



Monday, December 10th, 2018

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

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

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Councilperson Boyd – Present, Councilperson Canofari – Present, Councilperson Freshwater – Present, Councilperson Popichak – Present, Councilperson Sarsfield – Present, Council President Demko – Present, Mayor Riley - Present

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LISTED MOTIONS – none for this evening.

ADMINISTRATION (Canofari)

**MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting on November 12th, 2018.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to advertise for the 2019 General Fund Budget, Sewer Fund Budget and Liquid Fuels Budget.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to advertise a special meeting to take place on December 27, 2018 at 6:00 PM to finalize the Carnegie Borough General Fund, Sewer Fund and Liquid Fuels Funds.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to advertise the 2019 Borough Council, Planning Commission and Shade Tree Commission meeting schedules.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to advertise Borough Ordinance No. 2455, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie continuing Ordinance 981 of 1982, as amended by Borough Ordinance 2344 providing for setting of Carnegie Borough's Business Privilege Tax for the year 2019.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to advertise Borough Ordinance No. 2456, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie continuing the Local Tax Enabling Ordinance No. 806 (Mechanical Device), No. 808 (Real Estate Transfer), 809 (Earned Income), No. 2279 (Local Services) as amended for the year 2019.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION to advertise Borough Ordinance No. 2457, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie continuing ordinance 2386 (Providing for Non-Owner Occupied Dwelling Registration) for 2019.

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to advertise Borough Ordinance No. 2459, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie amending Chapter 18, Part 6 of the Borough Code of Ordinances relating to sewers and sewage disposal.

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to authorize the President of Council, Borough Manager and Borough Solicitor to prepare and execute the documents necessary to obtain the 2019 Tax Anticipation Loan from Washington Financial Bank in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 at a rate not to exceed 3.16% with no origination fee (pending credit approval).

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak –Roll Call Vote: Councilperson Sarsfield – Yes, Councilperson Freshwater - Yes, Councilperson Boyd – No, Councilperson Popichak – Yes, Councilperson Canofari – Yes, Council President Demko – Yes - MOTION PASSES

MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2018 – 09, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, authorizing the issuance of a Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note, Series 2019.

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

FINANCE (Boyd)

MOTION to approve the December 2018 Bill List and Bill List Addendum.

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

MOTION to approve payment for the November 2018 GTN Law Invoice.

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

PUBLIC WORKS (Freshwater)

MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2018 – 10, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, designating the borough manager as an authorized party for 2019 PennDOT road repairs (Washington Ave., W. Main St., Chestnut/Forsythe Rd.).

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC SAFETY (Sarsfield)

MOTION to advertise Borough Ordinance No. 2460, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, amending Chapter 15 of the Borough Code of Ordinances relating to the parking of Commercial Vehicles in the Borough (Trailer Addition).

Seconded by Councilperson Freshwater – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (Popichak) – nothing for this evening.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration – nothing for this evening.

Finance – the work on the budget continues.

Code Enforcement and Community Development – nothing for this evening.

Public Works – Provided update on yearly leaf pick-up schedule. The collection was extended this year due to the weather. Moving forward this season, Public Works is finished with curbside pick-up but will collect leaves that are placed in brown recycling bags.

Public Safety – the fire department is going around with Santa on the fire truck two evenings. Steve will be contacted. The budget is being reviewed and the fire department has requested from the borough a substantial amount of money (\$37,500) to equip them. It's about safety. There are many classes that the volunteer firefighters cannot attend because their gear is not up to what it should be. This will purchase ten (10) suits and they just received two free suits. Twelve volunteers will be equipped and they are reapplying for the grant that they applied for last year.

President's Report – nothing for this evening.

MANAGER'S REPORT – we have had some sidewalk problems on Morrow Avenue. Public works finally finished them. This took a little longer than expected but this is something we would normally bid out but DPW was able to do it. If you are out, please stop by and take a look. They did a good job. Council President Demko inquired as to how much money was saved by having borough employees do the job. This wasn't known but has been requested to see if it is more cost effective.

CARNEGIE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. & EMS REPORT – for the month of November there were 23 fire calls and 91 ambulance calls.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Police Dept. activity for November 2018: Criminal Arrests and Citations – 20; Traffic Citations – 62; Traffic Stops – 52; Parking Tickets – 184; Complaints and Self-Initiated Activity – 767.

Happy Holidays from Carnegie as we are gifting free parking to patrons that shop in local and support our local businesses. This started on Friday, December 7th and will continue through Monday, December 24th.

The CVFD was selling Christmas Trees as their yearly fundraiser. They are sold out. Santa will be coming around on the firetruck on December 12 and 13 in the early evening. Listen for the sirens – weather permitting. Friday, December 14 is the Wassail Walk; Saturday, December 15 from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Santa will be at BRN Fitness at 307 East Main Street. Also on the 15th from noon to 6 p.m. is the Cookie Sale at Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. Friday, December 21st is the Ugly Sweater and Funny Hat Day in Carnegie.

