



Monday, August 12th, 2019

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

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

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Councilperson Boyd – Present, Councilperson Canofari – Present, Councilperson Freshwater – Present, Councilperson Popichak – Present, Councilperson Sarsfield – Present, Council President Demko – Present, Mayor Riley - Present

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LISTED MOTIONS

ADMINISTRATION (Councilperson Canofari)

**MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting on July 8th, 2019.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to advertise the 2020 budget meetings for September 30, October 21, October 28, November 25, and December 5, 2019 (if needed).
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to permit the Borough Manager to execute a three (3) year agreement between On Demand Energy Solutions and the Borough of Carnegie to purchase Electric Service for the Borough Building and Borough owned property/facilities (Constellation Energy).
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to authorize the Borough Manager to proceed with an appraisal for the municipal lot located known as the Mansfield Boulevard Parking Lot (Lot and Block 103-M-226)
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2019-04, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, PA, recognizing and supporting the application of the Borough of Carnegie to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County (RAAC) Active Allegheny Grant Program to conduct the Carnegie Rails-to-Trails Panhandle Trail Connector Study.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

FINANCE (Councilperson Boyd)

MOTION to approve the August 2019 Bill List and Bill List Addendum.

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to exonerate lot-and-block 102-B-287 (Logan Street – Carnegie Borough Building) from the 2019 Borough property tax payment.

Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Roll Call Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC WORKS (Councilperson Freshwater)

MOTION to permit the Carnegie Soccer Association (C.S.A.) to utilize the Carnegie Park All- Purpose Field from August 26th to November 2nd at the following times:

Monday to Thursday from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM (Practice)

Saturdays from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM (Games)

Sundays from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM (Games)

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC SAFETY (Councilperson Sarsfield)

MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2015 – 05, 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 518 Forest Avenue.

Seconded by Councilperson Sarsfield – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (Councilwoman Popichak)

MOTION to approve the application of Mr. Edward Fleck for the lot consolidation of Lot and Blocks (103-J-138) and (103-J-139) as recommended by the Planning Commission on July 30, 2019.

Seconded by Councilperson Canofari – 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 – nothing for this evening.

Public Safety – nothing for this evening.

President’s Report – we were just informed that the construction on Mansfield Avenue should be completed within one week. Per borough manager, the next phase of repair will start on Chestnut Street after Labor Day. Washington Avenue repairs have been rescheduled to next year.

MANAGER’S REPORT – this is the time of year for the Community Development Block Grant. We are applying for demolitions. Working with the code office to get a list of the houses that are currently vacant and unlivable. There are funds available for this purpose. The Farmers Market has been extended to September 29th at the request of the vendors. Open Streets is scheduled for September 14th.

CARNEGIE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT & EMS REPORT – for the month of July 2019 there were 17 fire calls and 102 ambulance calls. For June 2019 there were 110 ambulance calls (info not available at last meeting).

MAYOR’S REPORT – Police Dept. activity for July 2019; Criminal Arrests and Citations - 18; Traffic Citations - 9; Traffic Stops - 21; Parking Tickets - 110; Complaints and Self-Initiated Activity - 750.

After reflecting on the 125th Celebration, I couldn’t be more proud of Carnegie. From the bustling streets at the Carnegie Crawl, activities at the Library, to the proclamations at the Historical Society, battle of the barrels and finally a rocking car cruise and crowded farmers market, it was so fulfilling to see our community embrace and celebrate our heritage. It gave me so much hope of where Carnegie is going and what the future holds. I sincerely thank Councilwoman Regina Popichak for all of the hard work she has put in to making sure that we partied like it was 1894. Her leadership and ability to work with the different groups and organizations to create a memorable year for Carnegie is impressive. The calendars, souvenirs, cookies, events and much more – she truly did an amazing job. None of this would be possible without our borough administration, DPW, CPD and CVFD. It was nice to see our elected officials in attendance throughout the weekend celebrating our rich history in the town we represent and call home. It makes me want to keep working harder to make Carnegie the best place to live, work and play.

