

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2006**

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 Victor Polce	Present
	Councilman Ronald Binaghi, Jr.	Absent
	Councilwoman Mary Carmenini	Present
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Absent
	Councilman Victor Cioce	Present
	Councilwoman Anna Haverilla	Present
	Councilman John Kramer	Present

Also Present: Borough Attorney Allen Bell
 Borough Administrator Gregory Hart

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRAYER – Councilman John Kramer

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 929-06 – Amending Streets Ordinance – Introduction on First Reading

Councilman Kramer read the resolution

Second - Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – Mr. Hart corrected the time of public hearing on the resolution.

Resolution of Introduction Passed (see page)

PROCLAMATION

Honoring Lieutenant Douglas Low

Mayor Polce read the resolution honoring Lieutenant Douglas Low and proclaiming Saturday,

February 10, 2007 as E. Douglas Low Day.

RESOLUTION

Grant Applications – School Safety

Councilman Kramer read the resolution

Discussion – None

Resolution Adopted (see page)

PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance No. 928-06 – Amending Term Limits

Councilwoman Carmenini described the ordinance and then made a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Second – Councilman Kramer

Discussion – None

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

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Kramer

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

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

Councilwoman Carmenini read the resolution.

Resolution of adoption passed (see page)

CONSENT RESOLUTION:

Councilman Kramer read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

Consent Resolution passed (see page)

ACTION ON MINUTES:

Minutes to be Approved:

Councilwoman Carmenini made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Special and Executive Meeting, October 3, 2006
- Regular Meeting, October 16, 2006
- Closed Executive Meeting, November 6, 2006
- Special and Executive Meeting, November 6, 2006
- Closed Executive Meeting, November 20, 2006
- Regular Meeting, November 20, 2006

Second – Councilman Cioce

Councilwoman Carmenini made a motion to table the following minutes:

- Closed Executive Meeting, December 4, 2006
- Special and Executive Meeting, December 4, 2006

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – Councilman Cioce abstained on the October 3, 2006 minutes. Councilman Kramer abstained on the October 16, 2006 minutes.

Roll Call	Councilwoman Carmenini	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
	Councilman Kramer	Yes

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK:

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Kramer

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

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

Louis D'Arminio, Attorney, commented on ordinance No. 929-06 and explained how it would affect his client in a negative way. He asked the Governing Body to reconsider adoption of the ordinance. Mr. Hart advised that a report from the Borough planner recommended the ordinance.

Thomas Herten, Attorney, stated that in the absence of the Borough's attorney, Allen Bell, he felt that he had to add his comments. He stated that he was aware of the Borough planner's report but also asked the Governing Body to adopt the ordinance and explained.

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

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

PLANNING BOARD PRESENTATION OF THE MASTER PLAN

Rea Epstein, Planning Board Chairperson, William Weidmann, Michael Hakim and Nick Mamary were present on behalf of the committee. Mrs. Epstein reported that the Mayor and Council were provided a copy of the Master Plan and wanted to highlight amendments made. Mr. Hakim reviewed significant changes and key recommendations from the previous Master Plan in 2000. He added that the Master Plan is a statutory guide plan for land use and is reviewed every 6 years. Mr. Hakim advised that the Master Plan was adopted by the Planning Board on November 15, 2006. The document helps with consistency in land use decisions.

Rea Epstein thanked Mayor Polce, as a key member of the committee, and the remaining committee members. Councilman Kramer complimented the volunteers on the committee for their extreme efforts and a job well done.

Mayor Polce stated that he is fortunate to be part of the committee and is proud of the document and the amount of work and efforts by the committee members and volunteers. Mayor Polce thanked Mr. Hakim.

OLD BUSINESS

WebLink Demonstration

Carried

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN CIOCE - FIRE / FIRST AID / HEALTH

The Rabies Clinic was held. The Board of Health meeting will be held on Wednesday. The Fire Department will hold a 75th Anniversary committee meeting on Wednesday. They will be discussing details of the celebration. The Fire Department Chief's report was reviewed. The First Aid Corps are

having their meeting this evening. The Open Space committee meeting will be held in January. Referred to and commented on correspondence No. 42.

COUNCILWOMAN CARMENINI – DPW / SENIORS / TECHNOLOGY

The Senior Citizens held their holiday party on December 5, 2006. They thanked everyone who helped make it a success and Councilman Carnazza for participating in the entertainment. Their next meeting is scheduled for December 13 to plan their Lunch and Learn scheduled for January 11, 2007.

Mr. Hart advised that he did not formally hear from River Vale concerning their request for use of the senior van. Councilwoman Carmenini thanked Artie Lake and his crew for the holiday decorations. Leaf pick up is complete. Branches will be picked up with Christmas tree recycling.

The calendar and newsletter are printed. Delivery schedule was reviewed.

COUNCILMAN KRAMER – POLICE / FINANCE

Grants Committee - Met with Tom Skrable, Greg Hart and representatives from Capital Alternatives. Apparently the SRTS Grant applies from Kindergarten through 8th grade schools only, therefore there are no funds for Central Avenue sidewalks. The Borough would be applying for grant through DOT Discretionary Aid Program. Referred to and commented on correspondence No. 61.

COUNCILWOMAN HAVERILLA – EDUCATION / LIBRARY

The final meeting of the Oakes Park committee was held on December 6, 2006. Some punch list items remain. The Library held their pre-construction meeting on December 14. Their programs will be held temporarily at the Korean Presbyterian Church. The Library approved their 2007 budget. The Social and Cultural Affairs committee will meet on January 9, 2007. The Board of Education meets this evening. TBD and CDW are online with Swift Reach. Will meet with the Traffic Committee to discuss a new crossing guard placement at TBD.

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – GOLF / RECREATION

Mayor Polce reported on behalf of Councilman Carnazza. As of November 30, 2006, Golf Course revenues totaled a little over \$704,000. For the past 7 years, revenues have been over \$690,000.

Mayor Polce wished everyone happy holidays.

PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK:

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilwoman Carmenini

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

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

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilwoman Haverilla

Second – Councilwoman Carmenini

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

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Kramer

Second – Councilman Cioce

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

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed and approved:

Sylvia Kokowski, Recording Secretary

Gregory C. Hart, Borough Clerk

cc: Mayor and Council
Allen Bell, Esq.

Date Approved