

Monday, August 10th, 2026

Workshop Meeting Start @ 5:30 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 July 13th, 2026. Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

    b) **MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2026-16, a Resolution of the Borough of Carnegie, Allegheny County, PA, requesting grant funding in the amount of $350,000.00 from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County (RAAC) for the Carnegie Borough East/West Main Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project. Seconded by Councilperson Canan – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
        A. Gaming Economic Development Tourism Fund (GEDTF) Grant Program

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

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

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

    a) **MOTION to authorize payment to W.A. Petrakis Contracting in the amount of $13,000.00 for the Irishtown Park Improvement Project. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**
        A. Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program (GTRP) Grant.

    b) **MOTION to amend the agenda for Motion 3c) to include the updated amount of $97,413.07. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

    c) **MOTION to authorize Pay Application No. 4 from Grit Industries in the amount of $97,413.07 for the Irishtown Sewer Separation Project (Contract No. 2025- 02). Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

<u>COMMENT:</u> Councilperson Lee explained that the agenda was completed before we had the final number.

d) **MOTION to permit the Carnegie Boys & Girls Club to utilize 7th Avenue Field every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (6:00 PM to 8:00 PM) and every Saturday (9:00 AM to 3:00 PM) from September 8th, 2026, to October 31st, 2026, for the Boys & Girls Club Flag Football Program. Seconded by Councilperson Canan – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

e) **MOTION to permit the Carlynton Youth Soccer Association to use the Carnegie Park All Purpose Field from August 24th, through November 1st, 2026, Monday through Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and Sunday 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Seconded by Councilperson D'Loss – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

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

a) **MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2026-17, 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 546 Hulton Street (102-A-273). Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

b) **MOTION to adopt Resolution No. 2026-18, 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 636 Library Avenue (102-D-272). Seconded by Councilperson Lee – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

5. Code Enforcement and Community Development (Councilperson DiPietro (Mayor Bigham)) Read by Councilperson Canan

a) **MOTION to authorize the closure of E. Main Street between Pine Street and Mary Street on Saturday, August 29th, 2026, from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM for the 2026 Carnegie Arts Walk. Seconded by Councilperson Demko – Vote: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED**

6. Committee Reports

a) **Administration – Nothing for this evening.**

b) **Finance – Its almost time to start talking budget. We will be advertising the public meeting dates soon and we invite everyone to come down to the meetings.**

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 July 2026, there were 41 fire calls and 139 ambulance calls. There was an incident at the Dog Park where two dogs got into a fight and**

the owner attempted to break it up and was injured. This person had to go to the hospital. When dogs get together and are unattended, people can get hurt. If something does happen, let us know and call 911. We have an officer retiring this month, we wish him the best in retirement. At this point we are still going through applications to find a suitable replacement.

f) President's Report – Nothing for this evening.

7. <u>Manager's Report –</u> We are working on applying for several grants. One application is for Phase II of the East/West Main Street Bridge through the Char-West COG and the Gaming and Economic Development and Tourism Fund. Phase I is out for bid and we anticipate getting more information on this later in the month.

Another grant is through Powered and Prepared, which is for a generator at the Borough Building and this opens in September. We are also looking into the Municipal Assistance Program (MAP) to cover the development of a new Comprehensive Plan. Our old Comprehensive Plan is from 2012 and we are hoping to get $60,000-70,000. Allegheny County will be hosting workshops for the Community Development Block Grant and Act 152 funding. These programs covered ADA parking and demolitions. Carnegie was recently awarded $68,000 to repair sidewalks along Main Street. We are waiting to receive the contract for this.

8. <u>Mayor's Report –</u> In July 2026, there were 5 criminal arrests and citations, 46 traffic stops (6 Forsythe Road), 20 traffic citations, 202 parking tickets, and 729 calls and self-initiated activity. Mayor Bigham read the Mayor's Monarch Pledge Proclamation. The Monarch Butterfly Festival will be held on Sunday, August 23rd during the Farmer's Market. There will be giveaways which include watering cans, globes, and native plants.

9. ACFLMH / CCDC Update

<u>ACFLMH –</u> Nothing for this evening.

<u>Sam Bigham, Executive Director of the CCDC –</u> The next Second Fridays event will be on August 14th starting at 5pm. The CCDC will be hosting a Fall Fest on Saturday, October 24th and a Winter Fest on Sunday, December 6th.

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

<u>Amy Bonham (250 Hidden Lane) –</u> Referenced the PA Department of Economic Development Borough Handbook regarding requirements for sharing communication and requests with Council. Ms. Bonham is upset with the lack of communication to residents from the Borough. In the dedication clause and on the engineer's certification on the E-Lane Plans, Findlay Township is mentioned. There's also no spot for the engineer's seal. This should have been dealt with in 2022. Ms. Bonham also mentioned that the development is a health hazard, and these questions and

concerns were discussed with the Borough Manager. I also received an email from Mr. Maslek this year, which is weird as he is no longer with us.

Gerry Riccardi (408 Grant Avenue) – There are young kids speeding by on the electric bikes and scooters. They are going to get seriously hurt, one was even weaving through traffic on West Main Street. Also, what can be done about the geese? They hold up traffic.

COMMENT: Chief Kennedy added that if you see this happening, to call 911 so they can be stopped by an officer and potentially cited. This is a statewide issue and is impacting every community.

COMMENT: Councilperson Demko said she is looking into the geese issue. A child was attacked by one and the statues in the parking lots do not work.

Kim Kennedy (636 Library Avenue) – There is a common way between her property and the neighbor's and is owned by the Borough. It's beginning to wash away over the hillside, is there a way to get rock or pavement in that area? It would be an extension of Capitol Drive, and the apartment tenants use it to park.

COMMENT: The Borough Solicitor said the alley is a paper street and would therefore be the responsibility of the abutting property owners. Send an email to the Borough Manager and we can look into it further.

11. Council Good and Welfare

Councilperson Canan – The Library is hosting their End of Summer Celebration on Saturday, August 15th from 11am-1pm. This is an outdoor event, but their elevator is up and running again. Thank you, Officer Schmeltz, for his hard work and years of service.

Councilperson Demko – The Trail of Terror at Carnegie Park is going to be starting up again. We are always looking for volunteers.

Councilperson D'Loss – The kids are heading back to school, drive carefully.

Councilperson Lee – Nothing for this evening.

President Boyd – Nothing for this evening.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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