

### Monday, September 12, 2022

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

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

#### **Roll Call of Council**

Councilperson Demko – Present; Councilperson D'Loss – Present; Councilperson DiPietro – Present; Councilperson Freshwater – Present; Councilperson Mullins – Present; Council President Boyd – Present; Mayor Riley – Present

Junior Council (2022-23) Swearing-In – Angelika Pyvovar / Mary Ella Snyder – Carlynton School District

Mayor Stacie Riley presided over the swearing in of the two new Junior Councilpersons and expressed her excitement in working with them for future projects.

# 1. Administration (Councilperson Freshwater)

- a. MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting on and August 8th, 2022. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- b. MOTION to hire Theresa Rodrique and Norma Toland as School Crossing Guards (\$33.00 / Day with no other benefits) for the Borough of Carnegie effective Tuesday, August 23rd, 2022. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- c. MOTION to accept the resignation of Mr. Robert Podurgiel from the Carnegie Borough Shade Tree Commission. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- d. MOTION to accept the 2023 Minimum Municipal Obligation Report for the Borough of Carnegie Uniform and Non-Uniform fund as submitted by the Borough Manager. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- e. MOTION to advertise the 2023 budget meetings for October 17th, November 21st, and December 19th, 2022 (if needed). Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

- 2. Finance (Councilperson Mullins)
  - a. MOTION to approve the September 2022 Bill List and Bill List Addendum. Seconded by Councilperson Demko Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
  - b. MOTION to accept the estimate submitted by Woltz and Wind Ford in the amount of \$13,000.00 for an engine replacement and installation (2013 Ford F-550). Seconded by Councilperson Demko Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
    - A. (Woltz and Wind Ford CoStars No. 147187)

COMMENT: Councilperson Mullins explained that replacing the engine was the most cost-effective option, rather than purchasing a new vehicle.

- 3. Public Works (Councilperson D'Loss)
  - a. MOTION to accept the bid submitted by M.A. Dunn for the 2022 Carnegie Park Improvement Project (Phase III) in the amount of \$138,400.00 for the park shelter/pavilion installation. (Contract No. 2021-04). Seconded by Councilperson Mullins Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
    - COMMENT: Councilperson D'Loss explained that this new shelter will be constructed where the old baseball field was at Carnegie Park, across from the Stone Shelter. This project has been in the works for a while, but workers were unavailable and construction costs were too high. Roughly half of the construction costs are covered by a DCNR grant, with amenities to be added in the future.
  - b. MOTION to authorize KLH Engineers to prepare an advertisement for the Cubbage Street Sewer Separation Project (ALCOSAN GROW Grant Cycle 5). Seconded by Councilperson Mullins Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
    - COMMENT: Councilperson D'Loss explained that having a separate sewer system on Cubbage will better control run-off water and prevent future flooding. Currently, 45 inlets run into the sanitary sewer system, which can overflow. This project could potentially begin around wintertime. Special thanks to Steve and Deneen for finding grant funding for projects like this.
  - c. MOTION to permit the Carnegie Boys & Girls Club to utilize 7th Avenue Field every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (4:00 PM to 9:00 PM) and every Saturday (8:00 AM to 2:00 PM) during the months of September and October for the 2022 Boys & Girls Club Flag Football Program. Seconded by Councilperson Freshwater– Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

- d. MOTION to advertise to accept resumes and employment applications for the Borough of Carnegie Department of Public Works. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins-Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
  - COMMENT: Councilperson D'Loss explained that an employee will be retiring in January, so applications and resumes will be accepted to fill that position.
- 4. Public Safety (Councilperson Demko) Nothing for this evening
- 5. Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson DiPietro)
  - a. MOTION to authorize an amended pre-development agreement between the Borough of Carnegie and Papa Mondo, LLC., for the Carnegie Downtown Flats Development Project. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

COMMENT: Councilperson DiPietro added that council has worked alongside the owners of Papa J's for years to bring the restaurant back to town. Certain deadlines from the agreement were not met so this agreement is to extend deadlines without penalties.

