

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
May 20, 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.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor John Kramer	Present
	Councilman Ronald Binaghi, Jr.	Present
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Present
	Councilman Victor Cioce	Present
	Councilman Thomas Gallagher	Absent
	Councilman Matthew Nalbandian	Present
	Councilwoman Jin Yhu	Present

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

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO COUNCILMAN JIN YHU BY MAYOR JOHN M. KRAMER

Mayor Kramer administered the oath of office to Councilman Jin Yhu.

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.

Wendy Bajakian, Norwood – teacher in Closter and Theresa Womble, Old Tappan resident were

present seeking safety and security guards at NVOT similar to what is provided at NVD. Discussion ensued. The Mayor and Council will look into the request.

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Binaghi

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

PROCLAMATION

NVOT Boys Varsity Golf Team

Mayor Kramer read the proclamation congratulating the coaches and players of the NVOT Boys Varsity Golf Team.

APPOINTMENTS

Alice Germakian – Senior Advisory Committee – Unexpired 2-year term ending 12/31/19

Motion to accept the Mayor's appointment – Councilman Yhu

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

2019 Green Team Advisory Committee

Motion to accept the Mayor's appointments – Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ordinance 1149-19 – Affordable Housing – Pearson Property– Resolution of Adoption

Motion to postpone to June 17th meeting – Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion - None

Roll Call	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

Councilman Binaghi and Councilman Nalbandian are not eligible to vote.

Ordinance 1150-19 – Affordable Housing Mandatory Set-Aside Ordinance – Resolution of Adoption

Councilman Carnazza described the ordinance and then made a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

Councilman Carnazza read the resolution

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

Ordinance 1151-19 – Amend Sewer Service Charges – Resolution of Adoption

Councilman Binaghi described the ordinance and then made a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion - None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

Councilman Binaghi read the resolution

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

Ordinance 1152-19 – Amend 2019 Salary Ordinance – Resolution of Adoption

Councilman Carnazza described the ordinance and then made a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

Councilman Carnazza read the resolution

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

CONSENT RESOLUTION

Councilman Nalbandian read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Carnazza

Discussion – Councilman Nalbandian inquired about Green Building Practices for Civic, Commercial and Residential Buildings. Borough Administrator Haverilla explained that this is a requirement of the Green Team in their effort to achieve Bronze status with Sustainable NJ.

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

RESOLUTION

Utility & Energy Billing Audit

Councilman Binaghi read the resolution.

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – DPW / CONSTRUCTION

A letter was received from a resident commending the DPW for the removal of junk in front of their home. The resident commented on the great service they have received in the 40 years they have lived in Old Tappan. A letter was received from Mr. Trout who works in Englewood that they are looking into planning a regional seminar about deer management. Councilman Yhu offered to attend when it is scheduled.

COUNCILMAN CIOCE – ENVIRONMENTAL / LIBRARY / HISTORICAL

Due to lack of a quorum, the Library meeting was rescheduled and held on May 15th. The Environmental Commission meets tomorrow evening. The 125th Anniversary Committee has been having a lot of discussion for the scheduling activities. A 5K Run is also a planned activity for the event. The New Jersey League of Municipalities provided a cannabis information sheet.

COUNCILMAN YHU – SAFETY / SENIORS / AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Councilman Yhu spoke with the DPW Superintendent who informed him that the quarterly Safety Committee report has been forwarded to the JIF. The committee is reviewing their commercial driver's license policy; their next meeting is June 19th. The Senior Advisory Committee meets on June 20th. Councilman Yhu is looking forward to working with the Borough Administrator on Community Development.

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / GOLF / HEALTH

Softball – Old Tappan 1 and Old Tappan 3 will play Old Tappan 2 in a rescheduled game at the beginning of June. The Golf Commission received a complaint from a resident pertaining to golf balls in her yard due to removal of trees on a Rockland Electric easement. The Board of Health discussed the measles outbreak and the SUEZ water lead pipes replacement. Councilman Carnazza advised the members to contact SUEZ if they require additional information.

COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – FINANCE / FIRE / SCHOOLS / ADMINISTRATION

Donna Geitz has resigned as the Police Department Secretary. Applications are being accepted for her replacement. The Fire Department has been discussing painting the truck room and striping of the parking lot; budgeting of funds has to be considered. Two grants they are looking into do not require matching funds from the Borough. Councilman Nalbandian reviewed each one.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Kramer congratulated and welcomed Councilman Yhu. Councilman Yhu responded that he is humbled and honored to be on the Council and expressed his gratitude to the Mayor and fellow Councilmembers.

ACTION ON MINUTES

Councilman Nalbandian made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Regular Meeting, April 15, 2019
- Closed Meeting, April 29, 2019
- Closed Meeting, May 6, 2019
- Special & Executive Meetings, May 6, 2019

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – Councilman Nalbandian abstained on all May 6, 2019 meetings. Councilman Yhu was not called.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

CDL Drug Testing Policy

Borough Attorney Allen Bell will review the policy.

Ordinance 1153-19 – Flood Damage Prevention – Resolution of Introduction

Councilman Binaghi read the resolution.

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

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Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion - None

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

No Public Comment

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Second – Councilman Carnazza

Discussion - None

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

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Binaghi

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: June 17, 2019