

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
February 18, 2020**

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.	Absent
	Councilman William Boyce	Present
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Present
	Councilman Thomas Gallagher	Present
	Councilman Matthew Nalbandian	Present
	Councilman Jin Yhu	Present

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

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRAYER – Councilman Jin Yhu

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

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

Patches Maggaro, 4 Churchill Road, is seeking an update on the Chabad zoning issues. Councilman Gallagher responded that he spoke with the Zoning Officer who is reviewing the Planning Board’s resolution of approval; there is no conclusion yet. Ms. Maggaro asked if there are regulations that would monitor compliance. Borough Attorney Allen Bell responded that if the Zoning Officer received a complaint, in writing, he would investigate it. The resolution recognized that they would hold small religious services on Saturdays at 183 Old Tappan Road.

Maryellen LaFronz, 15 Kristin Place, pertaining to the Chabad at 183 Old Tappan Road asked

how a small religious service was defined. Borough Attorney Allen Bell responded that to his recollection, the resolution recognized that there would be small religious services on Saturdays. Ms. LaFronz stated that on the Chabad website it says religious instruction is offered at 183 Old Tappan Road on a weekly basis. Borough Attorney Allen Bell responded that you have to review what uses are permitted in the zone which the Zoning Officer is looking into. Religious uses are protected by Federal law. Concerns are being addressed with our Planner.

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 APPOINTMENTS

Lisa Krivoruk – Finance / DPW Accounts Payable Clerk

Motion to accept the appointment – Councilman Gallagher

Second – Councilman Yhu

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Absent
	Councilman Boyce	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

Victor Cioce and Adra Mayer – Substitute Crossing Guards

Motion to accept the Mayor's recommendation – Councilman Gallagher

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Absent
	Councilman Boyce	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

CONSENT RESOLUTION

Councilman Gallagher read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Yhu

Discussion – Councilman Nalbandian provided input on the Interlocal Shared Services Agreement – Mechanic

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Absent
	Councilman Boyce	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / HEALTH

At the Recreation Commission meeting, which Councilman Carnazza attended, he reported that Town Day, Tent Dance, Fireworks and registration for sports was discussed. He commented on a parent who has caused a problem for the second time at a game. The Board of Health meets tomorrow.

COUNCILMAN YHU – SCHOOLS / SENIORS

Councilman Yhu advised that he spoke with Dr. Sabatini from NVOT about the incident at a sporting event that Councilman Carnazza mentioned. Community Development – he will be attending a Municipal Innovation Summit at Bergen Community College on March 14th. He will be meeting with our Local Assistance Director to discuss future projects. Technology – met with the committee to discuss plans for a new website they hope to have it completed by mid-year.

COUNCILMAN BOYCE – GOLF / PLANNING BOARD / ENVIRONMENTAL

Planning Board – heard testimony from professionals pertaining to 200 Old Tappan Road. We are looking for members to join our golf course; a commercial that will be airing on channel 12. The Boy and Girl Scouts – Boy Scouts are working on their Eagle projects. The Environmental Commission meets next month.

COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – DPW / CONSTRUCTION

Councilman Nalbandian met with the Borough's Construction Code Official to discuss the dangerous intersection list where he mentioned other nuisance violations in town. He asked that we consider hiring a part time enforcement officer to oversee these types of violations throughout the town. DPW – we passed an interlocal shared services agreement tonight with Woodcliff Lake for our mechanic; this will be good for both towns. Our Recycling Coordinator has found ways for the

Borough to make money from recycled equipment.

COUNCILMAN GALLAGHER – FINANCE / FIRE / FIRST AID

The Finance Department is preparing our 2020 budget. Councilman Gallagher reported on incidences and calls with the First Aid Corps and Fire Department.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mayor Kramer performed a ribbon cutting ceremony on Sunday. He attended a Bergen County Mayor’s meeting and a Pascack Valley Mayor’s meeting. Private bussing is being discussed.

ACTION ON MINUTES

Councilman Gallagher made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Closed Meeting, January 21, 2020
- Regular Meeting, January 21, 2020
- Closed Meeting, February 3, 2020
- Regular & Executive Meetings, February 3, 2020

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Absent
	Councilman Boyce	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

OLD BUSINESS

30 Autumn Lane

Carried to the next meeting of the Mayor and Council

NEW BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion - None

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

Patches Maggaro would like to hear more about the proposed code enforcement officer reported by Councilman Nalbandian. Councilman Nalbandian explained if it is agreed to, it would be for violations having to do with commercial vehicles, boats parked in driveways for example.

Angela Torres, 45 Foxwood, commented on helping seniors if they need it. Councilman Boyce mentioned that the Boy and Girl Scouts can assist. Councilman Yhu suggested calling the Local Assistance Board if a senior is in need of help.

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Gallagher

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion - None

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

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

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, RMC
Borough Clerk

Date Approved: March 16, 2020