



Monday, April 13th, 2026

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 Canan – Present, Councilperson D’Loss – Present, Councilperson Demko – Present, Councilperson DiPietro – Absent, Councilperson Lee – Present, President Boyd – Present, Mayor Bigham – Present

Public Comment on Listed Motions – Nothing for this evening.

1. Administration / Parks and Recreation (Councilperson Demko (Canan))

- a) **MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council meeting on March 9th, 2026. Seconded by Councilperson Canan – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- b) **MOTION to permit the Borough Manager to execute an agreement between Snyder Bros., and the Borough of Carnegie to purchase Natural Gas Service for the Borough Building and Borough owned property/facilities. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
 - A. **Sales Price (New Contract – \$4.60) / Sales Price (Prior Contract – \$4.13)**

COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that the Borough buys its gas through a broker that helps us find a better rate than People’s Gas. The current rate for People’s is \$5.10, meaning we save 10% going through a broker.

COMMENT: Borough Manager Steve Beuter added that this will be a two-year contract.

2. Finance (Councilperson Canan (Demko))

- a) **MOTION to approve the April 2026 Bill List. Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

3. Public Works and Engineering (Councilperson Lee (D’Loss))

- a) **MOTION to authorize Pay Application No. 3 from E2 Landscaping in the amount of \$71,805.18 for the Lexington Court Retaining Wall Project (Contract No. 2025- 01). Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

COMMENT: Councilperson Lee added that this was the first contract from 2025, we are finally seeing the end of this.

- b) **MOTION to accept the proposal of Drnach Environmental, Inc. for CSO flow report services provided for two locations within Carnegie Borough. Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

A. 6th Street CSO and Washington & Trimble CSO

- c) **MOTION to permit the Carnegie Sunday Softball Association to utilize 7th Avenue Field every Sunday for their Men’s Softball League beginning May 3rd through August 31st, 2026, from 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM. Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

- d) **MOTION to permit the South Hills Senior Softball League to utilize 7th Avenue Field every Monday for their Men’s Softball League beginning May 1st through August 31st, 2026, from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

4. Public Safety (Councilperson D’Loss (Lee))

- a) **MOTION to authorize the Administration Department to apply through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (Local/State Formula) for the purchase of six (6) body worn cameras in the amount of \$17,734.30 for the Carnegie Police Department. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

5. Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson DiPietro (Mayor Bigham)) – Nothing for this evening

6. Committee Reports

A. Administration – Nothing for this evening.

B. Finance – Council President Boyd explained that Council is receiving prospective quarterly analysis reports from our finance person. She has stepped in as a temporary part-time employee and is wonderful. The report tells us where we are year-to-date, but also what we can expect for the bigger numbers in the future.

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 March 2026, there were 43 fire calls and 136 ambulance calls.

F. President’s Report – There’s a serious construction project happening on Campbell’s Run Road. This will help bottleneck traffic issues but also include two retention ponds which will eliminate some of the excess water flow that makes its way to Carnegie via Lexington Court. This should be adequate enough to hold back enough water.

7. Manager's Report – Nothing for this evening.

8. Mayor's Report – In March 2026, there were 8 criminal arrests and citations, 86 traffic stops (16 Forsythe Road), 22 traffic citations, 152 parking tickets, and 978 calls and self-initiated activity. At the last workshop meeting we received letters from students at Carnegie Elementary, grades 3-6, about things they want to see changed in our borough. The top categories were repairing sidewalks/potholes, improvements to parks, constructing a pool, cleaning up trash, and having more lighting and events.

Last month I attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for a new business at 20 East Main Street called Penn & Webb, a law firm. They share space with another law firm called Shannon Law Group. Mark your calendars because the Carnegie Farmer's Market is coming back this year, starting June 14th and running every Sunday through October on Main Street between Mary and Broadway. There's usually 30-50 vendors, including farms, fresh produce, crafts, and jewelry.

The Carnegie 5k is this Saturday. Registration is still open and will be open the day of as well. The race starts at 8am and benefits the Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department. Party in the Park is on May 30th, there will be food, a car show, and fireworks. A special shoutout to Chief Kennedy and Dana for planning this.

COMMENT: Chief Kennedy added that everyone should come out for the 5k and it's going to be 50-60 degrees that morning.

9. ACFLMH / CCDC Update

Marlee Gallagher, Executive Director of ACFLMH – This year's Civil War Symposium is April 17th-18th. There's around 150 people registered to see the exhibits and participate in the lectures. Sunday, April 19th is the Earth Day Celebration from 12pm-2pm. The Library's 125th birthday is going to be on May 1st. Check out the Library's website for more events like dancing and yoga.

