



**Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 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 – Present, 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 February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- b) **MOTION to engage the services of the Cohen Law Group (CLG) through the Char-West Council of Governments to assist in a franchise fee audit and cable franchise renewal negotiations with Verizon of PA, Inc. (Verizon). Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- c) **MOTION to execute a Lease Agreement between the Borough of Carnegie and Congressman Chris Deluzio for the rental of the second-floor tenant (Suite 204) space located at 1 Veterans Way, Carnegie, PA 15106 (Carnegie Municipal Building). Seconded by Councilperson Canan – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
  - A. **Contract Term: April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, to January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2027.**

**COMMENT: Council President Boyd added that the new tenant’s rent is modestly lower than the previous renters. However, as this serves the public interest quite well, we believe that it is a good use of the space. There will be no down time between our current tenant and Congressman Deluzio as opposed to months and months on end looking for a new tenant. It serves them well as it is a nice, convenient, and safe location.**

**COMMENT: Borough Manager Steve Beuter thanked the tenant that is moving out, Deacon & Hoover Real Estate. They found a building to purchase for their business. We wish them the best of luck and look forward to having our new tenant.**

- d) **MOTION to accept the proposal from Pittsburgh Reliable Cleaning Services LLC for commercial cleaning of the Carnegie Borough Municipal Building. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that Public Works, who cleans the public sewers and storm systems, has been cleaning the building for some time. Professional cleaners are better suited for this.**

## **2. Finance (Councilperson Canan (Demko))**

- a) **MOTION to approve the March 2026 Bill List and Bill List Addendum. Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- b) **MOTION to authorize the purchase of two (2) parking kiosk machines from Butts Ticket Systems in the amount of \$19,044.36. Seconded by Councilperson DiPietro – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
- A. COSTARS Contract No. 033-E22-042**
  - B. Kiosk purchase to be reimbursed through Local Share Account (LSA) Grant Contract, Commonwealth of PA CFA (No. C000091665)**

**COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that these parking kiosks can be found between Sunset Pizza and the railroad tracks. The meters will be repurposed to the best of their ability.**

**COMMENT: Borough Manager Steve Beuter added that this will be between Elk Avenue and Mary Street. This is part of several phases of replacements on Main Street.**

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

- a) **MOTION to authorize Pay Application No. 2 from E2 Landscaping in the amount of \$59,746.14 for the Lexington Court Retaining Wall Project (Contract No. 2025- 01). Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMENT: Council President Boyd explained that the Borough is dissatisfied with the contractor on this particular project and we are in agreement with our engineer that we should get the approval in place should they happen to make good progress on the work that they are doing. We are going to wait on whatever the legal amount of time is for this before we pay them.**

- b) **MOTION to permit the Carnegie Youth Athletic Association (CYAA) to utilize the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Field on Wednesdays, and Chioda Fields 1 and 2, Sunday through Saturday, beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026. Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**4. Public Safety (Councilperson D'Loss (Lee))**

- a) **MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2026-06, 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 517 Library Avenue (103-S-48). Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**5. Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson DiPietro (Mayor Bigham))**

- a) **MOTION to adopt Resolution 2026-05, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, electing to remain included in the Allegheny County Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership Programs for years 2027, 2028, and 2029. Seconded by Councilperson Canan – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

- b) **MOTION to authorize the request of W. Main Pub for the closure of Barrett Way between 6th Street and 7th Street on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026, from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Seconded by Councilperson Canan – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMENT: Council President Boyd added that this was done last year and there were no issues, this is for their St. Patrick's celebration.**

**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 February 2026, there were 118 ambulance calls and 39 fire calls.**
- F. President's Report – Nothing for this evening.**

7. **Manager's Report – The Borough has been working on its tenant agreement with Congressman Deluzio's office, this will get us back to full occupancy without any gaps. We have been working with the engineers on a couple grant projects we have, one being near Irishtown Park for sewer work that will be taking place. There will be notifications sent out to the Borough and its residents. Irishtown Park will also be receiving new play equipment; we have been working with the contractor who did 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Park a couple of years ago. Council and staff are working on planning these projects and future grant applications as well as collections for the Business Privilege Tax, 5k preparation, and getting ready for our spring taxes.**

8. **Mayor's Report – Chief Kennedy is not in his usual seat as he is currently out of town, but Sgt. Seaman is here in his place. In February 2026, there were 5 criminal arrests and citations, 53 traffic stops (10 Forsythe Road), 3 traffic citations, 124 parking tickets, and 793 calls and self-initiated activity. The Carnegie 5K, which benefits our volunteer fire department is coming up, sign-ups are open so make sure you sign up if you are able to. We also have the Party in the Park on May 30<sup>th</sup> with bands, food trucks, a car show, and fireworks as well. Glass Recycling Events return April 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> and June 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. Once we have a new garbage contract, we can plan future dates. There will be help available from 9am-11am.**

**COMMENT:** Councilperson Canan added that the Easter Bunny on Main Street will be on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> from noon-2pm in front of Carnegie Coffee. The rain date is Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.

