



CARNEGIE BOROUGH - MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AT 6:00 PM

Swearing in of newly elected officials by Mayor Jack Kobistek

“I, STACIE RILEY, do solemnly swear to support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United State of America and the Constitution and laws of this commonwealth; that I will, during my term of office as a Councilperson, perform the duties of my office with fidelity; that I have not paid or contributed or promised to pay or contribute directly or indirectly, money or anything else of value to procure my nomination, appointment, or election except for necessary and legitimate expenses expressly authorized by law; that I, have not knowingly violated any law of this commonwealth or procured it to be done by others in my behalf; that I will not knowingly receive, directly or indirectly, money or anything else of value for the performance or nonperformance of any act or duty pertaining to my office that the compensation allowed by law.”

Councilperson Riley was sworn in and congratulated by the Mayor.

Remarks were made by Councilperson Riley.

“I, SUSAN DEMKO, and MICHAEL SARFIELD, do solemnly swear to support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United State of America and the Constitution and laws of this commonwealth; that I will, during my term of office as a Councilperson, perform the duties of my office with fidelity; that I have not paid or contributed or promised to pay or contribute directly or indirectly, money or anything else of value to procure my nomination, appointment, or election except for necessary and legitimate expenses expressly authorized by law; that I, have not knowingly violated any law of this commonwealth or procured it to be done by others in my behalf; that I will not knowingly receive, directly or indirectly, money or anything else of value for the performance or nonperformance of any act or duty pertaining to my office that the compensation allowed by law.”

Councilpersons Demko and Sarsfield were sworn in and congratulated by the Mayor.

Remarks were made by Councilperson Sarsfield.

Remarks were made by Councilperson Demko.

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

MOTION by Councilperson Sarsfield to nominate Pat Catena for the position of President of Council. Roll Call Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Councilperson Boyd to nominate Sue Demko for the position of Vice-President of Council. Roll Call Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Kobistek congratulated Pat Catena and Sue Demko on their positions and turned over the gavel to the new Council President, Pat Catena.

Administration and Finance (Read by Council President Pat Catena)

MOTION to appoint Gaitens, Tucceri & Nicholas as the Borough’s Solicitor. Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to appoint KLH Engineers as the Borough’s Engineering Firm. Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to appoint Hosack, Specht, Muetzel & Wood LLP., as the Borough’s auditor. Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to appoint the Pittsburgh Tribune Review as the Borough’s designated newspaper for advertising purposes. Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Remarks were made by Councilperson Sarsfield regarding costs of advertising.

Mayor Kobistek stated that the Tribune Review discontinued circulation in our area January 1, 2016. MOTION to approve Carnegie Borough Resolution 2016-01 continuing Resolution 18 of 2012 setting fees within the Borough of Carnegie. Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to enter into an agreement with Dan Knoll Motors, Inc., to lease a portion of Borough property at Second Street and Mansfield Avenue to Dan Knoll Motors, Inc., for the purposes of erecting a sign. Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield. Vote UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.

Councilperson Sarsfield gave comment regarding this matter stating that this matter went before Zoning and Zoning approved the matter. The Borough must now come up with the lease agreement. He stated there was a \$200.00 difference from the initial asking, but he did not feel it was worth appealing this matter or dragging it out any longer over \$200.00.

Councilperson D'Loss gave comment regarding this matter stating that he is in support of this agreement because it will remove the vehicle with the sign atop it from the Bagnato Funeral Home Parking Lot. However, he stated he will be a nay vote due to the financial terms of the lease agreement.

Mayor Kobistek stated that he feels this agreement will set a precedence in the Borough with regard to other businesses requesting access to place off-site signage on Borough-owned property. He also stated the lease is too long and the price is too low for a piece of Borough property. The Mayor also expressed concern over wordage in the lease agreement.

Councilperson Demko stated that the Borough had an agreement with the Exxon for years and years with regard to the sign on the car, which is such an eyesore in the Borough, and just wanted to get rid of it. She stated that it is a small piece of Borough property for the owner to have a sign there in order to let everyone know where his gas station is located being that it is not on Main Street. She stated that we are here to help the business owners, and that by doing this we will get rid of the car in the Bagnato Parking Lot and also get our parking space back.

Mayor Kobistek stated that he felt that the Borough has always support this business very well.

Council President Catena stated that for the eight years that he has been on Council, this issue has been discussed if not every month, every other month over the past eight years. He stated we cannot turn a blind eye to this situation. If a business comes to Council and asks for assistance, he believes Council has the responsibility to do everything within its power to try to help that business. He stated that this agreement has achieved the two outcomes that were needed, getting rid of the sign, and helps the business owner.

**Councilperson Boyd – Yes, Councilperson D'Loss – No, Councilperson Demko – Yes, Councilperson Riley – No, Councilperson Sarsfield – Yes, Council President Catena – Yes.
MOTION CARRIED.**

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

MEETING ADJOURNED.

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www.carnegieborough.com*

