

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 16, 2017**

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.**

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Mayor John Kramer	Absent
	Councilman Ronald Binaghi, Jr.	Present
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Present
	Councilman Victor Cioce	Present
	Councilman Thomas Gallagher	Present
	Councilwoman Anna Haverilla	Present
	Councilman Matthew Nalbandian	Present

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

Councilman Binaghi presided over the meeting.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**PRAYER** – Councilwoman Anna Haverilla

**PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Gallagher

Discussion – None

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

Brian Morandi, 1043 Westwood Avenue, appeared before the Mayor and Council at a prior meeting. His complaint is the parking of cars near a fire hydrant and his driveway. A recent photograph was taken on October 15<sup>th</sup> and presented to the Mayor and Council. Councilwoman Haverilla will follow up with the Police Chief in an effort to resolve this matter.

Ted L'Estrange of Otisville, New York explained his request for consideration of a resolution condemning China's State-sanctioned harvesting organs from Falun Gong practitioners for profit.

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilman Cioce

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

### **CONSENT RESOLUTION**

Councilman Carnazza read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – Councilman Gallagher inquired about the Soil Moving Permit – Northern Valley Development – 10 Sunden Court – Block 2705, Lot 8. He asked if the resident and corporation were one in the same. He was told yes.

Roll Call:	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes

Resolution Adopted (see page 7)

### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **COUNCILMAN CIOCE – ENVIRONMENTAL / LIBRARY**

Library – Councilman Cioce attended their Board meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup>. They are reviewing their 2018 budget. They are working on their annual fund raising letter, opening a Pay Pal account and their electric automatic doors. The Environmental Commission meets tomorrow evening at which time Councilman Cioce will obtain an update on the Community Garden.

#### **COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / GOLF / HEALTH**

Attended the Golf Commission meeting. The concessionaire is seeking access to email addresses that the Borough collects for advertising through Community Pass. Recreation – some changes will occur in 2018; the Chairperson has asked to step down and the soccer liaison has a replacement. Board of Health meets on Wednesday.

#### **COUNCILMAN GALLAGHER – PLANNING / ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT / FIRST AID**

The Planning Board met last week, they are reviewing a commercial application. A minor front setback application was approved. The First Aid Corps September report was reviewed.

**COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – FINANCE / EDUCATION / ADMINISTRATION**

Budget meetings are approaching. Board of Education – Mrs. Connelly, Principal at T. Baldwin Demarest School has retired after 30 + years in education.

**COUNCILWOMAN HAVERILLA – POLICE / SAFETY / SENIORS**

The 5K Run held yesterday turned out to be a great event; 140 signed up for the run. Social Services held their Lunch and Learn last week. Senior Technology classes start tomorrow; 16 seniors have signed up.

**COUNCILMAN BINAGHI - FIRE / DPW**

The 5K Run was awesome; great event, we should have it every year. Officer Weaver, Mike Murphy and Christen Rinaldi were thanked for their time and effort on the event. The Fire Department held an open house last week.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

None

**ACTION ON MINUTES**

Councilman Carnazza made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Closed Meeting, September 18, 2017
- Regular Meeting, September 18, 2017
- Closed Meeting, October 2, 2017
- Special & Executive Meetings, October 2, 2017

Second – Councilwoman Haverilla

Discussion – Councilman Gallagher abstained on the Closed Meeting, October 2, 2017. Councilman Cioce abstained on both October 2, 2017 meetings.

Roll Call:	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Cioce	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilwoman Haverilla	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Best Practices Checklist**

Councilman Nalbandian explained that all towns are awarded a percentage of State Aid based on their score. Old Tappan has done well.

Councilman Gallagher inquired about amendments to the Open Public Meetings Law. He was informed that the State wants all committee reports of local municipalities placed on the internet.

**PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilwoman Haverilla

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

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

Discussion – Joan Brodeur, 71 Pheasant Run, inquired about a traffic light at the intersection of Orangeburg Road and Old Tappan Road. Councilman Carnazza responded that the request was made to the County many times. Borough Administrator O'Brien added that the County did a study and agreed that it is needed but since then nothing has transpired. Ms. Brodeur will try to get other residents to sign a petition in an effort to help with the request.

Ms. Brodeur inquired about where the money was coming from for the authorization to purchase 43 Quail Run. Borough Attorney Allen Bell responded that the authorization to purchase 43 Quail Run has been rescinded via a resolution on the Consent Agenda, adding that the funds would have come from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilman Binaghi

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  
Borough Clerk

Date Approved: November 20, 2017