Looking back, I can't believe that 2018 is coming to an end. It seems like yesterday that I was sworn in as your first female mayor. There's been a lot of growth happening around us. It's a wonderful time to look back and express our gratitude to everyone who made this possible. Beginning in 2018 I started doing ribbon cuttings for new businesses in Carnegie as a symbolic way to say thank you for choosing Carnegie to be your home. I was pleasantly surprised at how often I was asked to pull out the big scissors. Since January, we have covered events for Quantum Spirits, LeoGreta, Abandoned Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Pottery, Apis Mead & Winery, and Fire Box Art Studios. We

already have Endure Barre Studio set for January 5th and a few other new businesses in Carnegie that we are trying to get on the calendar. That's tremendous! Other projects continue to make Carnegie a place to be. We started our farmer's market this year and we learned a lot. We will be dedicated to making this a true success in 2019.

The Carnegie Police Department had two events, Cruising on the Main I & II, which were both great successes. Money raised was donated to Carlynton Youth Baseball.

The Carnegie community was also able to come out for Coffee with CPD. It was an informal but informative way to get to know the officers that protect our town. This will be starting back up in January, so stay tuned for the upcoming dates in 2019.

I want to sincerely thank the employees of Carnegie Borough, our Department of Public Works, Carnegie Police Department, Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department, the Library, the local businesses, CCDC, my fellow elected officials and our Carnegie residents for making Carnegie the best place to live, work and play.

Carnegie's strength and resiliency was tested this year with the tragic fire that occurred at 200 East Main Street at the beginning of March. Over a dozen residents were displaced, losing everything that they had. The terrible loss of Mike Wells and one of Carnegie's staple businesses for over thirty years, Papa J's. I would like to once again commend and thank all of the first responders and all of the outpouring of support to help those victims. I look forward to the future of that site and I'm excited and hopeful that it will help enhance our business district and community.

As busy as this year was, there is still so much ahead for Carnegie. Next year we will be celebrating 125 years and each of our great community events will have a little extra special touch to them. I, personally, will continue to work hard for Carnegie. I would especially like to thank Chief Jeffrey Kennedy and the Carnegie Police Department for keeping this town safe. I wish everyone a happy holiday season and a safe and prosperous new year.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Maggie Forbes – Carnegie Library – thanks to everyone who volunteered and attended Santa at the Library. Great seeing children making ornaments and enjoying Santa. It feels great to be a part of this community. We do have a lot of performances coming up and I've handed out a schedule. I would like to spotlight December 28th and the Brazilian jazz ensemble that will be performing. Tickets are \$25 and include dessert. March 1st will be our 125th celebration marking the incorporation of Carnegie Borough. I want to thank Steve Beuter and Keith Hatcher. We have begun our hillside remediation. Things are going well. It's good to be a part of this community. Happy Holidays!

Jeannie Williams - Jewish Family and Community Services – thanks to Steve and Council for permitting me to come every Friday to meet with clients and assist them with finding employment. My goal is to be able to spend all Fridays right here in Carnegie. One of my colleagues at the JFCC, her husband was shot at the Tree of Life Synagogue and is doing much better. Would like to thank the Indian Community Center for having a great memorial service. There were people from all walks of life all together to give thanks. It's a privilege to be a part of Carnegie.

COUNCIL GOOD AND WELFARE

Councilperson Sarsfield – wished the Jewish Community a Happy Hanukah and to fellow Christians a Merry Christmas. This year flew by. I was born and raised here and I’m so proud of this town and our mayor. It’s a team effort and that’s how a community moves forward. Want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Councilperson Freshwater – this past Sunday I had the opportunity to see The Nutcracker. It was a very enjoyable performance. Carnegie Performing Arts did a great job. It was great seeing all the young people up on the stage. It was a great show and I encourage you to see it. Merry Christmas everyone.

Councilperson Canofari – I’m the new kid on the block and I’m still trying to find the best way that I can benefit the community. I shop local every year and encourage others to do the same. Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukah! Have a safe a blessed New Year!

Councilperson Popichak – if you haven’t finished your Christmas shopping, please shop local. There are great shops in Carnegie. Next year is the 125th anniversary of this town and it will be a celebration throughout the year. We do have the calendar available for sale for \$5. Thanks to everyone for their guidance. It’s been great to work with all of you and I’m looking forward to a great new year. Have a blessed and safe holiday season!

Councilperson Boyd – Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I hope the New Year brings nothing but good health for all.

Council President Demko – gave a client one of the new Carnegie calendars as a gift. She was very grateful as her father used to have a business on Main Street. She could see a part of that business on the calendar. She bought extra calendars as gifts for her family. This has been one of the best years ever with the current council members. Our council and employees are wonderful and easy to work with. Thanks for making my job easier and for all your help this year. I’d like to wish everyone a Blessed and Healthy Holiday!

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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www.carnegieborough.com*