

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014**

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law, notification of this meeting has been sent to our official newspapers and other publications circulated in the Borough of Old Tappan, and notice posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall.

Please note fire exits located at the main entrance to the Council Chambers and in the rear of the Council Chambers.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL	Mayor Victor Polce	Present
	Councilman Ronald Binaghi, Jr.	Present
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Present
	Councilman Victor Cioce	Present
	Councilwoman Anna Haverilla	Present
	Councilman John Kramer	Present
	Councilman Matthew Nalbandian	Present

Also Present	Borough Clerk Jean M. Donch
	Borough Attorney Allen Bell

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRAYER – Councilman Guy Carnazza

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilman Binaghi

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

RESOLUTION

Traffic Light Installation Request – Intersection of Old Tappan Road & Orangeburg Road

Councilman Kramer read the resolution

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
	Councilman Kramer	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes

Resolution Adopted (see page 7)

CONSENT RESOLUTION

Councilman Binaghi read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – Councilwoman Haverilla and Councilman Kramer abstained on Claims and Payroll

Resolution Adopted (see page 8)

ACTION ON MINUTES

Councilman Binaghi made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Closed Meeting, June 16, 2014
- Regular Meeting, June 16, 2014

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
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Councilman Carnazza	Yes
Councilman Cioce	Yes
Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
Councilman Kramer	Yes
Councilman Nalbandian	Yes

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – FINANCE / FIRE / HEALTH / LIBRARY

The library continues to be very active. They are actively working to solve the problems of through traffic in the parking lot and a noisy grate that a neighbor complained about. The library received \$16,500 in donations from the letters distributed to Borough residents. Board of Health - talking about having a “Walk with the Mayor” event as part of the Mayor’s Wellness Campaign. A representative from Rite Aid Pharmacy attended a Board of Health meeting and offered special senior discounts when utilizing a wellness 65+ discount card.

COUNCILMAN KRAMER – POLICE / HISTORICAL / SENIORS

A grand opening ceremony for the new Senior Center was held on July 19th. The Senior Advisory Committee will not hold meetings in July and August. A Lunch & Learn is scheduled for October 9th. The annual holiday party is planned for December 11th. Police – pertaining to parking on Leonard Drive, the Police Chief may make some recommendations. Councilman Kramer commented that he attended a concert in the park last week and he enjoyed it. Alliance Committee meetings will start in September. The Borough’s Court Administrator has accepted a new full time position. Applications for replacements will be accepted.

Councilman Kramer advised that an email was received from Councilman Cioce dated May 23.

Councilman Cioce left the dais.

Councilman Kramer read the email pertaining to traffic at the school near the corner of Charles Place and in the vicinity of where Councilman Cioce lives. In his email, Councilman Cioce asked that the matter of drop off and pick up of children and the traffic jams caused be addressed. Councilman Kramer advised that the Police Committee met and the matter was discussed with the Police Chief who was aware of the Charles Place school traffic issue. Two police vehicles were assigned to monitor the area. Discussion ensued on the placement of signs and how to make the traffic flow safer. Suggestions included prohibiting parking on the east side of Charles Place. When school begins have a police officer there to monitor the situation.

A meeting will be held with the new school superintendent, the Police Chief and the Police Committee to review recommendations to resolve the matter.

Councilman Cioce returned to the dais.

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / DPW / SAFETY

The DPW is doing a good job. Recreation Commission – 147 kids played summer basketball. Grants are being looked into to fund a new basketball court where the current bocce ball court is located.

COUNCILWOMAN HAVERILLA – FIRST AID / TECHNOLOGY

The First Aid Corps meets this evening. They are filling out an online dispatch services application.

A meeting was held with representatives to discuss the sign ordinance. Recommendations included:

- a business having a grand opening
- add houses of worship allowing banners and temporary signs
- charities whose principle office is located in Old Tappan
- 21 days maximum
- change length of banner from 60 ft. to 30 ft.

Allen Bell will draft an ordinance for review.

COUNCILMAN CIOCE – PLANNING / ENVIRONMENTAL / BUILDING

The July Planning Board meeting was cancelled. Environmental – a Tobacco Free for a Healthy New Jersey handout was distributed this evening. Representative Albert Ferria was present for any questions. There are smoke free signs in school zones. Mr. Ferria is seeking to place 100 % smoke free signs in Borough parks. A sample proposed draft ordinance will be prepared by Allen Bell for review and consideration.

COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – GOLF / EDUCATION / GRANTS / ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

New sand is being added to traps at the Golf Course. The Par Bar and Grill is doing well. Arts & Entertainment concerts in the park began. A complaint was made about dogs in Oakes Park without leashes and owners not picking up after their dogs.

OLD BUSINESS

Borough Attorney Allen Bell reported that 54 tax appeals were before the County Tax Board. Approximately one-half were tried and one-half were dismissed.

NEW BUSINESS

Credit Card Fees & Golf Registrations

Chief Financial Officer, Rebecca Overgaard met with a representative of Oritani Bank. Due to an increased use of credit cards at the Golf Course, she is recommending that a 2 ½ % convenience fee be charged to credit card users. Currently the fee has been paid by the Borough. Allen Bell will draft an ordinance that will be reviewed by the Golf Commission.

Ordinance 1071-14 – Amend Parking Ordinance – Charles Place – Resolution of Introduction

Councilman Kramer read the resolution.

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

Resolution of Introduction Passed (see page 26)

Ordinance 1072-14 – Amend Stopping & Standing Ordinance – Old Tappan Road – Resolution of Introduction

Councilman Kramer explained that the Borough Attorney prepared 2 versions of this ordinance:

1. to amend stopping & standing between Washington Avenue and Central Avenue and,
2. to amend stopping & standing on both sides of Old Tappan Road for its entire length

The Council was polled and selected to amend stopping & standing between Washington Avenue and Central Avenue.

Councilman Kramer read the resolution

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – None

Resolution of Introduction Passed (see page 28).

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed and approved

Sylvia Kokowski, Recording Secretary

Jean M. Donch
Borough Clerk

cc: Mayor and Council
Allen Bell, Esq.

Date Approved: August 18, 2014