

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
January 22, 2019**

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.**

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Mayor John Kramer	Present
	Councilman Ronald Binaghi, Jr.	Present
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Present
	Councilman Victor Cioce	Present
	Councilman Thomas Gallagher	Present
	Councilwoman Anna Haverilla	Present
	Councilman Matthew Nalbandian	Present

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

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**PRAYER** – Councilman Victor Cioce

**PROCLAMATIONS**

**3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Soccer Team**

Mayor Kramer read the proclamation congratulating the coaches and players of the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Soccer Team

**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Soccer Team**

Mayor Kramer read the proclamation congratulating the coaches and players of the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Soccer Team

**PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

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

Bill Howe, 42 Forest Avenue, spoke about Eagle Scouts and Girl Scout Gold Award recipients. He is seeking consideration of the Mayor and Council for the purchase and placement of an 80 person wall plaque, two foot by three foot, to be placed somewhere inside Borough Hall in honor of the achievements of these scouts. Councilman Nalbandian suggested an outside monument be placed at one of the parks so everyone can see it. Discussion ensued. Either idea was accepted by the Mayor and Council.

Motion to approve an inside plaque or outside monument for the scouts – Councilman Gallagher

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

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

Cathy Ryan, 121 Howard Drive, read a letter from concerned residents on Howard Drive. The complaint was that a house was built on wetlands and construction caused ground water to come onto the neighbor’s property that apparently has not happened before. Borough Engineer Thomas Skrable commented that all approvals were made by the NJDEP. Pipes have been installed to help alleviate the water problem.

Rocco Donofrio, 117 Howard Drive, commented that he has lived there for 50 years and there has never been a water problem; he added that the pipes will not be effective.

Councilman Nalbandian recommended having representatives from the NJDEP and Bergen County Soil Conservation meet with the homeowners to discuss the matter. Thomas Skrable will set up a meeting.

Bill Howe, 42 Forest Avenue, asked if there was something that can be done about Belgium blocks covered with tarps for the past 2 years at 34 Forest Avenue. The Council will have the appropriate Borough office personnel look into this.

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilman Gallagher

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

**STAFF APPOINTMENT**

**Diane Frohlic – Land Use Board Secretary**

Motion to accept the Mayor’s recommendation – Councilman Gallagher

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

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

**CONSENT RESOLUTION**

Councilman Nalbandian read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Gallagher

Discussion – Councilman Binaghi abstained on Claims and Payroll. Councilman Binaghi asked that Shared Services Agreement – Woodcliff Lake be pulled for discussion.

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

Resolution Adopted (see page 11)

**Shared Services Agreement – Woodcliff Lake**

Councilman Binaghi questioned the success of the Old Tappan Golf Course / Woodcliff Lake Swimming Pool shared service. He was reminded that it was agreed to keep the agreement for

one more year.

Motion to accept the Shared Services Agreement – Woodcliff Lake – Councilman Binaghi

Second – Councilman Carnazza

Discussion – None

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

Resolution Adopted (see page 14)

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Borough Engineer Thomas Skrable reported as follows:

Met with the Borough Administrator and DPW Superintendent to discuss the 2019 Road Program. He will provide a list of the roads proposed for budget discussion. Waiting for quotes on the Oakes Park gazebo.

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – DPW / CONSTRUCTION**

The DPW has not received their new truck yet. When sewers were installed, some homes required ejector pumps. If the pump fails, it is generally the responsibility of the DPW, however, some homeowners are disposing of things, like grease into the sewer system. We should inform homeowners that if things are in the pumps that should not be, then they will be held responsible.

### **COUNCILMAN CIOCE – ENVIRONMENTAL / LIBRARY / HISTORICAL**

The Environmental Commission is working on an ordinance to ban plastic bags. New York and New Jersey may consider a state wide ban. The Earth Fair will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup>. They are thinking about expanding the Community Garden which will be a budget discussion. Hooked on Fishing will be held June 8<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Gallagher, pertaining to Historical Committee, mentioned that the time capsule is due to be opened towards the end of this year.

**COUNCILWOMAN HAVERILLA – POLICE / SAFETY / SENIORS**

The Police Committee will meet with the PBA to discuss their contract. Seniors will hold Lunch and Learns on April 25<sup>th</sup>, June 13<sup>th</sup>, and October 10<sup>th</sup>. Their Holiday Party is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup>. Municipal Alliance will meet on June 13<sup>th</sup>.

**COUNCILMAN GALLAGHER – PLANNING / ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT / FIRST AID**

The Planning Board held their reorganization meeting. They will hear the 184 Central Avenue application for an Assisted Living Facility. The committee will meet next week to discuss Concerts in the Park. The First Aid officers are looking forward to meeting with the Borough to discuss their budget. They held a drill last Wednesday.

**COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / GOLF / HEALTH**

The Recreation Commission held their reorganization meeting. John Brophy will stay on as an alternate. There was a nice turnout for soccer proclamations this evening. Golf Commission held their reorganization meeting. They discussed memberships; only have two members under the age of 35. Board of Health was happy to have Councilman Carnazza back as liaison.

**COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – FINANCE / FIRE / SCHOOLS / ADMINISTRATION**

A budget meeting is scheduled on Thursday. Our Borough Administrator will retire this year. We are accepting applications until February 1<sup>st</sup>. The local school board has a negative number in their budget this year.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

Mayor Kramer attended a Teachers Professional Day yesterday. He met with the new school board president. Some towns have been talking about Cyber Ware Security Systems and serious issues.

**ACTION ON MINUTES**

Councilman Nalbandian made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Reorganization Meeting, January 2, 2019, 1<sup>st</sup> Half
- Reorganization Meeting, January 2, 2019, 2<sup>nd</sup> Half

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes

Councilman Cioce	Yes
Councilman Gallagher	Yes
Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
Councilman Nalbandian	Yes

**OLD BUSINESS**

Councilman Gallagher commented on the recently passed marijuana ordinance and the existing ordinance that prohibits smoking in Borough Parks. Brief discussion ensued.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**No Knock List**

Mayor Kramer asked that this be carried to the February meeting.

**Ordinance 1138-19 – Bonding Ordinance Amendment – Resolution of Introduction**

Councilman Gallagher read the resolution

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

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

Resolution of Introduction passed (see page 17)

**Ordinance 1139-19 – Amend Golf Course Fees – Resolution of Introduction**

Councilman Carnazza read the resolution

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes

Councilman Gallagher	Yes
Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
Councilman Nalbandian	Yes

Resolution of Introduction passed (see page 19)

**Ordinance 1140-19 – Amend 2018 Salary Ordinance – Resolution of Introduction**

Councilman Gallagher read the resolution

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

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

Resolution of Introduction passed (see page 21)

**PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

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

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilman Gallagher

Discussion - None

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

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Kokowski, Recording Secretary

cc: Mayor and Council  
Allen Bell, Esq.

Reviewed and approved:

Jean M. Donch  
Borough Clerk

Date Approved: February 19, 2019