

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
October 19, 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.

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| ROLL CALL: | Mayor John Kramer | Present |
| | Councilman Ronald Binaghi, Jr. | Present |
| | Councilman William Boyce | Present |
| | Councilman Guy Carnazza | Present |
| | Councilman Thomas Gallagher | Present |
| | Councilman Matthew Nalbandian | Absent |
| | Councilman Jin Yhu | Present |

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| Also Present: | Borough Attorney Brian Giblin |
| | Borough Clerk Jean M. Donch, RMC |

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRAYER – Councilman William Boyce.

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

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Second – Councilman Binaghi

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

CONSENT RESOLUTION

Councilman Gallagher read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Carnazza

Discussion – None

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| Roll Call | Councilman Binaghi | Yes |
| | Councilman Boyce | Yes |
| | Councilman Carnazza | Yes |
| | Councilman Gallagher | Yes |
| | Councilman Yhu | Yes |

RESOLUTION

Developer's Agreement – 200 OTR LLC – Block 1606 – Lot 7

Councilman Boyce read the resolution

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – Councilman Gallagher advised that this is to clear up two items in the Developer's Agreement

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COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / HEALTH

Recreation Commission – all four fields are being used for soccer practice. Board of Health will meet on Wednesday; he will obtain a COVID-19 update.

COUNCILMAN YHU – SCHOOLS / SENIORS

Board of Education – Pascack Valley / Westwood is back to online learning due to Coronavirus cases. The High School has moved to Phase 2 of their Hybrid Model starting November 9th. Community Development – Ragamuffin Parade and Halloween Festival are cancelled due to Coronavirus. The Fire Department and First Aid Corps will have a Halloween drive-by to distribute candy to kids who are in front of their homes. There is a blood drive tomorrow at the fire house. At their last meeting, the library board questioned residency requirements for a board member. Borough Attorney Gibling advised that there are no requirements. Seniors are continuing their exercise

programs at Stone Point Park. Technology – the Borough has its own email marketing system up and running. The link to sign-up is on the Borough website.

COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – POLICE / AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Police Department – Councilman Binaghi received an email from Mayor Kramer which he read in part: The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) advised that our agency will receive an award this fiscal year. Mayor Kramer advised that we applied for funding. CFO Overgaard explained how the Borough receives the funding and also grant funding. Police personnel – one officer will be out due to an injury and one officer should be back in November. A new policy has been written on vacation and sick leave.

COUNCILMAN BOYCE – GOLF / PLANNING BOARD / ENVIRONMENTAL

The Golf Course Superintendent released the remaining 20% of his budget; Councilman Boyce reported what the Superintendent plans on using the money for. We are looking to have a good financial year. The agreement with the concessionaire has not been signed. Environmental Commission – Hooked on Fishing, held on October 17th, was a successful event. The Planning Board meeting was held in person, Councilman Boyce was not in attendance; Councilman Gallagher who was in attendance, provided an update. Councilman Boyce reported that the Boy and Girl Scouts are now having meetings.

COUNCILMAN GALLAGHER – FINANCE / FIRE / FIRST AID

Borough Hall administrative staff have been continuing education for credits via zoom and webinars. He is still reviewing the Employee Handbook. The Fire Department held their inspection dinner on Friday in the Firehouse with masks and social distancing. Mayor Kramer was in attendance and spoke. The Board of Fire Officers did a show and tell of their equipment. There are issues with Engine 64. The First Aid Corps will hold their installation dinner in the Firehouse. They are closely monitoring COVID-19.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Kramer performed a wedding ceremony at Oakes Park. He had the pleasure to read a proclamation for an Eagle Scout who created a fire pit at the rear of the First Aid Corps building. Mayor Kramer attended a Fire House meeting honoring a fireman; he inspected the park playgrounds which have been greatly improved. Mayor Kramer visited Stanaland Park to view an Eagle Scout project which is helping prevention of erosion of the banks. He attended a Fire Department Inspection Dinner; a zoom meeting with the Bergen County League and Governor's office. Mayor Kramer added that flu shots will be available at the high school on October 22nd.

ACTION ON MINUTES

Councilman Gallagher made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Closed Meeting, September 21, 2020

- Regular Meeting, September 21, 2020
- Closed Meeting, October 5, 2020
- Regular & Executive Meetings, October 5, 2020

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – None

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| | Councilman Carnazza | Yes |
| | Councilman Gallagher | Yes |
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OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Binaghi - parking congestion on Howard Drive when sporting events and practices are held at the High School. He spoke with the Police Chief who will reach out to the High School principal to discuss the problem.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 1172-20 – Amend Parking Ordinance – Resolution of Introduction

Councilman Boyce read the resolution.

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – Councilman Gallagher asked how this amendment would be communicated. Borough Attorney Giblin responded that signs entering the Borough will be changed. Mayor Kramer added that some signs are missing and new ones are needed anyway.

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PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

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Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

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

Sam Pruyn, 5 Esther Court – regarding the Stone Point Park Skate Board area. He provided a handout containing photographs of existing conditions and an improvement proposal. Mr. Pruyn commented on the low maintenance and design of the skate board area. He proposes that it be rebuilt rather than repaired. His handout contained photographs of skate board parks located in Nyack and Brick Township.

Councilman Carnazza commented that the condition is due to it not being used for its intended purpose. Mr. Pruyn was asked to survey residents and seek town wide support. The cost to refurbish the skate board area could be expensive and will be discussed during budget meetings.

Richard Ferrigno, Golf Commission member, was present to speak about the Golf Course Concession bid process.

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Second – Councilman Boyce

Discussion - None

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

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Boyce

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Kokowski, Recording Secretary

cc: Mayor and Council
Brian Giblin, Esq.

Reviewed and approved:

Jean M. Donch
Borough Clerk

Date Approved: November 16, 2020