

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
BOROUGH OF CARNEGIE  
November 8, 2010**

**Public Meeting – 7:00 PM**

**Call Meeting to Order**

President Catena opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

**Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:**

Councilman Catena  
Councilwoman Covi  
Councilwoman Demko  
Councilman D'Loss  
Mayor Kobistek  
Councilman Sarsfield  
Councilman Veres

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Robert, 651 Cabbage Street, questioned (2) Motions listed under Community Development. Joe Lucas explained the reasoning behind both the Motions to repeal and reinstate the Parking Authority Ordinance and the process will expedite.

**ADMINISTRATION**

MOTION by Councilman Veres to approve the minutes from the meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Second by Councilman Sarsfield. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilman Veres to approve the minutes from the meeting on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Second by Councilwoman Demko. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION t by Councilman Veres to approve the minutes from the meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Second by Councilwoman Covi. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilman Veres to approve the November 2010 Bill List and Addendum. Second by Councilwoman Demko. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

MOTION by Councilwoman Demko to approve a Curb Cut at 325 Lexington Court. Second by Councilwoman Covi. MOTION CARRIED

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

MOTION to by Councilwoman Demko to approve Pay Application Request No. 6 from Mongiovi & Son Excavating in the amount of \$8,284.94 for repair work completed between August 1, 2010 and September 30, 2010 for the 2009 Sanitary Sewer Point Repair as required by the Consent Order. Second by Councilman Veres. Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

MOTION by Councilman Sarsfield to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Carlynton School District and the Carnegie Police Department relating to procedural guidelines in place regarding acts of violence on school property, school sponsored activities and school buses. Second by Councilman Veres. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to by Councilman Sarsfield to permit the Carnegie Volunteer Fire and Rescue Bureau to utilize eight (8) parking spaces in Borough Lot #7 for their annual Christmas Tree sale beginning November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Second by Councilwoman Covi. MOTION CARRIED

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:**

MOTION by Councilman D'Loss to repeal all Agreements and/or Ordinances that created a Parking Authority in Carnegie Borough. Second by Councilman Veres. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilman D'Loss to advertise Ordinance No. 2342 an Ordinance to re-establish a Parking Authority in Carnegie Borough. Second by Councilwoman Covi. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilman D'Loss to vacate a portion of Williams Way, between Chestnut Street and Hays Street, contingent on CVS purchasing the properties on both sides of Williams Way as part of their proposed development. Second by Councilwoman Demko. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilman D'Loss to approve a Temporary Tax Exemption Application of Karma Investments for the properties located at 201-205 Mary Street, Block and Lot Numbers 103-L-26 and 103-L-27, and jointly forward said application with Carlynton School District to the Allegheny County Board of Property Assessment Appeals and Review in accordance with Ordinance Number 2059 of February 12, 1996.

MOTION to TABLE by Councilman Sarsfield. Second by Councilwoman Covi. Roll Call Vote for TABLE: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Councilman D'Loss to ratify the decision by the Planning Commission to approve a lot consolidation of certain portions of property located at 408 Franklin Avenue (Front), 408 Franklin Avenue (Rear) and 815 Charles Street.

Second by Councilman Veres. MOTION CARRIED

## **REPORTS**

Borough Manager

Mayor Kobistek

Mayor Kobistek reported that there were 29 criminal arrests, 101 traffic citations, 186 parking tickets issued, and 988 self-initiating activity and total complaints were handled by the Carnegie Police Department for the month of October. Mayor Kobistek reported five disruptive crime reports and when comparing October 2009 to October 2010 there was a decrease in the number of disorderly conducts reported in Carnegie Towers.

The Mayor addressed the issue of abandoned vehicles, vehicles with expired license plates, and asked residents to report the abandoned vehicle to the police department.

The Salvation Army, Chartiers Service Center located on Washington Avenue will be closing. The Salvation Army will hold a Public Meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss the reorganization and answer any questions or concerns residents may have.

Mayor Kobistek updated the residents on the Carlynton School Board activity regarding the Elementary Schools. There are (10) plans that are being reviewed and the Mayor recommends the residents of Carnegie attend the meetings and check out the information on the Carlynton School District web-site @ [www.carlynton.k12.pa.us](http://www.carlynton.k12.pa.us).

The Mayor thanked Carol Covi for a wonderful job with the Halloween Promenade, the children and family members enjoyed the event. The Mayor also thanked Chief Jeffrey Harbin for coordinating the "Toys for Tots 2010" campaign. This toy drive has been very successful in the past.

## **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Robert, 651 Cabbage Street, expressed concern with the number of abandoned houses in Carnegie and problems associated with those properties. He also requested information regarding the demolition of a property.

Councilman Catena and Councilman Sarsfield explained the demo process and addressed the process used for reporting and controlling rodents.

### **COUNCIL GOOD and WELFARE**

Councilman Catena, Councilwoman Covi, Councilwoman Demko, Councilman D'Loss, Councilman Sarsfield, and Councilman Veres wished all Veterans a Happy Veterans Day and thanked all those who are serving and those who have served. They also wished a 'Semper Fi' to all Marines, celebrating the 235<sup>th</sup> Marine Corps Birthday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Sarsfield mentioned any one who would like to volunteer for the Tree and Flower Committee can call Chief Harbin and provide their contact information.

Councilwoman Covi sent out a heartfelt thanks to all of the people who sent her "Well-Wishes". Councilwoman Covi also thanked all of the people for their generous donations for the Halloween Promenade. Santa comes to town on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> and "Lite the Nite" is December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm at the PNC Parking Lot.

Junior Councilmember provided the following information: Carlynton High School will have Training Classes for Intermediate and Advanced Microsoft Word. Contact Frank (412) 429-8400 X1127 for additional information. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton hosts Bingo on Monday Nights at Canevin High School.

Councilman Catena shared information about his visit to the Carnegie Elementary School and recommends everyone attend the Carlynton School board meetings.

All council members wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

### **MOTION to Adjourn**

Councilman Catena asked for a motion to adjourn. MOTIONED by Councilman D'Loss and SECOND by Councilwoman Demko to adjourn the meeting.