the Borough Building and Borough owned property/facilities. Second by Councilperson Covi. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to authorize Energy Savers Incorporated to utilize Borough of Carnegie Letterhead for the purpose of informing Carnegie residents of discount rates available for electric generation suppliers. Second by Councilperson Demko. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to appoint Councilwoman Covi as the Official Delegate and Councilwoman Demko as the Alternate Delegate to the Allegheny County Borough's Association. Second by Councilperson D'Loss. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to waive penalties and interest charges accrued relating to the 2010 Carnegie Borough Real Estate Tax for the following properties: Block & Lot: 103-L-26, 103-L-27 and 103-L27-01. Second by Councilperson Demko. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to approve the Managers Contract Agreement between Jeffrey C. Harbin and the Borough of Carnegie. The terms of the Agreement are that for a one (1) year period beginning April 11, 2011 and ending April 10, 2012, the Borough shall pay Harbin a Stipend of \$1,000.00 per month in exchange for Harbin performing the duties of Carnegie Borough Manager. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to adopt Resolution No. 2011-07, a Resolution of the Borough of Carnegie increasing the monthly Borough of Carnegie Parking Permit Fee for non-residential and non-local businesses to \$50.00 per month effective June 1st, 2011. Second by Councilperson Demko. UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to authorize the Borough Manager and the President of Council to execute a Lease Agreement between the Borough of Carnegie and Wagner Plaza for the rental of 94 Parking Spaces. Motion Tabled

Code Enforcement (Councilwoman Covi)

MOTION by Councilperson Covi to approve a curb cut at 851 Kennedy Street with a 6ft side yard set back on each side. Second by Councilperson Veres. UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

Public Works (Councilwoman Demko)

MOTION by Councilperson Demko to authorize the release of retainage in the amount of \$26,478.36 to Mongiovi & Son Excavating for excavating repair work completed during the 2009 Sanitary Sewer Point Repair Contract. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote. UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

Public Safety (Councilman Sarsfield)

No MOTIONS

Community Development (Councilman D'Loss)

MOTION by Councilperson D'Loss to adopt Resolution No. 2011-06, a Resolution of the Borough of Carnegie agreeing to certain conditions established by the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for the Allegheny Together Program. Second by Councilperson Sarsfield. UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson D'Loss to approve the RIG Site Plan for the construction of an office building at 803 West Main Street in the C-1 Zoning District on property known as Lot and Block 102-E-78. Second by Councilperson Covi. UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson D'Loss to approve the re-ratification of the Phase 1 sub-division revised dated August 11, 2010 as prepared by PVE Sheffler for the proposed Prestley Heights Development located in the R-3 Zoning District of Carnegie Borough for 25 of 59 Townhouses that were presented on the Master Plan. The purpose of this MOTION is to reaffirm the Council's ratification of the sub-division made necessary due to the Master Plan not having been recorded with the Allegheny County Recorders Office within ninety (90) days of original approval of Borough Council. Second by Councilperson Sarsfield. UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson D'Loss to advertise Ordinance 2352, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie establishing a Shade Tree Commission. Second by Councilperson Covi. UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

Committee Reports

Administration & Finance – Councilman Veres: There will be a Carlynton School District Board Meeting on April 14th at 7:30 pm. The discussion will include the Feasibility Study and the progress of building a new elementary school. Councilperson Veres encourages all residents to attend the meeting.

Code Enforcement – Councilwoman Covi: The Children's Events Committee will hold an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 23rd at 12:00 Noon at the Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department. Carnegie Borough will host the 4th Annual 5K Race on Saturday, April 30th. This is a family-oriented event, please come and enjoy this event.

Public Works – Councilwoman Demko: The consent order work and the camera work is almost complete.

Public Safety – Councilman Sarsfield: Update on the request for funding for the surveillance cameras – Art, District Attorneys Office, stated he will update Chief Harbin on the status of this funding. Public Safety day will be held sometime in the early fall, updates will be provided on the Carnegie Borough website as the date gets closer.

