



Monday, January 13th, 2025

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

Public Comment on Listed Motions – Nothing for this evening.

1. Administration (Councilperson Freshwater)

- a) MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council meeting on December 9th and December 30th, 2024. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- b) MOTION to appoint Mr. Nate Boring of Sherrard, German & Kelly, P.C. as the Borough’s solicitor. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- c) MOTION to appoint KLH Engineers as the Borough’s engineering firm. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- d) MOTION to appoint Jordan Tax Service as the Borough’s tax collection firm. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- e) MOTION to appoint the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette as the Borough’s designated newspaper for advertising purposes. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- f) MOTION to appoint Councilperson Boyd as a primary delegate and Councilperson Lee and Borough Manager Steve Beuter as alternate delegates to the Allegheny County Southwest Collection District. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- g) MOTION to appoint Councilperson DiPietro as a primary delegate and Councilperson Freshwater as the alternate delegate to the Char-West Council of Governments. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

- h) MOTION to appoint Steve Beuter as the appointed official delegate and Councilperson Mullins and Mayor Riley as alternate delegates to the Congress of Neighboring Communities Group (CONNECT). Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- i) MOTION to appoint Councilperson Boyd, DiPietro, and Lee as municipal representatives to the Andrew Carnegie Free Library and Music Hall Board of Trustees. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- j) MOTION to appoint Councilperson Mullins as the primary Borough Council representative and Councilperson Freshwater as an alternate representative for the Carnegie Borough Shade Tree Commission. Seconded by Councilperson DiPietro – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- k) MOTION to appoint Councilperson DiPietro and Mayor Riley as municipal representatives to the Carnegie Community Development Corporation. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- l) MOTION to approve Carnegie Borough Resolution 2025-01, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, appointment Hosack, Specht, Muetzel & Wood LLP as the Borough’s auditor. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- m) MOTION to approve Carnegie Borough Resolution 2025-02 continuing Resolution 18 of 2012 setting fees within the Borough of Carnegie. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- n) MOTION to adopt Borough Ordinance No. 2494, an Ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie amending Chapter 18, Part 6 of the Borough Code of Ordinances relating to sewers and sewage disposal for 2025. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

2. Finance (Councilperson Mullins)

- a) MOTION to approve the January 2025 Bill List and Bill List Addendum. Seconded by Councilperson DiPietro – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

3. Public Works (Councilperson Demko – Read by Councilperson Lee)

- a) MOTION to enter into a bargaining agreement with the Carnegie Borough International Brotherhood of Teamsters (Local 250) for a term starting January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2029. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- b) MOTION to authorize KLH Engineers to prepare the advertisement for the Lexington Court Stream Bank Stabilization Project. Seconded by Councilperson Mullins – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

4. Public Safety (Councilperson Lee) – Nothing for this evening.

5. **Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson DiPietro) – Nothing for this evening.**
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.**
 - D. **Public Works – Nothing for this evening.**
 - E. **Public Safety and Fire Dept. / EMS Report – In December 2024, there were 22 fire calls, 5 mutual aid calls, and 126 ambulance calls.**
 - F. **President’s Report – Nothing for this evening.**
7. **Manager’s Report – Administration printed and packed the yearly invoices for the Business Privilege Tax so businesses can expect to receive those this week. Thank you to the Public Works Department for being on top of snow removal and plowing. If there is ever a street that needs done, please call down and we will take care of it.**
8. **Mayor’s Report – In December 2024, there were 14 criminal arrests and citations, 117 traffic stops (15 Forsythe Road), 17 traffic citations, 33 parking tickets, and 829 calls and self-initiated activity. Every January, we have a department year in review, so please see below for the 2024 totals.**

2024 Police Department Year in Review

General

11538- calls/self-initiated activity in Carnegie Boro responded to by the Carnegie Police
3951- calls/self-initiated activity in Pennsbury Boro responded to by the Carnegie Police
134- criminal arrests
346- traffic citations issued
443- non-traffic citations issued
1593- traffic stops made
1599- traffic targets completed
99300 total patrolled miles in Carnegie & Pennsbury Village Boroughs

Training

13 Officers completed 16 hours of mandatory classroom training
13 Officers completed taser certification
13 Officers completed firearms/patrol rifle/ & shotgun qualification
13 Officers completed classroom as well as hands on training for de-escalation
2 Officers completed 40 hours of training for “field training officer” at Penn State University
1 Officer completed 40 hours of advanced supervisor training by the FBI National Academy
1 Officer completed advanced driving tactics and skilled emergency vehicle driving

Officers

CPD consists of 13 full-time officers with the following rank structure:

1 Chief of Police

4 Patrol Sergeants

1 Patrol Detective

7 Patrol Officers

24 hours a day protection was covered by officers working a total of 2555 shifts

No workmen comp claims were filed from on duty injuries

101 sick days were taken, the majority from extended off duty injuries by 2 officers

Sgt. Cogar was newly promoted to Sergeant in anticipation of retirement and to cover shifts not covered by a Sergeant

No officers involved in on-duty motor vehicle accidents were reported

8 use of force reports filed, 7 were hand to hand with an assailant which resulted in no injury, 1 was a taser deployment which resulted in no injury

No firearms discharged other than training and to humanly euthanize an injured wild animal

Brief Summary of Calls

228- alarms answered

172- animal complaints answered

30- assaults answered

139- assists to outside agencies answered

10- Burglary calls answered

22- Sudden death calls answered including 1 murder, 2 overdoses, 1 suicide

108- Disorderly conduct answered

53- Fraud calls answered

66- Vehicle lockouts answered

114- Mental Health calls answered

264- Patrol activity cards displayed on businesses

202- Vacation checks completed

1562- Business checks completed

405- Bank Checks completed

277- School checks completed

74- Bar checks completed

35- Public Drunkenness arrests made

1 - Bank Robbery responded to with an arrest

96- Theft calls answered

333- Suspicious activity calls answered

62- Reportable traffic accident taken

165- Non-reportable Traffic accidents answered

This is only a summary of the calls, and a detailed report can be obtained at the Carnegie Police Department.

9. Jr. Council Report (Angelika Pyvovar) – Nothing for this evening.

10. ACFLMH / CCDC Update

ACFLMH – Nothing for this evening.

CCDC – Sam Bigham introduced himself as the new Director and will have reports for the CCDC in the future.

11. General Public Comment (Council will hear comments for up to three (3) minutes per person) – Nothing for this evening.

12. Council Good and Welfare

Councilperson Demko – The Police and Public Works do a great job, the roads in Carnegie were clean and we have gotten great feedback on this. Happy New Year.

Councilperson DiPietro – Shout out to the Chief, the Police Department, and Administration they are great. Keep an eye out for your elderly neighbors and make sure to offer help with shoveling.

Councilperson Freshwater – Will there be a winter glass recycling?

COMMENT: Manager Steve Beuter explained that the next recycling event will be at the beginning of March. It will be posted online for residents.

Councilperson Lee – Spoke about the new bookstore in town, Woolly Bear Books and Gifts. It is a good addition to the community. We do not talk about our Police force like we should. Our officers are terrific, and we are very lucky.

Councilperson Mullins – Drive safe in the snow. Our hearts go out to the victims of the wildfire in California.

Council President Boyd – Nothing for this evening.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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