## **6. Committee Reports**

- A. Administration Nothing for this evening
- B. Finance The borough will be receiving its second installation of the American Rescue Plan Act funding, roughly totaling \$400,000. This week is the final meeting for the Financial Health Assessment through Grass Root Solutions and the Local Government Academy. So far there are plenty of suggestions for actions.
- C. Code Enforcement and Community Development Nothing for this evening
- D. Public Works The borough has been working on changing out older light poles on Main Street that will be more energy efficient. These poles are corroded and could be hazardous. Several businesses are getting their energy from these poles, but there will be a plan in place to end this and remove overhead electric lines.

The paving contract construction is underway and ADA ramps are being completed. Borough Manager Steve Beuter added that the road paving portion will be starting soon.

E. Public Safety and Fire Dept. / EMS Report – There were 35 fire calls and 143 ambulance calls in August. Councilperson Demko and the Borough Manager will be attending an emergency management and fire safety meeting this week through CONNECT.

### F. President's Report – Nothing for this evening

- <u>7. Manager's Report</u> Borough Manager Steve Beuter discussed the emergency management and fire safety meeting that is being hosted by CONNECT. The borough is always searching for new grants to apply for to better the community. Currently, work is being done to update the natural gas contract. The electric contract is up next year so this will be addressed soon. There are two Farmers Markets left, September 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
- <u>8. Mayor's Report</u> There were 17 criminal arrests and citations, 186 traffic stops (64 on Forsythe Road), 32 traffic citations, 138 parking tickets, and 1,133 calls and self-initiated activities in August 2022. The Farmers Market season is ending, with the final dates being September 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am-2:00pm.

There will be a Historical Society Meeting on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Three community members will be presented with the Marcella C. McGrogan Award. On Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, the Carnegie Community Development Corporation is hosting the Annual Fall Festival, family friendly from 2pm-7pm and adult from 7pm-9pm. There will be games, the Rogi Rumble, music, and other activities.

Mayor Riley discussed the new police patch designed by Deneen Underwood. Chief Kennedy explained the components of the new patch and the inspiration behind its design.

# 9. ACFLMH / CCDC Update -

<u>Maggie Forbes, Executive Director of the Andrew Carnegie Free Library</u> – Welcomed the new Junior Councilpersons and Councilperson DiPietro as an ex-officio member on the library's board. Maggie also extended her appreciation to Chief Kennedy and the officers of Carnegie Police.

There is a Doo-Wap concert on September 30<sup>th</sup> at 8pm, the library staff has been working hard to bring more events like this to the library. This Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> kicks off the RADical Days at the library, there will be several free events throughout the day.

Joanne Letcher, Executive Director of the Carnegie Community Development Corporation – There will be a Business and Building Owners of Carnegie meeting on Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 9am at Higher Voices. Fall and holiday activities, as well as business updates, will be discussed. The quarterly mixers are going to be a regular event following its initial success.

The Fall Festival will be family friendly from 2pm-7pm followed by more adult music and events from 7pm-9pm. There will be funky inflatables and a firetruck this year, along with other fall activities at the festival. The CCDC still needs volunteers for this event, please

reach out if you are interested. The final Crawl of the season is October 14<sup>th</sup>. Finally, there will be an official grand opening ceremony for Sugar Butter Bakery on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am.

10. General Public Comment (Council will hear comments for up to three (3) minutes per person)

<u>Jeanne Williams, JFCS – Welcomed the new Junior Councilpersons and thanked Council President Boyd and the Borough Manager for their assistance in arranging a Carnegie job fair on October 26<sup>th</sup> at the library from 10am-2pm. There will be various employers and resources available.</u>

#### 11. Council Good and Welfare

Councilperson Freshwater – This past weekend was the anniversary of 9/11, never forget.

Councilperson Demko – The Haunted Trails will be returning Fridays and Saturdays in October from 7pm-10, we are still looking for volunteers.

Councilperson DiPietro - Welcome to the new Junior Councilpersons.

Council President Boyd – There is a for lease sign in Bak'n, the borough is excited for a potential new business.

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Councilperson Demko. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss. Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

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