

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2008**

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
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Present
	Councilman Victor Cioce	Present
	Councilwoman Anna Haverilla	Present
	Councilman John Kramer	Present
	Councilman Matthew Nalbandian	Present

Also Present: Borough Attorney, Allen Bell
 Borough Clerk, Jean M. Quinn

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRAYER – Councilman John Kramer

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK:

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

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

Bruce Didanian, 11 Irving Street, lives near the high school. He complained about vehicles blocking his driveway nearly everyday during school hours. He asked for consideration of the Mayor and Council to have a “do not block driveway” sign placed. Discussion ensued. The Mayor and Council agreed to the sign request.

Nick Pappas, provided photographs and an update on the new police headquarters building. The project costs came close to budget and should be completed within one month to six weeks.

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Binaghi

Second – Councilman Cioce

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

PROCLAMATION

Honoring NVOT Girl's Varsity Volleyball Team

Mayor Polce read the resolution honoring the NVOT Girl's Varsity Volleyball Team.

RESOLUTION

Establish Old Tappan Historic Committee

Councilman Binaghi read the resolution

Discussion – None

Resolution Adopted (see page 8)

CONSENT RESOLUTION

Councilman Binaghi read the Consent Resolution

Discussion – Councilman Nalbandian asked that the Borough's Planner provided an overview regarding item No. 5, Accept Housing Element & Fair Share Plan & Authorize Filing with COAH. Borough Attorney Allen Bell advised that the filing with COAH needed to be done by the end of the month.

Resolution Adopted (see page 9)

ACTION ON MINUTES

Councilman Binaghi made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Special & Executive Meeting, November 3, 2008
- Regular Meeting, November 17, 2008
- Closed Session, November 3, 2008

Councilman Binaghi made a motion to table the following minutes:

- Closed Session, December 1, 2008
- Special & Executive Meeting, December 1, 2008

Discussion – Councilman Nalbandian abstained on the Special & Executive Meeting, November 3, 2008.

Roll Call	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
	Councilman Kramer	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Skate Board Park Ordinance

Borough Attorney Allen Bell commented that there was discussion in the past regarding the use of the Skate Board Park without a permit and the enforcement of rules and regulations relative to the park. Mr. Bell explained how he amended the ordinance to include use of the park by River Vale and Old Tappan residents only and to set a summons of up to \$1,000 for violations of the use.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – HEALTH / FIRST AID

The Board of Health meets Wednesday. The Mayor’s Wellness Campaign for January will include children’s events. The Rabies Clinic is scheduled for January 10, 2009 at the DPW building.

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – GOLF / RECREATION

Recreation Commission – discussed the rules and regulations relative to the Skate Board Park. Will advise the Commission of the recommended fine for violation of the use discussed this evening.

The Golf Commission agreed to flat rates and they hope to get new members on board for next year.

COUNCILMAN KRAMER – POLICE / FINANCE

A meeting was held with the Grants Professionals Capital Alternatives, Councilwoman Haverilla, Administrator O’Brien, Thomas Skrable, Borough Engineer and Artie Lake, DPW Superintendent.

Capital Alternatives suggested applying through the Discretionary Aid Grant program to seek funding for the drainage issues on Westwood Avenue. Economic Stimulus Grants should be coming out in January and Capital Alternatives will keep the Borough informed.

COUNCILWOMAN HAVERILLA – FIRE/ PLANNING BOARD/ BUILDING/ SENIORS

Seniors held their holiday brunch on December 11th. Dolores Alessi did a great job coordinating the event.

COUNCILMAN CIOCE – DPW/ ENVIRONMENT/ TECHNOLOGY

The DPW had 9 leaf collections to date. Christmas trees will be picked up in January, 2009. The Skate Board Park has been removed and the area will be flooded for ice skating.

COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – EDUCATION / LIBRARY /OPEN SPACE

Councilman Binaghi referred to the Library minutes. He advised that their budget and a list of those who donated funds to the library were included at the end of the minutes.

PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK:

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Binaghi

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 Binaghi

Second – Councilman Cioce

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

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

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

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed and approved:

Sylvia Kokowski, Recording Secretary

Jean M. Quinn
Borough Clerk

cc: Mayor and Council
Allen Bell, Esq.

Date Approved: 1/3/09