

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2007**

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.	Present
	Councilwoman Mary Carmenini	Absent
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Present
	Councilman Victor Cioce	Present
	Councilwoman Anna Haverilla	Present
	Councilman John Kramer	Present

Also Present: Borough Attorney, Allen Bell
 Borough Administrator, Greg Hart

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRAYER – Councilman Victor Cioce

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK:

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Binaghi

Second – Councilman Kramer

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 Binaghi

Second – Councilman Cioce

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

PROCLAMATION

Honoring Northern Valley at Old Tappan Dance Team

Mayor Polce read the resolution honoring and congratulating Coach, Lynn Phenix, and the dance team at Northern Valley High School.

Girl Scouts' Presentation – Peace Pole

Members of the Old Tappan Girl Scout Troops 684, 677 and 724 read a description of their plans to build a Peace Pole to promote peace in the community. Their intentions were to place the Peace Pole in Oakes Park with the permission of the Mayor and Council. Anticipated completion date is late Fall, 2008. One possibility expressed by the Council was to place the Peace Pole in Bonnabel Park, an area recently acquired by the Borough. The Mayor and Council commended the Girl Scout Troops and granted permission to them to move forward with their idea.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance No. 932-07 – Amendment to Fees

Councilman Kramer 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 Binaghi

Discussion – None

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

Councilman Kramer read the resolution.

Resolution of adoption passed (see page 11)

Ordinance No. 933-07 – Handicapped Parking

Councilman Kramer 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 – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

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

Councilman Kramer read the resolution.

Resolution of adoption passed (see page 13)

Ordinance No. 934-07 – Facilities Usage Fees

Councilman Carnazza 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 Kramer

Discussion – None

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

Councilman Carnazza read the resolution.

Resolution of adoption passed (see page 15)

Ordinance No. 935-07 – Construction Board of appeals

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 Carnazza

Discussion – None

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

Councilman Carnazza read the resolution.

Resolution of adoption passed (see page 18)

Ordinance No. 936-07 – Non-Smoking Ordinance

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

Second – Councilman Kramer

Discussion – Councilman Binaghi questioned if the ordinance meant within 1000 feet of school property or within 1000 feet of a school building. Allen Bell, Borough Attorney clarified that the ordinance prohibited smoking by minors within 1000 feet of school property.

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried

No public comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Binaghi

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

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

Councilman Cioce read the resolution.

Resolution of adoption passed (see page 20)

Ordinance No. 939-07 – Sale of Borough Property

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

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

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 Cioce

Discussion – None

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

Councilman Kramer read the resolution.

Resolution of adoption passed (see page 22)

CONSENT RESOLUTION

Councilman Kramer read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – None

Consent Resolution passed (see page 25)

ACTION ON MINUTES:

Minutes to be Approved:

Councilman Kramer made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Closed Executive Meeting, February 5, 2007
- Special and Executive Meeting, February 5, 2007
- Closed Executive Meeting, February 20, 2007
- Regular Meeting, February 20, 2007

Councilman Kramer made a motion to table the following minutes:

- Closed Executive Meeting, March 5, 2007
- Special and Executive Meeting, March 5, 2007

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Absent
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
	Councilman Kramer	Yes

Presentation of Old Tappan Board of Education Budget

Douglas Barrett, Business Administrator, and William Ward, Superintendent, conducted a Power Point presentation of the proposed Old Tappan Board of Education Budget 2007 – 2008.

Mayor Polce and the Council thanked Mr. Barrett and Mr. Ward for a job well done on the presentation. He then opened the meeting to the public.

Rea Epstein, 9 Sunden Court, asked about the percentage of special education costs relative to general instruction. Mr. Ward responded.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – GOLF / RECREATION

Recreation – Senior Citizens requested use of the Firehouse for special activities. Summer Camp plans began. The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 7, 2007.

COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – PLANNING BOARD / BUILDING / ENVIRONMENTAL

Planning Board – Conceptual plans were presented by Russell Huntington, Attorney, regarding a proposed project on Central Avenue for age restricted housing. Mr. Hart emphasized that this is a conceptual application.

COUNCILMAN KRAMER – POLICE / FINANCE

A meeting was held on March 8th with representatives of the bonding company that represent the Marbel sewer contractor. Our senior van and ambulance were called into emergency service to assist the Township of River Vale with evacuation of residents at Holiday Farms due to a water main break.

Chief Fasulo begins his 10 week training course on April 1st at the FBI National Academy in Virginia. The Police Committee met with Chief Fasulo, Captain Shine and Architect Joe Cecco to discuss overall costs of the new Police Headquarters building. Referred to and discussed correspondence No. 65 and No. 55.

COUNCILWOMAN HAVERILLA – EDUCATION / LIBRARY

The Social and Cultural Affairs Committee is working on the Easter Egg Hunt which will be held on April 7 at 2:00 p.m. Concert sponsorship is going well. They are starting to work on Art in the Park. The Library will be pouring footings soon. The Board will be sending out a mailing indicating temporary hours of operation. Susan Meeske will be a speaker at the New Jersey Library Association meeting. The Board is considering changing their meetings to the 1st Wednesday of each month. No report on the High School.

COUNCILMAN CIOCE - FIRE / FIRST AID / HEALTH

Board of Health – held a special meeting on March 14 specific to the Mayor’s Wellness Campaign program. Discussion will continue at their next meeting. The Board is looking to promote health and wellness in the community. Councilman Cioce suggested a bullet list agenda be prepared with objectives for the Mayor and Council on the subject. No official report regarding the fire on Russell Avenue. Will report at a later date. Ads can be placed for the 75th Anniversary Journal. The Ladies Auxiliary is having a fund raiser on March 20 at the Blue Moon restaurant. Twenty percent of the bill will be donated to the Ladies Auxiliary.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 940-07 – Reduce Sewer Service Charges For Seniors – Introduction on First Reading

Councilman Kramer read the resolution

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

Resolution of Introduction adopted (see page 37)

Ordinance No. 941-07 – Fees for Marriage and Civil Union Ceremonies – Introduction on First Reading

Councilman Kramer read the resolution

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – None

Resolution of Introduction adopted (see page 39)

Ordinance No. 942-07 –Amendment to Streets Ordinance – Introduction on First Reading

Councilman Binaghi read the resolution

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

Resolution of Introduction adopted (see page 41)

Ordinance No. 943-07 – Appropriation for Maple Street Improvements – Introduction on First Reading

Councilman Binaghi read the resolution

Second – Councilman Kramer

Discussion – None

Resolution of Introduction adopted (see page 42)

Memorial Day Parade Route

Mayor Polce suggested a proposed route of the parade which will begin at the back entrance of the High School. The Council were in favor of the route.

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK:

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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 – Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Binaghi

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

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Carnazza

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