



Monday, March 10th, 2025

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

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

Roll Call

Councilperson Demko – Present, Councilperson DiPietro – Absent, Councilperson Freshwater – Present, Councilperson Lee – Present, Councilperson Mullins – Present, Council President Boyd – Present, Mayor Riley – Present

Public Comment on Listed Motions – Nothing for this evening.

1. Administration (Councilperson Freshwater)

a) MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council meeting on February 10th, 2025. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

b) MOTION to accept the proposal of TRAISR for a municipal asset management tracking and citizen engagement software program. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

A. TRAISR (Tracking, Real Time, Assets, Infrastructure, Systems, Reporting)

COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that this is an app to report and track Code Enforcement and maintenance issues such as potholes and knocked down stop signs. This will not replace 911 for emergencies.

2. Finance (Councilperson Mullins)

a) MOTION to approve the March 2025 Bill List and Bill List Addendum. Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

3. Public Works (Councilperson Demko)

a) MOTION to authorize KLH Engineers to prepare the re-advertisement for the Main Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

A. Gaming Economic Development Tourism Fund (GEDTF) Grant Program

COMMENT: Councilperson Demko explained that the first round of bids came in too high, and that the Borough received a grant for \$150,000 to further off-set the costs.

COMMENT: Borough Manager Steve Beuter added that the project will be readvertised, and there will be a pre-bid meeting to answer any questions from the contractors.

- b) **MOTION to permit the Carnegie Youth Athletic Association (CYAA) to utilize the 7th Avenue Field on Wednesdays, and Chioda Fields 1 and 2, Sunday through Saturday, beginning April 5th, 2025. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- c) **MOTION to permit the Carnegie Sunday Softball Association to utilize 7th Avenue Field every Sunday for their Men’s Softball League beginning April 27th through August 31st, 2025, from 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- d) **MOTION to permit Carnegie Melons Baseball Club to utilize 7th Avenue Field every Saturday for their baseball league beginning May 4th through July 31st, 2025, from 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

4. Public Safety (Councilperson Lee)

- a) **MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2025-04, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie establishing Chapter 15, Part 2, Section 209 of the Borough Code of Ordinances creating a handicapped parking space near 304 7th Avenue (103-K-234). Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

COMMENT: Councilperson Lee explained that this is a communal handicap parking spot. Be good neighbors and let the people who need it, use it.

5. Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson DiPietro) Read by Councilperson Mullins

- a) **MOTION to approve the application of Mr. Andy Redlinger (Grand Old Properties, LLC.) for the conditional use development of a garden apartment to be located at 405 2nd Avenue. Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
 - A. Recommended by Planning Commission – Tuesday, January 28th, 2025
 - B. Conditional Use Hearing – Monday, March 3rd, 2025
 - C. Lot and Block 102-C-116
 - D. C2 – Civic-Professional District
- b) **MOTION to authorize the request of W. Main Pub for the closure of Barrett Way between 6th Street and 7th Street on Saturday, March 15th, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

COMMENT: Council President Boyd added that this is for their St. Patrick’s Day event.

6. Committee Reports

A. Administration – Nothing for this evening.

B. Finance – Nothing for this evening.

C. Code Enforcement and Community Development – Nothing for this evening.

D. Public Works – Nothing for this evening.

E. Public Safety and Fire Dept. / EMS Report – In February 2025, there were 32 fire calls, 118 ambulance calls, and 4 mutual aid calls.

COMMENT: President Boyd explained that the mutual aid calls for Stowe and Ross are an example of a good relationship between departments.

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

- 7. Manager's Report –** The Glass Recycling event that was scheduled for March 1st has been moved to March 22nd from 9am-11am. Administration is working on 5k prep and planning. The annual race will be held on April 26th at 8am. Former Planning Commission and Council Member John Chasky passed away recently. He loved Carnegie and was very involved in the community.

COMMENT: President Boyd added that the recycling bin is delivered on a Friday and is not picked up until Monday, so if you are unable to make it on the event day, you will still be able to utilize the bin.

- 8. Mayor's Report –** In February 2025, there were 15 criminal arrests and citations, 155 traffic stops (37 Forsythe Road), 43 traffic citations, 128 parking tickets, and 872 calls and self-initiated activity. Two sergeants are attending FBI leadership training classes with the other two sergeants to attend in the future. The entire department completed their MPOTEC training for 2025.

On March 15th, the West Main Pub will be hosting their St. Patrick's Day Block Party. It kicks off at 10am with food trucks on site. The library will be hosting a World Poetry Day celebration on March 22nd from 11am-1pm. Also, the Historical Society will be having their annual meeting and award ceremony, all are welcome. The Carnegie-Collier Rotary is having their fundraiser on April 4th at 6pm at the Club at Nevillewood.

The Easter Bunny returns to East Main Street on April 12th in front of Carnegie Coffee Company. On April 26th at 8am, the 18th Annual Carnegie Volunteer Fire & Rescue Bureau 5k Run/Walk kicks off. To celebrate Read Across America Week, I had the opportunity to read to second graders. Officers from CPD and Representative Anita Kulik also had the chance to read to students. Looking at all the kids in the audience gave me hope for our future. March is Women's History Month. I was Carnegie's first female mayor and this represented progress in breaking barriers in leadership and the importance of representation. This month is deeply symbolic to me, and we should reflect on the struggles to get here and the work that remains to achieve true gender equity.

9. Jr Council Report (Angelika Pyvovar) – Nothing for this evening.

10. ACFLMH / CCDC Update

ACFLMH, Executive Director Marlee Gallagher – The Library is celebrating World Poetry Day on March 22nd. There are several concerts coming up in the Music Hall before it closes for renovations and there will be a job fair prep session in partnership with JFCS on April 1st from 10:30am-12pm with a job fair to follow on April 4th from 11am-2pm. The Civil War Symposium will be held April 11th-12th. The Library's Annual Benefit will be held on September 26th. A new edition of the newsletter will be delivered in the next couple of weeks.

CCDC, Executive Director Sam Bigham – Planning for the 2025 Crawl season has begun. We hope to engage more of the businesses in town that are not restaurants or retail and with the Southwest Regional Chamber of Commerce. There was a Building and Business Owner Committee meeting on February 27th to discuss what they would like to see happen and to address marketing/social media.

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

Jeanne Williams (107 Cathedral Court) – Discussed the upcoming JFCS job fair and prep session at the library. In addition to the thirty employers present, there will also be resources and non-profits there to address any needs. On Fridays, JFCS offers drop-in career services in the Borough Building Caucus Room from 11am-1pm. All are welcome.

Keira Canan (501 Beechwood Avenue) – Thank you everyone who attended Family Reading Night at Carnegie Elementary School. I was last here in November 2024 asking for a public garbage can along Capitol Drive and Washington Avenue. The littering is terrible. Also, the employment guide/newspaper area is outdated and full of garbage.

12. Council Good and Welfare

Councilperson Demko – Nothing for this evening.

Councilperson Lee – Remember the fish fry's happening in town during Lent Season.

Councilperson Freshwater – Nothing for this evening.

Council President Boyd – Nothing for this evening.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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