Upcoming August events: August 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. is the “Backpack Bash” sponsored by the Salvation Army. This will take place at the Chartiers Valley Service Center at 225 West Main Street. On Monday, August 26 is Carlynton School District’s first day of classes. Summer is coming to an end. The Boys and Girls Club after school program begins on Monday, August 26th and runs Monday through Friday from 3-6 p.m.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Maggie Forbes – Carnegie Library – reiterated how great the 125th Celebration was. Special thanks to the fire department for participating in a “Touch a Truck” event. Kids got to go up in the bucket truck. Thanks to the CVFD for being a part of the celebration. Carnegie was definitely Main Street USA!

Joanne Letcher – CCDC – wanted to thank everyone for helping with the 125th Celebration. We had the biggest crowd ever for the Crawl. We have the raffle for the Carnegie restaurant and shopping spree. Asked Mayor to pull the winner. Proceeds of \$1,710 will go towards the holiday banners on East and West Main Streets.

Mona Salmen – 318 Lexington Court – wanted information or help to find grant money. She and four neighbors are being flooded all the time. Have been trying to redo yards and are looking for resources to help with the landscaping costs. Per Keith Hatcher, the DPW will take care of the tree leaning into the creek.

COUNCIL GOOD AND WELFARE

Councilperson Mike Sarsfield – we were supposed to give a resolution tonight but the recipient had a family matter and wasn't able to attend. We will do that next month. As the Mayor stated, it was a great weekend in Carnegie. Happy Birthday Carnegie!

Councilperson Freshwater – Talked about St. Louis Park in MN. Their city council voted unanimously to eliminate the Pledge of Allegiance from their meetings. The story made the papers and television. At the next meeting, the outraged citizens made known how they felt, which led to their Council to unanimously reinstate the Pledge of Allegiance. In Carnegie Borough our meetings used to start with a short prayer asking for help and guidance and for the good and welfare of the people of our town. The prayer was eliminated mysteriously. I asked the borough manager to check on this and all that he was able to find was that one month there was a prayer, and at the next month's meeting, there wasn't. There isn't anything in the minutes about who proposed it. No record of why this change happened. Someone has to know why this happened. To me, not having the prayer is disgraceful.

Councilperson Canofari – August 30th is International Overdose Awareness Day. This is sponsored by CLEAR. The event is always held at the Trinity Cathedral on 6th Street in Downtown Pittsburgh. There is going to be a class about treating opioid disorders, Narcan training, and the families of those who have passed will be honored. EMS will be recognized and honored and there will also be a prayer service. A bell will be rung, one for each person who passed from Allegheny County.

Councilperson Popichak – thanked everyone who volunteered for Carnegie's 125th Celebration. Thanks to CVFD, CPD, Borough Staff, Carnegie Library, Borough Council, Historical Society, The Boys and Girls Club etc. We have a great town and I'm proud to be from Carnegie. Thanks to everyone for such a great weekend!

Councilperson Boyd – regarding the towing incident that happened at the Carnegie Crawl in June, the gentleman who owns the Family Dollar building has proven to be a great guy. He is going to reimburse everyone for their costs of towing and related expenses. If you were affected please turn all of your receipts into the borough office by August 16th. You will receive the new rules and regulations as it pertains to recycling in your mail from Republic Services. **NOTE**** Our recycling vendor will no longer be accepting glass. County Councilman Pat Catena sends his greetings and congratulations on Carnegie's 125th. He wanted to send greetings to everyone here tonight and sent his apologies for not making the celebration. Pat is having a fundraiser for his campaign on Saturday at Carnegie Park. All are welcome.**

Council President Demko – thanked Councilperson Popichak for the fabulous job in heading up the Carnegie 125th Celebration. The car cruise was incredible! There were 174 cars that came to the cruise. Thanked borough staff, DPW, CPD, Duran's, CVFD, Historical Society, Carnegie Library, The Boys and Girls Club, Rep. Kulik, Senator Fontana, Pat Catena, Mayor Riley, Governor Wolfe, Lt. Governor Fetterman, Jeff Keenan, Congressman Lamb and everyone who participated in Carnegie's 125th. It was a wonderful weekend for Carnegie Borough!

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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