



CARNEGIE BOROUGH PUBLIC MEETING (via Zoom)

Monday, September 14th, 2020

**Workshop Meeting Start @ 6:00 PM / Voting Meeting Start @ 7:00 PM
Call Meeting to Order / Moment of Silence / Pledge of Allegiance**

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Councilperson Boyd – Present, Councilperson DiPietro – Present, Councilperson Freshwater – Present, Councilperson Popichak – Present, Councilperson D’Loss – Present, Council President Demko – Present, Mayor Riley – Present

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LISTED MOTIONS

ADMINISTRATION (Councilperson Freshwater)

MOTION to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting on Monday, August 10th, 2020 and Thursday, August 20th, 2020.

Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to accept the 2021 Minimum Municipal Obligation Report for the Borough of Carnegie Uniform and Non-Uniform fund as submitted by the Borough Manager.

Seconded by Councilperson D’Loss – Vote: ROLL CALL UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

MOTION to execute a three (3) year Lease Agreement between the Borough of Carnegie and Visvero Inc. 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 D’Loss – Vote: ROLL CALL UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

FINANCE (Councilperson Boyd)

**MOTION to approve the September 2020 Bill List and Bill List Addendum.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: ROLL CALL UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2020-15, a resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, accepting and incorporating the fee schedule of Plans Examiners (3rd Party Review Agency) for all building code review and permit matters.
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: ROLL CALL UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC WORKS (Councilperson D’Loss)

**MOTION to accept the bid submitted by JD’s Landscaping and Trucking, Inc. for the 2020 Campbells Run Stream Debris Removal Project in the amount of \$45,000.00 (Contract No. 2020-03)
Seconded by Councilperson DiPietro – Vote: ROLL CALL UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC SAFETY (Councilperson Popichak)

**MOTION to advertise borough Ordinance 2470 an ordinance of the Borough of Carnegie, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of PA, amending chapter 15, section 108 of the Borough Code of Ordinances relating to motor vehicles and traffic that will be one way from East Main Street to Mansfield Boulevard along Sansbury Street.
Seconded by Councilperson DiPietro – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (Councilperson DiPietro)

**MOTION to approve the application of Brian Shannon and Dean Stewart (The Dog Stop) for the conditional use development of a Kennel to be located at 207 Mansfield Boulevard (Lot and Block 103-H-176 / D3-Arterial Zoning District).
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to approve the application of Cody Clarke and Lauren Breslin for the conditional use development of a Mixed-Use (Garden Apartment/Apartments/Offices) located at 537 E. Main Street (Lot and Block 66-A-274).
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION to approve the application of NSC Properties, LLC for the lot consolidation of Lot and Blocks 103-D-126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 137, 138, and 139 as recommended by the Planning Commission on August 25th, 2020 (Pending Allegheny County Review).
Seconded by Councilperson Popichak – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration – nothing for this evening.

Finance – last week we presented our update on finances. Real estate taxes were far behind. The Earned Income Tax is ahead of where we typically are. The LST wage tax is behind. Thinking there is a glitch with the County. Last week we received a \$638,000 deposit, which now puts us a little over 80% year to date on the real estate tax collections. Steve will be following up with Jordan Tax Service to get some insight on the LST and EIT.

Code Enforcement and Community Development – nothing for this evening.

Public Works - Paving will begin on Lincoln Ave and Arch St. on or about September 14. A notice to proceed was issued to W. A. Petrakis Contracting for October 1, 2020, for the Broadway Street storm sewer project. The first phase is boring under Mansfield Blvd. We considered paving Chartiers St this summer using Street Opening funds. However, the cost exceeds what we have in that fund. Therefore, we will include it in the paving plan for 2021. The borough received a grant for cleaning debris from the creek along Campbell's Run Road. This evening the Borough awarded that contract to JD's Landscaping and Trucking for \$45,000. The Borough is obligated to a 15% match for this grant. Last month, our Public Works Department replaced the damaged sidewalk on the Main St. Bridge. Now that the concrete is completely dried, they've applied sealer to the concrete to improve its resistance to the weather. Public Works also applied crack sealer to various paved lots, including the PNC parking lot, the municipal building parking lot, Veterans Way, and the walking trail around Carnegie Park. New decorative stop signs were installed in two locations on Main St. One at Chartiers St. (PNC Bank) and one at Elk St.

