



**Monday, January 9, 2017**

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

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**Councilman Sarsfield asked Members of Council prior to the Moment of Silence to remember the police officer shot in the line of duty in Orlando, Florida, and also the victims of the Fort Lauderdale Airport.**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL**

**Councilperson Boyd – Present, Councilperson D’Loss – Present, Councilperson Demko – Present, Councilperson Riley – Present, Councilperson Sarsfield – Present, Council President Catena – Present, Mayor Kobistek – Present.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON LISTED MOTIONS**

**No public comment on listed motions.**

**Administration (Councilperson Boyd)**

**MOTION to appoint the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette as the Borough’s designated newspaper for advertising purposes.**

**Seconded by Councilwoman Demko. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to approve Carnegie Borough Resolution 2017-01 continuing Resolution 18 of 2012 setting fees within the Borough of Carnegie.**

**Seconded by Councilwoman Demko. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to approve the partial Minutes from the Council Meeting on December 12 and December 27, 2016.**

**Seconded by Councilwoman Demko. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Councilman Boyd commented that the Borough has had technical difficulties regarding the transcribing of the minutes; however, that situation will be resolved shortly.**

**MOTION to appoint Council Member Michael Sarsfield as a primary delegate to the Char-West Council of Governments.**

**Seconded by Councilwoman Riley. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to appoint Council Member Stacie Riley as an alternate delegate to the Char-West Council of Governments.**

**Seconded by Councilwoman Demko. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to appoint Mr. John Duran to the Vacancy Board for the year 2017.**

**Seconded by Councilwoman Riley. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Finance (Councilperson Demko)**

**MOTION to approve the January Bill List and Bill List Addendum, as amended.**

**Seconded by Councilman Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Public Works (Councilperson D'Loss)**

**MOTION to approve Payment Application No. 3 to Insight Pipe Contracting LLC., in the amount of \$52,956.94 for work completed between November 1 and December 23, 2016 for the 2016 Storm and Sanitary Sewer Facilities Improvements, Contract No. 2016-03B.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to adopt Borough Ordinance No. 2442, an ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny, Commonwealth of PA, amending Chapter 18, Part 6 of the Borough Code of Ordinances relating to sewers and sewage disposal.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Discussion was held between Councilman D'Loss, Council President Catena and Councilwoman Demko regarding rate increases by ALCOSAN and rate decreases by the Borough of Carnegie to try and offset the increases of ALCOSAN.**

**MOTION to advertise the 2017 Pavement Maintenance Program contingent upon finalization of road paving list.**

**Seconded by Councilman Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to advertise the 2017 A.B.C. Sewer Contract for continuing consent order sewer repairs.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to authorize KLH Engineers to advertise and bid for the 2017 Plum Street Stormwater Improvement Project.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to authorize KLH Engineers to advertise and bid the Grienbrier Drive Storm Sewer Improvements contingent upon final plan approval.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION to authorize the purchase of a crack sealing machine in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Public Safety (Councilperson Sarsfield)**

**There are no Motions for Public Safety.**

#### **Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson Riley)**

**MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2017-02, a Resolution of the Borough of Carnegie approving that the acquisition and subsequent disposition of a parcel of vacant property known as block and lot numbers 66-J-310 (508 Dawson Avenue) would be in accord with the comprehensive plan of the municipality.**

**Seconded by Councilman Boyd. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Administration. Councilman Boyd commented on the team work that has been going on in the Administration Department due to a long term illness of one of the administrative employees. The Borough Manager, Steve, has by and large picked up a lot of the work himself, and he has got the other employees rallying behind himself and picking up the slack. So, it seems like we are in pretty good shape right now, and I just wanted to publicly thank everyone who works in administration for working as a team and getting their work done. And thank Steve for working for as hard as he has been working.**

**Finance. No report for this evening.**

**Code Enforcement and Community Development. Councilwoman Riley announced that we were successful in obtaining Phase III DCNR grant funding for Carnegie Park in the amount of \$200,000.**

**Public Works.** No report for this evening.

**Public Safety.** No report for this evening.

**President's Report (President Catena).** No report for this evening.

**Manager's Report.** No report for this evening.

**Carnegie Volunteer Fire Dept. & EMS Report.** No report for this evening. There will be a double report next month.

**Mayor's Report.** For the month of December 2016 -- Criminal Arrests and Citations: 7; Traffic Citations: 30; Parking Tickets: 94; Complaints and Self-Initiating Activities: 960. Year-end reports: Complaints and Self-Initiated Activities were up 4% this year to 11868 which was up 423 more from last year. We had a much better traffic year, non-reportable accidents were down 26%, overall traffic accidents were down 15%, and traffic complaints were also down 15%. Animal complaints were up 14% this year. Parking complaints were up 13% this year. Forgery, fraud and scams was up 85% this year. This is something the Mayor and the Chief will be looking into for this year. Driving under the influence was up 45%. Protection from abuse service was up 120%. This was a concern last year that was discussed with the District Attorney, and will continue to work with the District Attorney to see what can be done about this matter. Thefts are down 33%, burglaries are down 29%, and the use of force were four incidents. Over 12,000 calls and only four incidents of use of force, and none were fire armed related.

One of the biggest issues facing communities across the United States right now is the use of opiates and heroin and the number of overdoses. Our number last year was seven. We had seven individuals that overdosed. Our police and paramedics are now carrying Narcan in an effort to prevent death due to an overdose. Senator Fontana and Representative Deasy recently had a town hall meeting to address the opiate and heroin addiction crisis. The meeting was attended by the Pennsylvania Attorney General, the Allegheny County District Attorney, the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office, many rehabilitation centers, and the Allegheny County Department of Human Services.

