

CARNEGIE BOROUGH PUBLIC MEETING (via Zoom)

Monday, June 8th, 2020

Workshop Meeting Start @ 6:00 PM / Voting Meting Start @ 7:00 PM Call Meeting to Order / Moment of Silence / Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Councilperson Boyd – Present, Councilperson DiPietro – Present, Councilperson Freshwater – Present, Councilperson Popichak – Present, Councilperson D'Loss – Present, Council President Demko - Present, Mayor Riley - Present

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LISTED MOTIONS

ADMINISTRATION (Councilperson Freshwater)

MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting on Monday, May 11th, 2020. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to accept the proposal of KLH Engineers in the amount of \$16,600.00 for engineering services on the Mansfield Boulevard Sewer Relocation Project. (ALCOSAN Regionalization)

Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss - Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to authorize KLH Engineers to prepare the advertisement for Mansfield Boulevard Sewer Relocation Project.

Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss - Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to award a one (1) year extension of the Carnegie Borough Garbage and Refuse Contract to Republic Services of Pittsburgh starting July 2, 2020 (Final Extension Year). Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

FINANCE (Councilperson Boyd)

MOTION to approve the June 2020 Bill List and Bill List Addendum. Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC WORKS (Councilperson D'Loss)

PUBLIC SAFETY (Councilperson Popichak)

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (Councilperson DiPietro)

MOTION to recommend an amendment to the Carnegie Borough Zoning Ordinance for the use of a "Kennel" to be included as a "Conditional Use" in the D3-Arterial District (Recommendations Provided by Environmental Planning and Design – May 19, 2020) Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to advertise for a Conditional Use Hearing on Monday, July 6th, 2020 for the Billboard Installation Application at 611 Arch Street (Lot and Block 104-S-278) submitted by Kenjoh Outdoor Advertising.

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak - Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2020-11, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, recognizing and supporting the application of the WalkWorks Grant Program Application to create a complete streets policy. Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2020-12, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, recognizing and supporting the application of the Borough of Carnegie to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Automated Red Light Enforcement (ARLE) Transportation Enhancements Grant Program.

A. Rapid Flash Beacon Installation – Washington Avenue and Franklin Avenue Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration – nothing for this evening.

Finance – nothing for this evening.

Code Enforcement and Community Development – nothing for this evening.

Public Works – Mansfield Avenue between the two banks. We decided months ago to repave that street but there was an issue with the area labeled "B", which is concrete. It's been dug up numerous times by utility companies for pipes and wires. We asked PennDot if they objected to us paving asphalt through both sections. They had no issue whatsoever. KLH indicated they could do an abbreviated bidding processes, which requires them to do phone call bids instead of formal advertising in the newspaper. We'll be proceeding with that. There is a bad section of curb that Councilperson Boyd has pointed out. (Borough Manager showed slide of area in discussion). We're going to find out the cost to repair that as well.

Public Safety – Nothing for this evening.

President's Report – Nothing for this evening.

MANAGER'S REPORT – to date for the 2020 Census, we are currently at 64.3% for self-response and the total in 2010 was 68.7% over all. We have one of our former summer help assisting with the social media postings. Once we are able to get back to the Farmers Market, we're going to have a table set up for people to fill their out their census forms. Moving into July, we're hoping to be able to set up appointments for anyone who may need help. We currently have 26 vendors signed up for the Farmers Market. We're going to have information posted in the PSAB magazine. We have 7 new vendors for July's market. The Farmers Market is scheduled to start on July 12.

We submitted a Farmers Market Promotion Grant through the USDA Program. We submitted a Greenways Rails and Trails Recreation Program for the 7th Avenue Park, which includes the playground, ADA parking, and rain garden. We are looking into submitting for the Pittsburgh Pirates Charity Grant which would be used for Chioda and/or the Carnegie Youth Athletic Association. We are going to be working on the ARLE Grant for Washington and Franklin Avenues. We'll be working on the WalkWorks Grant and we'll be getting some information for a program through the DCED, which would be to help us with the bridge sidewalk on East and West Main Streets. We have just received \$1,200.00 from PA American Water to assist us in restoring the rain garden at the skate park.

In May, the Carnegie Collier Rotary had done a donation drive at the municipal building. It was successful and we want to thank the Rotary for working with us.

CARNEGIE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. & EMS REPORT - for the month of May there were 24 fire calls and 100 ambulance calls.

MAYOR'S REPORT - Police Depart. Activity for May 2020; Criminal Arrests and Citations – 15; Traffic Citations – 6; Traffic Stops – 11; Parking Tickets – 4; Complaints and Self-Initiated Activity – 703.