Public Safety – nothing for this evening.

President's Report – nothing for this evening.

MANAGER'S REPORT – grants that have been submitted and we are waiting for decisions on: Walk Works Complete Streets Grant and the Covid-19 Fresh Food Financing Initiative Grant. The decision dates for both of these grants have been extended. Another item in the works is a Junior Council Program through the PA State Association of Boroughs. Currently we have two college age students that are interested and we have reached out to Carlynton High School to see if there is any interest. The Farmers Market is continuing to go forward. Please check our website each week for the vendors attending.

CARNEGIE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. & EMS REPORT – for the month of August there were 20 fire calls and 116 ambulance calls.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Police Dept. Activity for August 2020: Criminal Arrests and Citations – 11; Traffic Citations -9; Traffic Stops - 16; Parking Tickets - 83; Complaints and Self-Initiated Activity – 736.

September events: Carnegie Farmers Market is on Sundays from noon to 3 p.m. at the East Main Street parking lot. This has been a huge success this year. Hoping it is voted in the top 3 for farmers markets in the Pittsburgh area. Open Air Carnegie 2.0 is happening on Saturdays from

11 a.m. to 7 p.m. in September through October 3rd. Many of our restaurants and retailers are participating. Please don't forget to wear your mask and social distance in accordance with the State and CDC Guidelines.

The Carnegie Boys and Girls Clubhouse will now be open during the day from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to assist with virtual school work and to provide engaging and enriching programming. The Club is offering a variety of full day and hybrid options to meet the needs of local families. This has been organized in a safe setting which allows the students to learn remotely. There is a fee for this program however financial assistance is available.

The Carlynton School District has made some changes to their meal program. All students 18 and under can pick up a free breakfast and lunch at both Carnegie and Crafton Elementary between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Voting by mail is an option in Pennsylvania. It's an easy, convenient and secure way to cast your ballot. If you apply by 5 p.m. on October 27th and return your ballot by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3rd your vote will be counted. Please vote early and do not wait for the deadlines.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Maggie Forbes – Carnegie Library – Library sent an email regarding Halloween and is planning an event for October 17th. This would be a lot of fall craft activities for the younger children and would be held in the driveway of the library. People will need to preregister for this event so we can prepare accordingly using CDC guidelines. Also discussed sign posts that have been removed and stumps have been left behind. This is dangerous and would like this looked into.

COUNCIL GOOD AND WELFARE

Councilperson Popichak – raved about the Farmers Market. Kudos to Deneen and Steve. Has received a lot of positive feedback.

Councilperson Boyd – attended the Farmers Market as well. Spent some time with the Quantum folks and the guys from Maestro. Because of the article in the paper about them, they had their best day ever and two of their sauces were sold out. It's a great event for our community. As for repurposing some of the lamp posts in town, our DPW workers are trying to fix them by hand. If we could find room in the budget for a small sand blast cabinet, it would serve us well long term with some of the projects. One of the takeaways from the last meeting, I was going to speak to the young man who puts haunted houses together. The general consensus in the industry, haunted houses aren't going to happen this year. It's not possible to have good air flow and stay within CDC guidelines. Having a haunted trail concept seems to be becoming popular for this year. There are certain things being recommended about what not to do. The real key to having a successful trail is to set the things up so that people don't have to touch things on the trail.

Councilperson Freshwater – after our meeting last week regarding making Sansbury a one way street, I agree that for the safety of the pedestrians that this is the right move to make.

Councilperson D’Loss – Been getting calls about the integrity of mail in ballots to vote in the upcoming election. People can go to www.votespa.com and it will tell you if you are on the list to receive a mail-in ballot. Most of the counties are trying to send out the ballots at least 4 weeks before the election. If you receive a ballot in the mail and decide to vote in person, take the ballot with you and give it to the poll worker.

Councilperson DiPietro – shout out to Joanne for the Open Air 2.0! It was a very successful day and was covered on the news. Can’t wait until we start meeting in person again.

Council President Demko – has spoken to many people regarding the Open Air 2.0 and the response is positive! The businesses owners are doing well and are happy. Are we all on board with Halloween (trick or treating)? Council is on board. Discussion started regarding the Haunted Trail and whether or not to have it during the pandemic. Would like Council’s input on this. Suggested by Councilperson DiPietro to pass on the Haunted Trail.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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www.carnegieborough.com*