The Boys and Girls Clubs winter sports season is well on its way. There are more than 400 children participating in the basketball and hockey program.

It appears there will be a spring opening of the mini golf located next to Carnegie Park.

This Saturday is the library's second Civil War lecture.

Boy's and Girl's Trivia Night on February 25. We will get the information on the website.

## **SECTION 11 Re-Organization**

### **Administration**

**MOTION by Councilman D'Loss to reorganize.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Riley to nominate Councilwoman Susan Demko as President of Council.**

**Seconded by Councilman Boyd.**

**Council President Catena: Madam Vice President, "Do you accept the nomination." Vice President Demko, "Yes, I do."**

**Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Motion by Councilman D'Loss to nominate Councilman Phil Boyd as Vice President of Council.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield.**

**Council President Catena: Councilman Boyd, "Do you accept this nomination?"**

**Councilman Boyd, "I accept it, yes."**

**Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Motion by Councilman D'Loss to accept the resignation of Patrick Catena from Carnegie Council being that President Catena has tendered his resignation to the President, the Vice President and the Borough Manager.**

**Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield.**

**Councilman Sarsfield offered comment regarding the asset that Council President Catena has been to not only him but the Borough. He's a good man, I wish him the best. God bless him.**

**Councilman D'Loss offered his comments regarding his friendship with President Catena, and that he and Council will miss him.**

**Councilwoman Riley offered him nothing but success in his future endeavors and his path in life.**

**Councilman Boyd publicly offered his thanks to President Catena for always being there to answer the telephone no matter how small or how big the question was. He had a way of rationally things and helping to bring things back to square one. He truly appreciated his leadership.**

**Councilwoman Demko commended President Catena on his knowledge of finances and what he brought to the table for the Borough of Carnegie when it came to finances. She stated it has been a pleasure to serve with him over the past eight years. Good luck with everything, I will miss you.**

Mayor Kobistek wished offered President Catena good luck, appreciated working with him under enjoyable times and not so enjoyable times, but we all had the same motive. He thanked him for all the years of working together and wished him the best of luck in the future.

Council President Catena reflected upon his past election history. Talked about the good decisions he made for the Borough, and also some of the bad, but the good decisions definitely outweighed the bad – hiring Chief Jeffrey Kennedy, hiring Borough Manager Steve Beuter, bringing back our 13<sup>th</sup> police officer, supporting the fire department, hiring an additional part-time code enforcement officer, infrastructure improvements within the Borough, three successful grant submissions for Carnegie Park over an eight year time period, green parking lots, technological upgrades within the Borough, and of course the one I am most proud of, increased funding for our library. Can I say that I have left Carnegie a little better than when I inherited it. When I inherited it, we had about \$300,000 in our surplus account, this year we have \$305,000 in our surplus account. We have about \$500,000 in the bank for emergency purposes in case they come up. When you have a great team around you, they make you look good, and make Carnegie look fantastic. I learned some much for this whole team, Council, the Mayor, Joanne from the CCDC, Maggie from the library, our business owners, our resident and all our committees – all working closely together. I would like to close by thanking the residents of Carnegie for allowing me to represent them for the past eight years. I thank Council for being there for me, and I would like to thank Mayor Jack Kobistek for sharing the helm of leadership with me. We kept each other on our toes, and that is how government should be, loyal, passionate, dedicated individuals willing to debate ideas to move the town forward. Tonight I can leave here knowing that we did just that. I wish you all much success, and no matter where my path may lead me, I will be sure to remind others that all roads do, in fact, lead to Carnegie. Thank you all very much everybody.

Motion by Council President Due Demko to accept the resignation of Pat Catena from Carnegie Borough Council.

Seconded by Councilman D'Loss. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Councilman D'Loss to advertise to fulfill the unexpired term of Patrick Catena.

## **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Maggie Forbes, Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall. Maggie thanked Pat Catena for his service to the Borough of Carnegie. She wished him all the best. She also talked about the new agreement with the library and the Borough, and upcoming events at the library. In addition to reminded Council that Rotary will be meeting at the library at noon for the next three months.

**Resident.** Commended Council President Catena for all the work that he has done on Council. In addition, he commended all of Council for their great work on Council, and also the Police Department.

**Curry Marshan, resident of North Versailles.** Addressed Council with regard to establishing a Lion's Club in Carnegie. Twenty members are needed for an official Lion's Club. Lionsclubs.org is the official website.

#### **COUNCIL GOOD AND WELFARE**

**Councilman Sarsfield.** Councilman Sarsfield reflected on Officer Christian Shade who was killed in the line of duty on Christmas Eve in 1941. He also reflected on many other incidents in the Borough wherein many of our officers were in harm's way carrying out their duties. He asked for prayer for all police enforcement.

**Councilman Boyd.** No comment for this evening.

**Councilwoman Riley.** Councilwoman Riley gave an announcement with regard to the death of Melissa Bowers who was killed here in Carnegie on February 8, 2012 from domestic violence by her ex-boyfriend. He mother, Colleen, has organized a fundraiser this year on February 4, 2017 from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. at Cefalo's. Tickets are \$20.00 in advance or \$23.00 at the door. All funds raised are donated to help bring awareness to the community and also to Center for Victims.

**Council President Demko.** Councilwoman Demko reported on the fund raising efforts for new lights for Chioda Field. The Haunted Trail raised \$2,800, and the recent Lottery ticket sale raised \$3,000. We now have \$5,800 toward this goal.

**Councilman D'Loss.** No comment for this evening.

**Past Council President Catena.** No comment for this evening.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** by Councilman D'Loss.  
Seconded by Councilman Sarsfield. Vote: UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

**MEETING ADJOURNED.**

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