Sam Bigham, Executive Director of CCDC – The CCDC is hosting a clean-up event on Sunday, April 19th and as a reminder, the Library will be having their Earth Day Celebration on April 19th. The Business Meetups for networking will be June 11th, August 13th, and October 8th at Higher Voice Studio at 9am. The Crawl's have now been rebranded as Second Fridays, it's more modern and better named. Everything else will stay the same, just the name is changing to better reflect the event. This will run May-September with the first one being May 8th.

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

Melissa Mentz (310 Lexington Court) – Main Street is in such disrepair. The streets are not safe, the sidewalks are uneven and cracked, and at the Easter Bunny event, one of the pedestals almost fell on my child. I caught it before it could fall on her. Our Main Street is what we present to people and it looks really bad. The part-time Code Enforcement person was out taking photos and was not wearing anything to show that he works for the Borough. He looks like a random guy taking pictures of our yards.

COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that these concerns will be addressed with Main Street and the Code Enforcement person will get a jacket with the Borough logo.

Darlene Seaton (209 Lexington Court) – I maintain the bridge and creek bank and the work that is being done on Lexington is an inconvenience. The wall is not going to be high enough, the contractor is using my electric and I have not seen a penny for this, and they take up parking spaces. There are needles all down the hill, I cleaned this up as well as the poison ivy. I met the Code Enforcement person when he was taking pictures of my property and he has nothing to show where he is from. I am upset because I feel like I'm being singled out for my boat that I cannot move down the street and for parking on the sidewalk just like everyone else. The kids need to be safe, there's a drug house and they are throwing needles. There's a huge beehive near where the kids catch the bus too. The contractor also smashed the main drain along the road and if there is enough rain, Lexington Court will flood. Ms. Seaton also asked about the progress on the kayak launch project and discussed the importance of kids activities like fishing in the Chartiers Creek.

COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that the contractor using Ms. Seaton's electricity will have to pay for this. The grant the Borough received for the launch project was significantly under the bids from contractors.

Rob Graw (311 Lexington Court) – The contractors from the Lexington project have made my lot a mud pit. I can't park over there or get to the lumber I need to move or else I will get stuck. I don't know what to do. They did not get my permission to park there.

Jeanne Williams (107 Cathedral Court) – I appreciate you all coming out and using your voice. This is a platform that is not utilized enough. Even when things are going good, its still good to be vested. JFCS will be having a career check up workshop at the Andrew Carnegie Free Library on April 22nd from 11am-12:30pm. There was a small fire across from where I live and the response and team effort was amazing. We have great first responders and our maintenance crew is amazing as well. There are some great things that our community does.

Mona Salmen (318 Lexington Court) – The Borough has a lot of traffic problems, Lexington Court is one of those. Years ago, I brought up a traffic calming device, which would've prevented people from using our street as a cut through.

COMMENT: Council President Boyd and Chief Kennedy explained that the Borough does not use traffic calming devices like speed bumps as it makes the road more costly to maintain, more difficult to be treated by Borough vehicles, and would open the Borough up for more requests. The Police Department can monitor a street and as soon as they leave, vehicles are speeding again.

11. Council Good and Welfare

Councilperson Canan – Thank you everyone for coming, this work is important. I am just coming off of jury duty from last week. April 24th and April 29th are remote days for students, I just wanted to make people aware of that.

Councilperson D’Loss – It is springtime which means shrubbery, lawns, and hedges can grow over the sidewalk and make it difficult for people with strollers and walking. Make sure to keep everything trimmed back and off the sidewalks. You might have hedges that border an alley, which means cars have to swerve around them. Take care of your lawns and make it safer for people.

Councilperson Lee – The NFL Draft is going to be in town April 23rd-25th, so if you have any plans downtown, you may want to rethink them.

Council President Boyd – One of the things we discuss as Council is that the worst place to bring up issues, is at a Council meeting. We do not have the opportunity to work with them. The best possible time is to call your Councilperson and let them know the issue. I have used Lexington Court as a cut through and have walked it many times, but I was unfamiliar with some of the issues going on currently. Traffic problems do not surprise me, but needles and contractors stealing electricity does. Everyone wants a traffic calming device or the Police Department to monitor their street. I see the Carnegie Stop on my street as well.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

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