

Monday, October 9, 2023

Workshop Meeting Start @ 6:00 PM / Conditional Use Hearing @ 6:45 PM / Voting Meeting Start @ 7:00 PM

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

Public Comment on Listed Motions

Roll Call of Council

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

1. Administration (Councilperson Freshwater)

- a) MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council meeting on September 11th, 2023. Seconded by Councilperson DiPietro Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- b) MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2023 23, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, requesting a Statewide Local Share Assessment (LSA) Grant of \$999,262.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Carnegie Borough Municipal Building rehabilitation and repair. Seconded by Councilperson Demko - Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

COMMENT: Borough Manager Steve Beuter explained that Motions 1b)-1f) are for a number of grant applications for building and park upgrades. Last year, the borough received money for updates at Carnegie Park. The applications are due at the end of November and there is no match requirement, so this grant program is competitive.

- c) MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2023 24, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, requesting a Statewide Local Share Assessment (LSA) Grant of \$785,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for court and playground resurfacing and fencing replacement. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins - Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- d) MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2023 25, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, requesting a Statewide Local Share Assessment (LSA) Grant of \$383,224.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Public Works Upgrades. Seconded by Councilperson Demko - Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- e) MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2023 26, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, requesting a Statewide Local Share Assessment (LSA) Grant of \$172,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Carnegie Borough Parking Upgrades. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins - Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

- f) MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2023 27, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, requesting a Statewide Local Share Assessment (LSA) Grant of \$44,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for updating the Carnegie Borough Municipal Comprehensive Plan. Seconded by Councilperson Demko - Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- g) MOTION to hire Ms. Marjorie Christopher as a School Crossing Guard (\$33.00 / Day with no other benefits) for the Borough of Carnegie effective Wednesday, October 11th, 2023. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins - Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

COMMENT: Chief Kennedy added that there is still one more crossing guard position open.

2. Finance (Councilperson Mullins)

- a) MOTION to approve the October 2023 Bill List and Bill List Addendum. Seconded by Councilperson Demko Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- b) MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2023 28, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the purchase of a 2023 Ford F-550 4x4 DPW truck and accessory equipment via costars and the incurrence of debt obligations related thereto. Seconded by Councilperson DiPietro – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

COMMENT: Councilperson Mullins added that this was a \$99,000 purchase.

COMMENT: Borough Manager Steve Beuter explained that this was ordered at the end of 2022 and is still being completed.

- 3. Public Works (Councilperson D'Loss)
- 4. Public Safety (Councilperson Demko)
- 5. Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson DiPietro)
 - a) 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 C3-Office Commercial District. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED
- 6. Committee Reports
 - A. Administration Nothing for this evening.
 - B. Finance It is the beginning of budget season and there is a meeting on September 16th at 6pm.
 - 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 Councilperson Demko thanked Public Works for their assistance in setting up the Haunted Trail at Carnegie Park. There were 132 ambulance calls and 28 fire calls in September 2023.

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

7. <u>Manager's Report –</u> The borough received a \$5,000 grant from Duquesne Light which will go towards a community garden in Irishtown. On October 8th, the Shade Tree Commission and volunteers hosted a clean-up along West Main Street. On September 23rd, the Borough hosted a paper shredding, glass recycling, and drug dump event in partnership with Representative Anita Kulik, Republic Services, and the Allegheny County Sheriff's Department.

Another successful Farmer's Market season wrapped up on September 24th. Thank you to administrative staff and all of the vendors that participated this year. There will be a Purse Bash Bingo on November 18th at All Saints Polish National Church to support the fundraising efforts to restore the Stone Shelter.

The Halloween Promenade will be on October 28th with registration beginning at 12pm near the East Main Street Bridge.

8. <u>Mayor's Report –</u> Mayor Riley performed the swearing in for Junior Councilperson Angelika Pyvovar. In September 2023, there were 8 arrests and citations, 102 traffic stops (46 on Forsythe Road), 9 traffic citations, 112 parking tickets, and 976 calls and self-initiated activity.

Special thanks to Deneen Underwood in Administration for securing a grant for bullet proof vests, which will save the borough \$9,000. Mayor Riley also shared a positive interaction regarding Officer Butler and a student.

October 13th is the last Crawl of the season. The Trail of Terror kicks off this Friday with additional dates of October 14, 20, 21, 27, and 28 from 7pm-10pm. Admission is \$15 for ages 11 and older and \$10 for kids 10 and under. This event throughout October is a fundraiser for Carnegie Park projects.

As a reminder the Halloween Promenade will be on October 28th and the borough will be celebrating Halloween on October 31st from 6pm-8pm.

9. Jr. Council Report (Angelika Pyvovar / Ella Snyder)

<u>Angelika Pyvovar – Auditions for the fall play and PSAT testing are upcoming for students.</u>

<u>Ella Snyder – Nothing for this evening.</u>

10. ACFLMH / CCDC Update

<u>Maggie Forbes, Executive Director of ACFLMH –</u> There are several upcoming concerts and events at the library, see the website for more information. On September 30th, the Kyiv Ukrainian Dance Ensemble performed in the Music Hall for the first time since before the pandemic and it was a great crowd. The Veteran's Day celebration will be on November 11th at 1pm.

<u>CCDC –</u> The final Crawl will be on October 13th from 5pm-9pm and there will not be a band. The Holiday Open House will run from November 10th-13th. Small Business Saturday is on November 25th. There will be a pet photos with Santa event on December 16th from 2pm-5pm.

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

12. Council Good and Welfare

<u>Councilperson DiPietro –</u> Be careful driving on Halloween with kids out trick-or-treating. The Carlynton Boys Soccer made the playoffs.

Councilperson Mullins – Happy Halloween!

<u>Councilperson Demko –</u> The Trail of Terror opens October 13th, we are still in need of volunteers.

<u>Councilperson Freshwater –</u> There is war in the Middle East, please pray for an end.

<u>Council President Boyd</u> – There will be a flag retirement event at the American Legion on Jane Street on Saturday, October 14th at 10am.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Councilperson Demko. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins. Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

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