



Monday, February 12th, 2024

Conditional Use Hearing Start @ 6:00 PM (415 Washington Avenue – Attawheed Islamic Center, Inc.)

Workshop Meeting Start @ 6:10 PM / Voting Meeting Start @ 7:00 PM

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

Roll Call

Councilperson Demko – Present, Councilperson DiPietro – Present, Councilperson Freshwater – Present, Councilperson Lee – Present, Councilperson Mullins – Present, Council President Boyd – Present, Mayor Riley – Present

Public Comment on Listed Motions

Mary Zuccaro (327 Reamer Avenue) – Ms. Zuccaro asked if the police cars in Motion 2b were going to be leased and if they were hybrid models. Council President Boyd answered that the vehicles would be leased until paid off and the borough would then own the vehicles. Chief Kennedy added that the vehicles are not hybrid. She also asked about Motion 2c and which parking kiosks this would replace. Council President Boyd explained this motion will be tabled for further discussion. Ms. Zuccaro asked about Motion 5a regarding development on Reamer Avenue. The builder was in attendance and introduced himself and explained he is building a duplex.

1. Administration (Councilperson Freshwater)

- a) MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council meeting on January 15th, 2024. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- b) MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2024-04, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, appointing a representative (Phil Boyd) and an alternate (Steve Beuter) to the Governing Board of the Chartiers Valley District Flood Control Authority. Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- c) MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2024-05, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, amending Resolution No. 2022-19 to include the transfer of two regulators and CSOs (Combined Sewer Overflows) connected to the ALCOSAN C-38 A transfer agreement. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that following an inspection, ALCOSAN will be taking over ownership of this sewer.

- d) **MOTION to permit the Borough Manager to execute a twenty-four (24) month agreement between Kinect Energy, Inc., and the Borough of Carnegie to purchase Natural Gas Service for the Borough Building and Borough owned property/facilities. (Snyder Brothers, Inc.) Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED.**

A. Sales Price (New Contract – \$4.13) / Sales Price (Prior Contract – \$6.14)

COMMENT: Council President Boyd added that this is for commodity only and that this is a good rate for the borough.

2. Finance (Councilperson Mullins)

- a) **MOTION to approve the February 2024 Bill List and Bill List Addendum. Seconded by Councilperson DiPietro – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED.**
- b) **MOTION to approve the purchase / lease of two (2) 2024 Ford Explorer Interceptors from Laurel Auto Group at a price of \$60,150.00. (5 Year / 100,000-mile warranty) (COSTARS Vendor - 178949) Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED.**

A. Trade-In Vehicles:

- 1. 2020 Dodge Durango (\$17,000.00)**
- 2. 2015 Ford Interceptor SUV (\$5,000.00)**

COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that the borough has been purchasing a new vehicle every year to replace the ones that no longer run. This allows the Police Department to get two brand new vehicles and to transfer two of their current vehicles to Public Works.

COMMENT: Chief Kennedy added that this vehicle recycling between departments ensures both departments have good vehicles and saves on maintenance costs as all the vehicles have a 100,000-mile warranty.

- c) **MOTION to authorize the purchase of five (5) parking kiosk machines from Butts Ticket Systems in the amount of \$49,850.00. (Includes installation, shipping, and training). MOTION to table MOTION 2c by Councilperson Mullins. Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION TABLED**

3. Public Works (Councilperson Demko)

4. Public Safety (Councilperson Lee)

5. Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson DiPietro)

- a) **MOTION to approve the application of Mr. William Limpert for the lot subdivision submitted for 303 Reamer Avenue as recommended by the Planning Commission on January 30, 2024. (Lot and Block 103-G-238 / R-2 Residential Zoning District) (Contingent upon Engineer and Allegheny County Review) Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED.**

- b) **MOTION to approve the curb cut application submitted by Mr. William Limpert for the property located at 303 Reamer Avenue. (Lot and Block 103-G-238) Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

- c) **MOTION to approve the application of the Attawheed Islamic Center, Inc. for the Conditional Use development submitted for 415 Washington Avenue (Community Center) as recommended by the Planning Commission on January 30, 2024. (Lot & Blocks 103-M-10, 103-M-8, 103-M-6, 103-M-2 / C-2 Civic-Professional Zoning District) Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

- d) **MOTION to approve the application of NSC Properties, LLC. for the land development submitted for 499 Arch Street (Warehouse Addition) as recommended by the Planning Commission on January 30, 2024. (Lot and Block 103-D-137 / M-1 Planned Industrial Zoning District) (Contingent upon Engineer and Allegheny County Review) Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

6. Committee Reports

- A. Administration – Nothing for this evening.**
- B. Finance - Nothing for this evening.**
- C. Code Enforcement and Community Development – Nothing for this evening.**

COMMENT: Council President Boyd added that Rocky Bleier recently purchased another building in the borough and is renovating the space.