The Summer Lunch Program will be offered to all children living in our district. This began this week and will continue through August 23rd. In Carnegie, the meal distribution will begin today and the grab-n-go breakfast will be offered from 9-10 a.m. and the lunch will be provided from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. near the front entrance of the Boys and Girls Club on Washington Avenue. St. John's Church will also serve a grab-n-go lunch from noon to 1 p.m.

The Boys and Girls Club is planning on having in-person summer camps beginning on June 29th. The club will only be accepting a limited number of children. Scholarships are available. The CDC guidelines are 1:9 staff to child ratio and no group sizes of over 25 participants above the age of 2. Masks and gloves are required, handwashing every hour, health checks and proper disinfecting measures will be implemented. They are also going to be offering a virtual summer camp for families. Please call 412-276-3151 for more information. The Club will also offer summer and fall homework help.

The Historical Society of Carnegie is opened by appointment only. If you are interested in visiting them, please call 412-276-7447.

Unfortunately there have been many events that we've had to cancel or postpone. Dogapalooza at Carnegie Park and the July 3rd Celebration and Fireworks.

The Andrew Carnegie Free Library and Music Hall will be having their summer reading program beginning Monday, June 15th. Please contact Miss JoLynne at 412-276-3456 for more information and to sign up. For more information about library programming, please visit carnegiecarnegie.org.

There is currently a link to the Virtual Farmers Market on the Carnegie Borough website. The plan is to open for an in-person Farmers Market on Sunday, July 12th.

The businesses, the restaurants, the shops, and the bars ARE OPEN! Make sure to stop down at our local businesses to show support and to let them know you care!

A huge "Thank You" to Joanne Letcher for keeping the businesses informed on the assistance programs available. You started the Carnegie Cares Fund to help the community deal with the pandemic. To date you have raised almost \$50,000, which includes a \$25,000 grant from The Pittsburgh Foundation Emergency Action Fund. Thank you to all the businesses and organizations that donated to Carnegie Cares Fund. The CCDC is also sponsoring a "Carl the Snail Mask Contest". They will be giving a \$100 gift certificate each week in June. You can find more about the promotion at Visit Carnegie on Facebook.

Lastly, a shout out to all the graduates and to wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors. This wasn't your typical senior year and graduation but good luck and congratulations!

This is an incredibly difficult time in our country. In the midst of a pandemic that has taken lives and livelihoods, we saw yet another black American murdered. This is a time of tremendous sorrow and righteous anger. It's also an inflection point. A moment we must seize and take action and have meaningful dialogue around racism, police reform and public safety. We are fortunate here in Carnegie to have a great leader who is a 30+ year veteran of the department in Chief Kennedy. We have a solid group of officers who uphold our values of Courage, Professionalism and Dedication, and doing the right thing, in the right way for the right reasons. All of our officers are certified through the Pennsylvania Municipal Officers Education and Training Commission and receive yearly mandatory training required to maintain certification. In addition, CPD has a comprehensive in-service training program designed to further the individual skills of police officers and command personnel. CPD is also committed to community policing and takes great pride in community involvement and education. Chief Kennedy and I are committed to reviewing areas of improvement. Personally I'd like to discuss and understand more the frequency of deescalation training implicit bias training. We would not be good leaders of our department or

community if we weren't always reevaluating how we can do better. Our officers put themselves on the line each day to answer calls for help, whenever and wherever they're needed to solve crimes. The vast majority do this job selflessly and with honor and dignity befitting the badge. We can acknowledge this while understanding it's not what millions of people in the country are feeling right now. Black lives matter and the future depends on what we do now.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

COUNCIL GOOD AND WELFARE

Councilperson Phil Boyd – shared a joke and then a story about a parade that he showed up one week early for.

Councilperson Popichak – Nothing for this evening.

Councilperson Freshwater - Nothing for this evening.

Councilperson DiPietro – Reiterating from the Mayor to support our local businesses in downtown Carnegie. Residents be safe at the parks. Congratulations to the Class of 2020! Go Cougars!

Councilperson D'Loss - Nothing for this evening.

Council President Demko – the parking lots of Citizens and Carnegie Coffee have been cleaned up. The DPW finally got the go ahead to get rid of any plants that were dead and/or dying. It looks great!

Chief Kennedy – read a prepared statement regarding George Floyd. Invited council members to review the rules and regulations of the CPD. Carnegie Police Department will continue to serve without bias. Every life is precious.

Mayor Riley – commended Chief Kennedy for speaking up and making this statement. These talks need to be had on so many different levels. I couldn't be more proud of you as the Chief. You do a tremendous job leading our department and you're not afraid to address the hard topics of our time. Thank you for everything that you do.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

The Borough of Carnegie Code of Ordinances is available "on-line" at www.carnegieborough.com