

Borough of Carlisle
Council Workshop Meeting Minutes
April 30th, 2025
6:00 PM

Present at the meeting: Mayor Shultz, Deputy Mayor Landis, Councilors Mellen, Perry, Roos, Shiles, and Stuby. Also present were Borough Manager Armstrong, Assistant Borough Manager Juday, Finance Director Cohen, Sustainable Community and Economic Planning Director Woolston, Public Information Coordinator Taylor, and Borough Secretary Blair.

I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

- A. Mayor Shultz called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Citizens to be Heard

- A. John Werner of 133 W. High St reiterated his support for the Welcoming City Ordinance, and indicated that both Lancaster, PA and Elizabethtown, PA have expressed interest in signing on with ICE to be deputized in effort to carry out deportations. To which Mayor Shultz made it clear that the Sheriff's Department are independent offices, and in Carlisle a decision such as that would have to be approved through the Borough Manager and Council. He concluded that due to many legal constraints it was not going to happen in the Borough.
- B. Tina Ziegler of 120 E Louther indicated that it was reassuring to hear that Carlisle Police Officers will not be deputized to assist in ICE deportations.

III. Presentations

The following Outside Agencies gave a short presentation for the purpose of obtaining additional funding by the Borough for local community-related services.

C. Outside Agencies

- I. Bluegrass on the Grass Festival-Davis Tracy
- II. Carlisle Community Coalition-Jordan Stasyszyn
- III. Carlisle Summerfair-Russ Yinger
- IV. Central PA Annual HBCU College & Workforce Fair-Doreen Wilbur
- V. Community Empowerment Services-Michael Eskridge
- VI. Craighead House Committee Corporation-Lu Conser
- VII. Hope Station-Rogette Harris
- VIII. Lamberton Community Garden-Mariana Past
- IX. Project SHARE-Lisa Maddox
- X. Regain Your Life-Michelle Smith
- XI. Shakespeare Page to Stage-Sue Biondo-Hench

Mayor Shultz and Borough Council members commented separately on the importance of each, what they mean to the community, and how intertwined they are to accomplish the goals of the Borough.

IV. Meeting Minutes

- A. Borough Council voted 7-0 to approve the April 2, 2025, Public Hearing and Workshop Meeting Minutes. (Mellen/Landis)

V. Sustainable Community & Economic Planning

- A. Jared Woolston, Director of Sustainable Community & Economic Planning, provided an overview of the historical changes to the Borough, how it has affected the marketplace, and the process moving forward in relation to new projects with consideration of historic preservation and property maintenance.

He continued with the latest neighborhood evaluation, outlining how zoning had changed over the years, where the neighborhood businesses once were, what remains, and the changes in right of way throughout.

Mayor Shultz mentioned what a gradual march forward the Borough has experienced with such a lasting impact by the decisions that have been made.

Councilor Perry praised the work of the Land Use Reform Committee, appreciating those that serve, thanked Jared for asking her to serve, and said that she looks forward to the meetings.

Councilor Shiles inquired about the setbacks and how they would affect the sidewalks.

Mr. Woolston added that Carlisle has a lot of important and unique buildings, that some of the buildings are right up against the sidewalk with no room to maneuver and highlighted some of the challenges in providing a solution.

VI. New Business**VII. Public Comment****VIII. Adjournment**

There being no further comment, new business or public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53pm.

Sean M. Shultz, Mayor

Patricia Blair, Borough Secretary