

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR
AND REORGANIZATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2018
FIRST HALF**

REGULAR MEETING

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: 7:00 PM

ROLL CALL:	Mayor John Kramer	Present
	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

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRAYER - Councilman Guy Carnazza

PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

Motion to open the meeting to the public by Councilman Cioce

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

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

No Public Comment

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Discussion - None

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

PROCLAMATION

Volunteers of the Year – Old Tappan Golf Commission

Mayor Kramer read the proclamation honoring the Volunteers on the Old Tappan Golf Commission on the Golden Anniversary of the Old Tappan Golf Course.

CONSENT RESOLUTION

Councilwoman Haverilla read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – Councilman Binaghi abstained on Claims and Payroll. Councilman Cioce abstained on Oppose Proposed Power Plant.

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

Resolution Adopted (see page 8)

ACTION ON MINUTES

Minutes to be Approved

Councilwoman Haverilla made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Special & Executive Meetings, December 3, 2018

Second – Councilman Cioce

Discussion – None

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

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – DPW / CONSTRUCTION

Councilman Binaghi is beginning his 20th year on the Governing Body. He thanked everyone on the dais and the entire Borough family. He spoke highly of Nick Pappas, Zoning Officer, who passed on recently and was a tremendous influence on his political career. His wife Jeanine, who is a great partner, mom and grandma, has a way to juggle all her responsibilities and support him.

DPW – the DPW Superintendent Andy and his assistant, Lou, work very well together. After the completion of the storage shed, every piece of equipment is able to be put inside. Andy has a lot of responsibilities, including state reporting requirements. He thanked Andy and his entire staff for the work they are doing. Councilman Binaghi read a list of statistics provided by the DPW Superintendent for the year 2018. Building and Construction – Councilman Binaghi welcomed Bob Rusch as Old Tappan’s new Zoning Officer. Our Zoning and Construction offices are very important in our town. Councilman Binaghi spoke briefly of COAH regulations and the effect on Old Tappan. He wished everyone a happy, healthy new year.

COUNCILMAN CIOCE – ENVIRONMENTAL / LIBRARY / HISTORICAL

Councilman Cioce welcomed everyone to the meeting. He is grateful for 17 years of service on the Council, whose primary goal is to continue to improve Old Tappan. The library is in its 78th year of service for Old Tappan. The committee members are passionate at what they do and I am proud to have an active library. Municipal Alliance – Councilman Cioce reviewed their activities which include Town Day. Environmental Commission and Green Team work together towards our Sustainable NJ certification. Their many activities include Eco Lectures, Community Garden, Hooked on Fishing and Walk to School Day. They provided input on the Bamboo Ordinance, Noise Ordinance and Antu-Idling Ordinance. He thanked all the volunteers who contribute their time to Old Tappan.

COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – FINANCE / FIRE / SCHOOLS / HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

This past year was a pleasure to work with Administration, Finance and as Fire Commissioner. He

thanked the CFO, the Borough Administrator and Borough Clerk for their hard work and all the men and women who work in Borough Hall. As Fire Commissioner he worked with Fire Chief Keil and is grateful for his volunteerism and all the officers of the Fire Department. He thanked the members of the local and regional school boards for their time and energy for a desirable school district. Board of Health – Councilman Nalbandian thanked Board of Health president, Lisa Troy, and the members for the health and wellbeing of our community; flu shots, exercise programs, blood pressure screenings and inspections. He thanked Mayor Kramer for his continued leadership as well as all his fellow Councilmembers for all their hard work and is honored to be a member of the Council. Councilman Nalbandian extended special congratulations to Councilwoman Haverilla and Councilman Carnazza on their reelection. He thanked his wife, Nina, and his children for their support and all the volunteers who help make Old Tappan great. Happy New Year to all.

COUNCILMAN GALLAGHER – PLANNING / ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT / FIRST AID

Happy New Year to all. Congratulations to Councilwoman Haverilla and Councilman Carnazza on their reelection. He thanked the residents of Old Tappan, the Mayor and Council, and his wife and sons for their support. Our Summer Concert Series continues to be a great success. He thanked the entire Arts & Entertainment Committee with a special thanks to Janet Manning for booking the concert bands. He thanked the Borough Administrator and DPW Superintendent and crew for their assistance at Oakes Park for the concerts. The committee has a new member, Tami Mazza, whom they welcomed. He had the pleasure of working with the emergency medical responders, the First Aid Corps had a very active and productive year. Drills and training sessions were conducted. They met their requirements in 2018 by NJ State regarding electronic charting. He thanked them for their community service and participation in town events. Councilman Gallagher spoke highly of the professionalism of the Planning Board members and professionals. We are sorry to see Robike Noll leave after 15 years of dedicated service. Councilman Gallagher is honored to work with these committees for the benefit of Old Tappan.

COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / GOLF

Councilman Carnazza congratulated Councilwoman Haverilla on her reelection. He thanked the Borough Family, the CFO, the Borough Administrator and Borough Clerk. He thanked Mayor Kramer and his fellow Councilmembers. This year is the 50th Anniversary of the Golf Course, I've been on the committee for 17 years and know how much work the members do.

Recreation Commission – the volunteers are the ones who make this town what it is today, he thanked them, the DPW Superintendent and Police Chief Shine and their crews for running a great team. COAH is a threat to our town; he thanked everyone involved with the law suit settlement.

COUNCILWOMAN HAVERILLA – POLICE / SAFETY / SENIORS

Councilwoman Haverilla wished everyone a happy, healthy new year. All the departments and committees she was liaison to work so efficiently that they rarely ask for assistance. The Police Department are a social service and agency deployed every day of the year around the clock, they

know our community's concerns and those of business owners. They keep our community safe 24/7. Under the department's commitment, we know our community will be safe. Councilwoman Haverilla commented on the many letters received by thankful residents to the Police Department for their assistance when they were in need. Our Local Assistance Board lead by Donna Geitz is a very busy Board, they assist our seniors, disabled and those who fall upon unexpected hardships. The Senior Advisory Committee had a busy year with field trips, chair yoga, lunch and learns and a wonderful holiday luncheon in December. Thank you to David Northrop who is on the committee and all the members for their time and energy. Thank you to our Borough staff and Borough Administrator for their help and assistance to our residents throughout the year. Thank you to my husband for his support.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Happy New Year to all. Congratulations to Councilwoman Haverilla and Councilman Carnazza on their reelection. The passing of Nick Pappas is sad, he will be remembered for his service by our community and his friends. We wish Robike Noll well with her future endeavors. I am proud of the men and woman who serve our community; the Borough staff, DPW, Golf Course employees, Police Department, emergency services, Recreation Commission, volunteers, our Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Borough Clerk. Administrator O'Brien has been a great assistance to me as Mayor. Mayor Kramer thanked the Council for their efforts, attendance and the appreciation afforded to him. He thanked his wife Carol; and wished everyone a happy, healthy new year.

OLD BUSINESS -None

NEW BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK

Motion to open the meeting to the public by Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion - None

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

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public by Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilman Gallagher

Discussion - None

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,

Reviewed and approved:

Sylvia Kokowski, Recording Secretary

Jean M. Donch
Borough Clerk

cc: Mayor and Council
Allen Bell, Esq.

Date Approved: January 22, 2019