



Carnegie Borough
Council Meeting
February 14th, 2011

Workshop Meeting – 6:00 PM
Voting Agenda Meeting – 7:00 PM

6:00 PM – Bond Issue Re-financing Presentation (Lucas)

Call Meeting to Order

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

Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Council

PRESENT:

Councilperson Catena

Councilperson Covi

Councilperson Demko

Councilperson D’Loss

Mayor Kobistek

Councilperson Sarsfield

Councilperson Veres

Public Comment on Listed MOTIONS

No Public comment

Administration and Finance (Councilperson Veres)

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to approve the Minutes from the meeting on January 10th, 2011. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

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

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to authorize the Borough Solicitor to prepare the advertisement and Bid Specifications necessary in order to accept Bids for the collection, hauling and disposal of garbage, rubbish, bulk waste and recyclables from residential units in the Borough of Carnegie. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Veres to appoint Jeffrey C. Harbin to the position of Borough Manager. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

Code Enforcement (Councilperson Carol Covi)

Pubic Works (Councilperson Demko)

MOTION t by Councilperson Demko to approve Payment Invoice No. 3 (Final) from the South Hills Area Council of Governments in the amount of \$24,418.28 for the SHACOG Joint Municipal CCTV Project – Year 6 Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Demko to approve Pay Application Request No. 10 from Mongiovi & Son Excavating in the amount of \$27,004.98 for repair work completed December 16th, 2010 through January 7th, 2011 for the 2009 Sanitary Sewer Point Repair as required by the Consent Order. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Demko to approve a Rental Agreement with Red Zone Robotics in the amount of \$24,950.00 to rent CCVTV Equipment for a 2-week period. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Demko to authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare the Bid Documents necessary for the 2011 Carnegie Road Paving Project. Second by Councilperson Covi. MOTION CARRIED

Public Safety (Councilperson Sarsfield)

MOTION by Councilperson Sarsfield to accept the resignation of James Bennett from the position of School Guard effective January 8th, 2011. Second by Councilperson Covi. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Sarsfield to direct the Borough Manager to advertise in the Signal Item to fill the position of Part-Time School Guard. Second by Councilperson Covi. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson Sarsfield to adopt Resolution No. 2011-02, a Resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, approving Handicapped Parking Spaces near 555 Boquet Street and 329 Academy Street. Second by Councilperson Covi. MOTION CARRIED

Community Development (Councilperson D'Loss)

MOTION by Councilperson D'Loss to advertise Ordinance No. 2349, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, repealing Ordinance No. 2059 relating to Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance (LERTA). Second by Councilperson Demko. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson D'Loss to advertise Ordinance No. 2350, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie and Carlynton School District establishing, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2, Subsection (b) (III) of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act, 72 P.S. Sections 4722, a Real Estate Tax Exemption Schedule for new construction in deteriorated areas and improvements to certain deteriorated industrial commercial

and other business property. Second by Councilperson Demko. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson D'Loss to authorize the Borough Manager, in cooperation with the Carnegie Community Development Corporation, to execute the Allegheny Together Program Application designed to assist in the revitalization of the business district. Second by Councilperson Demko. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilperson D'Loss to authorize Gateway Engineers to prepare design and bidding documents necessary for the Phase I Development of Carnegie Park as per proposal dated February 11th, 2011. Second by Councilperson Covi. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

Reports

Committee Reports

Councilperson D'Loss – Community Development

Library Board is undergoing Strategic Planning Meetings currently the topic of discussion is State Funding.

Carnegie Borough is working on a Comprehensive Plan with Scott Township and Heidelberg. The next meeting is scheduled for February 23rd and the topic of discussion will be the Business District in Carnegie.

Council has approved monies for the publication of a Borough Newsletter. The newsletter will feature many items of interest and will be published three times a year.

Councilperson Sarsfield – Public Safety

Fire Department Consolidation meetings are on going and progressing and all of the necessary reports have been submitted to the state.

Letters have been sent to local government officials regarding funding for the implementation of security cameras for the borough of Carnegie.

Councilperson Veres, Councilperson Covi, and Councilperson Sarsfield will attend a Public Safety Day planning meeting within the next (6) six weeks to discuss the planning for the 2011 Public Safety Day.

Volunteers are being recruited for the Shade Tree Commission. Those interested in being part of a wonderful committee may contact Chief Harbin at the Carnegie Borough building.

Update on the Main Street Bridge, the grant application has been sent to the Sprout Foundation additional information to follow in the upcoming months.

Councilperson Covi – Code Enforcement

Update from the Children’s Event Committee is happy to announce they will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 23rd additional information will be posted on the Carnegie Borough website. Any and all donations are appreciated.

Councilperson Veres – Finance and Administration

There will be a Carlynton School Board Meeting on Thursday, February 17th. The School Board will vote on the option they will choose regarding the feasibility study. Please attend the meeting and show support to either renovate or build a new elementary school in Carnegie. President Catena, Vice President Sarsfield and Councilperson Veres have attended the last (5) board meetings and encourage everyone in the borough to attend Thursday’s meeting.

Councilperson Demko – Public Works

Councilperson Demko and Councilperson D’Loss
Borough Manager

No Report. Mr. Jeff Harbin thanked all council members for the confidence they have in him and his ability and he looks forward to improving the

Mayor Kobistek

Mayor Kobistek reported that there were 17 criminal arrests, 49 traffic citations, 127 parking tickets issued, and 859 self-initiating activity and total complaints. There was an incident at the Carnegie Towers. The incident was handled well by Carnegie Police department and the Management of Carnegie Towers. The owners of the establishment took immediate action and evicted the tenant who caused the issue. The Mayor reported that he has attended the Carlynton School Board meetings and has met with most of the directors to discuss the feasibility study and the different solutions for the elementary schools. The Mayor thanks all those involved and stated that he is confident Carnegie community is well represented and the decision of the school board will be in the set interest for all of the communities and the district. A new grocery, Bottom Dollar, store was approved to be built in Scott Township on Washington Avenue, behind the Family Video Store. The Mayor believes most of the traffic to this store will likely be pedestrian traffic.

The Mayor provided information regarding the Boys and Girls Club Summer Activities Program Fund Raiser. Please try to support this wonderful fund raiser. The Comedy Night fund raiser will be held on Friday, March 18th at the Greentree, Radisson Hotel. Additional information regarding the fund-raiser is posted in the Signal Item.

General Public Comment

Mark Cantley: 509 Flynn Avenue. Expressed concerns with the Volunteer Fire Department Consolidation Study. Mr. Cantley would like additional information regarding the Shade Tree Commission. Councilperson Sarsfield asked Mr. Cantley to stop by the borough building to pick up the information. Mr. Cantley updated the community on the (2) fund raisers that his establishment is involved in and he thanks the patrons of his establishment for their continued support.

President Catena provided information to the community on the Rental Agreement with Red Zone Robotics.

Council Good and Welfare

All of the Council members wished everyone a Happy Valentines Day. Councilperson Demko mentioned that Montana Trombetta has just won his 100th wrestling match – Job Well Done. Councilperson Covi encouraged everyone to participate in the 5K VFD Fund raiser on April 30th. Additional information is available at the borough building and is also posted on the Carnegie Borough web site (www.carnegieborough.com).

MOTION to Adjourn

Councilperson Catena asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTIONED by Councilperson Covi and SECOND by Councilperson Sarsfield to adjourn the meeting.