Community Development – Councilman D’Loss: The borough continues its participation in the Tri Boro Comprehensive Planning meetings (Scott Twp., Heidelberg, Carnegie) the next meeting is on Wednesday, April 13th at the Scott Twp Municipal Building. The meeting on April 13th will focus on Carothers Avenue.

The Library has had significant increase in use over the past year. Total circulation has increased 10%, juvenile circulation increased 23% and attendance for children’s programs has doubled during the past year. Use of the library’s wifi internet access has increased 42%. The Library’s Capital campaign stands at \$7.4 million. The library recently received a half million dollar donation from an anonymous foundation. Air conditioning will be installed in the library this summer. April 12th is the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War. It will be marked by a reception at the library and the opening of two photographic exhibits. The library will host a wonderful day of events on April 30th, a detailed list of these events are listed on the library’s website.

On a sad note, Bill English recently suffered a stroke and passed away. Bill English was one of the visionaries who 15 years ago, said that the library could be saved and brought back to its original grandeur. He was one of the drivers who started the campaign and he deserves a great deal of credit for the outcome. He will be missed by many.

Borough Manager’s Report

The 4th Annual 5k Race is April 30th, currently there are 230 pre-registrations, an increase from 2010. This is a great cause – come and enjoy this event and support the Carnegie Volunteer Department. The 2011 Carnegie Clean-Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 7th from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. The rally point is the parking lot along side the Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department. Steve Beuter, Administration, will be coordinating this event. Carnegie Borough has (2) openings School Crossing Guards if anyone is interested please come to the borough building and talk with Chief Harbin.

Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department Report – Chief Kandracs

The total number of Fire calls for the month of March was thirty-eight and the total of EMS calls was 200. Tickets are still available for the Cash Bash that will be held on May 7th at the Bridgeville Fire Department.

Junior Council Report

Two (2) events will be held at Carlynton Jr/Sr High School – Saturday, April 16th the Interact Club will host “The Battle of the Bands” and on Friday, April 29th @ 7:00pm the “Mr. Carlynton Pageant” will be held in the auditorium.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Kobistek

Mayor Kobistek reported that there were 34 criminal arrests, 32 traffic citations, 143 parking tickets issued, and 968 self-initiating activity and total complaints.

The Salvation Army will be closing the center on Washington Avenue in May and opening a new distribution center on Mansfield Avenue. George is the new Chartiers Valley Service Center Director and Fran is the Division Development Director. The new distribution center will be distributing outreach services to Carnegie residents. Fran suggests looking on the Salvation's Army website for a list of the programs offered to children, adults, and seniors.

Mayor Kobistek provided an updated on the Campbell's Run Watershed meeting – the funding for this project is in place and the committee is continuing the progress of this project. There are several steps that need to be taken in order to provide the most cost effective and comprehensive solution. An informative letter will be sent to the residents of Lexington Court to provide them with an updated status. Mayor Kobistek is continuing to meet with Penn Dot to discuss the pedestrian crossing located at Boden Avenue and Hope Hollow Road.

The Mayor participated in the Mayors for Meals last week - the Meals on Wheels program operated out of Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church serves many seniors in the Carnegie area. All volunteers are welcome. The students of Carnegie Elementary school performed in a Talent Show last week. The Mayor commented on how the students embrace diversity and showing respect for one another. The Dare graduation is scheduled for Thursday, April 28th.

General Public Comment

Nadine Carmichael, 203 Railroad Avenue, questioned the survey stake that was by her property. Chief Harbin explained that it may be from the survey that was performed by Army Corps of Engineers. The restoration of the creek

Council Good and Welfare

All council members wished everyone a happy and blessed holiday. President Catena spoke about the education cuts that Governor Corbett proposed and informed the residents is going to author a letter that encourages all municipalities to send letters to the governor expressing their opposition with the proposed education cuts. President Catena also encourages citizens to write to their local representatives regarding these cuts.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Council President Catena asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTIONED by Councilperson Covi.