- D. Public Works – Nothing for this evening.**
- E. Public Safety and Fire Dept. / EMS Report – In January 2024, there were 131 ambulance calls and 31 fire calls.**
- F. President’s Report – Nothing for this evening.**

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

8. Mayor’s Report – In January 2024, 8 criminal arrests and citations, 167 traffic stops, 35 traffic citations, 47 parking tickets, 1,003 calls and self-initiated activity.

Police Department 2023 Year End Review: Department consists of 13 full-time officers: one Chief (Jeffrey Kennedy), three patrol sergeants and eight patrol officers and one detective. All sergeants and patrol officers work a four-day week with a 2 day off schedule. Every third week, the officers would work 10-hour shifts to complete their forty hours. This gives all officers the same number of weekends off.

Between the officers there were 74 sick days, 3 officers used zero sick days, and 2 officers used one. One officer has 29 sick days. Approximately 29, 565 miles were patrolled (Carnegie is 1.3 square miles in total) and there were 1,180 shifts.

For the year 2023 there were 325 traffic citations, 93 non-traffic citations, 61 reportable traffic crashes, 134 non-reportable traffic crashes, 1,904 traffic stops conducted, 2,241 traffic targets, 37 calls for service (criminal mischief), 21 sudden deaths, 2 overdoses, 1 suicide, 161 disorderly conducts, 220 domestic, 22 narcotics calls, 12 DUIs, 98 harassment, 127 mental health calls.

For self-initiated activity there were 44 night business checks, 291 vacation checks, 293 foot patrols, 1,884 business checks, 385 bank checks, 293 school checks, 58 bar checks, 294 welfare checks.

There were 170 physical arrests, 9 uses of force. This information is also available upon request. CPD provides security for the 5k, Vets Roll, Memorial Day Parade, Farmer's Market, Carnegie Fourth of July Celebration, Car Cruise, and Light Up Night.

On February 23rd, 24th, and 25th from 10am-2pm the Historical Society will be celebrating Honus Wagner's 150th birthday. There will be free exhibits and food. The Carnegie-Collier Rotary is celebrating 100 years of service this year on February 17th. St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church and St. Simon and Jude will be having fish fry events beginning February 14th from 4:30pm-7pm. The Carnegie Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 32 will be at the Ukrainian Club.

Meet the Easter Bunny on Main Street (in front of Carnegie Coffee) on March 23rd from noon-2pm. The bunny has treat bags for all kids and this event is sponsored by the Carol Covi Children's Event Committee and Carnegie Borough. The rain date is March 24th.

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

Ella Snyder – Students at Carlynton have been working on Shoeboxes for Seniors, a program that delivers toiletries to seniors in the community. A Black Student Union was formed at Carlynton and is open to all students. Students in the school district will be attending a field trip to Carnegie to take photos to send to Kelty, Scotland as part of the Sister City Program.

On January 27th, the borough held another Glass Recycling event, and it was the most attended out of the previous recycling events. The Celebration of World Poetry Day will be held on March 23rd at the Library from 11am-1pm.

10. ACFLMH / CCDC Update

Marlee Gallagher, Executive Director of the ACFLMH – The transition to becoming executive director has been very smooth. Marlee thanked Council for their letters of support for their PA250 grant application, which has moved onto the second round. Check out the library's website for upcoming events.

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

Mary Zuccaro (327 Reamer Avenue) – Thanked Borough Manager Steve Beuter and Code Enforcement for their assistance in solving an issue in her neighborhood quickly.

Dennis Dewey (1004 Forsythe Road) – Thanked Chief Kennedy and the Police Department for monitoring speeding on Forsythe Road. Mr. Dewey spoke about his experience with Republic Services since the new garbage collection schedule went out in January. He explained that the Republic App has incorrect dates, his recycling has gone weeks without collection, and their customer service is terrible. Wants to see this addressed.

Attawheed Islamic Center (401 Washington Avenue) – Told Council to reach out before events such as Vets Roll and the Memorial Day Parade to coordinate the parking lot line up. Welcomed Council to their Ramadan events that are coming up. Also spoke regarding construction cones left behind and worried about someone getting hurt on the sidewalk in front of the center.

COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that the light poles in front of the building are going to be replaced soon, Public Works is waiting on a certain part that was out of stock.

12. Council Good and Welfare

Councilperson Freshwater – When is the next Glass Recycling event?

COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained there will be four this year and Mayor Riley added that they are quarterly.

Councilperson Demko – Wished everyone a good Ash Wednesday and Valentine’s Day.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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