

BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
July 15, 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	Absent
	Councilman Thomas Gallagher	Present
	Councilman Matthew Nalbandian	Present
	Councilwoman Jin Yhu	Present

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

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRAYER – Councilman Thomas Gallagher

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.

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.

APPOINTMENT OF POLICE LIEUTENANT

Brett Terjanian

Mayor Kramer administered the Oath of Office to Police Lieutenant Brett Terjanian.

PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance 1154-19 – Amend Recreation Fees – 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 Binaghi

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 Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

CONSENT RESOLUTION

Councilman Nalbandian read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – None

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

ENGINEER’S REPORT

Street Opening – 1067 North Washington Avenue

North Washington Avenue Street Opening – Mr. Skrable is looking for guidance – PSE&G wants to replace the gas line but will abide by the decision of the town as the road was paved less than a year ago. Mr. Skrable said we can do a curb to curb opening which would be good for aesthetics. The Mayor and Council agreed to Mr. Skrable’s suggestion on the curb to curb opening.

He also reported that the 2019 road project went well and was under budget.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – DPW / CONSTRUCTION

The DPW is busy with summer work, cutting grass, checking irrigation systems and maintaining fields. We have a new Construction Official, Bob Rusch, who is working out well; we also have a new fire inspector. Mayor Kramer read a letter from a resident thanking the Fire Department, Ambulance Corps and the DPW for all that they do.

COUNCILMAN YHU – SAFETY / SENIORS / AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Met with the Safety Committee on June 19th. On June 20th met with the Senior Advisory Committee; he told them that we are here to assist them with fire detectors and transportation if they need our help. They do not meet in July and August. The Boy and Girl Scouts would like to get involved with our 125th Anniversary Event.

COUNCILMAN GALLAGHER – PLANNING / ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT / FIRST AID

The Summer Concert Series has begun. Councilman Gallagher thanked the DPW Superintendent and Borough Administrator for their assistance. A Planning Board meeting was held last Wednesday; no new applications were on the agenda. A First Aid meeting will be held on Wednesday; Councilman Gallagher will attend. For the months of May and June, the Ambulance Corps answered 100% of their calls. They are working with the Fire Department and Police Department on a Rescue Task Force Training Drill. Two EMT’s and three current EMT’s will graduate for a total of five.

Councilman Nalbandian suggested placing significant Planning Board applications on the town bulletin board to communicate to residents of the going's on. Discussion ensued.

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / GOLF / HEALTH

The Board of Health does not have meetings in July and August. The Golf Commission met and recommended renewal of the Golf Concession agreement. We have 139 registered for golf.

COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – FINANCE / FIRE / SCHOOLS / ADMINISTRATION

Tonight we promoted Brett Terjanian to Police Lieutenant. Police negotiations are on-going.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Kramer commented that the gazebo at Oakes Park has been painted and it is a great improvement.

Borough Attorney Allen Bell advised that the Borough of Old Tappan has been certified and therefore satisfied its COAH obligations.

ACTION ON MINUTES

Councilman Nalbandian made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Closed Meeting, June 17, 2019
- Regular Meeting, June 17, 2019

Second – Councilman Gallagher

Discussion – None

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

OLD BUSINESS

Rockland Electric – Tree Cutting – no discussion

CDL Drug Testing Policy

Motion to Table – Councilman Binaghi

Second – Councilman Gallagher

Discussion – Councilman Gallagher recommended that the Fire Department Chief and the EMS Captain review the policy.

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

RESOLUTION

Appoint Designated Employer Representatives

Councilman Binaghi read the resolution appointing the DPW Superintendent as the designated CDL Drug Testing Policy representative.

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

NEW BUSINESS

Off-Road Vehicles

Councilman Binaghi read a letter from a Churchill Road resident, Jim Boyer, pertaining to ATV and motorcycle use in residential areas. Councilman Binaghi advised that there had been past discussion on this subject in general. Jim Boyer came forward and explained where the vehicles were being used. Discussion ensued.

Golf Concession Agreement Renewal

Councilman Carnazza reported that the Golf Commission agreed to grant the renewal.

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Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

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No Public Comment

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Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

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

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Gallagher

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: August 19, 2019