## 9. ACFLMH / CCDC Update

**Marlee Gallagher, Executive Director of ACFLMH** – The Library will be having its second USAID program this Thursday. The program will include a documentary viewing and panel discussion regarding cuts to the program and its impact. It is completely free. On Saturday evening, we have a magician performing in the Studio. This is a new program for the library. We will be on Talk Pittsburgh to discuss the show. On March 17<sup>th</sup>, there will be a town hall event with Public Source to discuss the community and journalism in Pittsburgh. On April 10<sup>th</sup>, Mai Khoi & the Dissidents will be performing their album. On May 1<sup>st</sup>, the Library is celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a performance with Indestructible. Tickets will be available soon. The next newsletter will be coming out soon. Library Giving Day is coming up on April 1<sup>st</sup>. This is a national day of giving for libraries across the country.

**Sam Bigham, Executive Director of CCDC** – We have a new business opening up called the Wandering Fish Society on Main Street. This was started by Bonnie and Bill Stewart who are animators from California. It will be an art studio filled with toys and gifts. Its very cool inside and I encourage everyone to check it out. They will have regular hours once they have their grand opening. They are in what used to be Modern Mercantile. Tiger Moth Mercantile is opening on March 20<sup>th</sup>. This used to be East Main Mercantile but was sold to Mike who owns Woolly Bear Books & Gifts. We have a new law firm opening up in town called Penn & Webb at 20 East Main Street. They will be sharing the space with Shannon Law Group, and their ribbon cutting will be this Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm.

Duran's has announced they will no longer allow smoking inside the bar and lounge. Hopefully, this will bring more people who would have been discouraged from coming down. Lucatino is doing well, he will be on one of the food networks doing a demonstration.

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

**Jason Czajkowski (29 Swallow Hill Road)** – I have lived here in Carnegie with my wife for almost 15 years. We lived just across the street from the Boys & Girls Club. We own a third of a lot on Swallow Hill Road, which is surrounded by trees, we live next to Mr. Freshwater. Our neighborhood is overrun by deer. They dig into our shrubs and hit our cars. We found two ticks on our young child. I should have come to the Council before this, I know this is not the first time you have heard this. This is an escalating issue. Shortly after we moved into Carnegie, our dog tested positive for Lyme. Our backyard is covered in feces, we are seeing 15 deer in the yard at a time. I just ask that Council see what options there are, I brought some information for what the state is doing. We do not want to move, but it is something we will have to consider.

**COMMENT:** Council President Boyd added that there is a resident not that far from Mr. Czajkowski is having a similar issue. During hunting season, you can harvest deer, but you cannot use a gun, it has to be archery, and you cannot be no less than 100 feet from an occupied building. The Game Commission has rules with regard to hunting deer in populated areas, but the tricky thing is that there are very few places in the Borough that meet all of the standards. It has to be a

licensed hunter with their tags as well. The resident that went this route had 8 deer taken from their lot. He had shown me a video of deer on his porch eating his plants.

**COMMENT:** Mr. Czajkowski added that they have videos of the deer on their property and playing in their pool. There are deer feces everywhere.

**COMMENT:** Denis Dewey (1004 Forsythe Road) – I had several contractors on my property, and they commented that they had never seen so much deer feces. Its horrendous, we have 5-6 deer that sit in our backyard every day and they all have babies now. They come up between my car and my garage, and they ate all my plants. Something needs to be done.

**COMMENT:** Council President Boyd added that if you can get your neighbors together and work something out, that would be a solution. But the 100 feet rule is for a safety zone. The resident that had the deer removed will not be doing it again because it did not make a big difference. The deer go where there's food and if you take one hundred deer out of Carnegie, another one hundred will still come in. It is not a Carnegie problem, it is a County problem. There is not a way to prevent them from coming back in. I watched them in my yard this morning. I wish we had a fix; we have looked at it multiple times.

**COMMENT:** Councilperson Sue Demko added that she talked with someone from Lowes because the deer were eating her tulips. The employee said to use a spray and it did work.

**COMMENT:** Councilperson Lee also uses a product in his yard. It seems to help a little bit. You can get it at Home Depot or Lowes.

**COMMENT:** Sgt. Seaman added that there were around 20 deer killed along Forsythe Road.

## 11. Council Good and Welfare

**Councilperson DiPietro** – With the warm weather, the little ones will be out on their bikes and skateboards. Be careful and keep an eye out.

**Councilperson Canan** – Thank you to Marlee and the Library for their kid's programs. I wanted to highlight that on Wednesdays, their kid's playtime on the second floor starts at 11am and it is a blast. The Mayor and I had the opportunity to attend a lunch at Carnegie Elementary. We discussed getting involved in local government and how it works, but also the future of Carnegie. There were lots of good questions and it made me really hopeful about Carnegie.

**Councilperson D'Loss** – The Spring holidays will be here before our next meeting, so enjoy Easter, Passover, and whatever else you are celebrating.

**Councilperson Lee** – I was privileged to participate in Family Reading Night at Carnegie Elementary School on Friday. It was a terrific event and when I was talking with two students, they informed me that we need to get the sidewalk near Washington Gardens fixed. Our next meetings are on April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm and then April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**Council President Boyd** – We are accepting bids right now for garbage removal. We could have a new garbage hauler starting in July. I will be shocked if its not ridiculously more expensive based on what we have heard from other communities. I would anticipate an increase in cost. Independence Day at Carnegie Park will be celebrated on July 3<sup>rd</sup> this year. We do that to save money on fireworks, and we get better people to do the work.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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