

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Kirkland, held at the Town of Kirkland Municipal Building, 3699 State Route 12-B, Clinton, Oneida County, New York on June 9, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

Present:

Councilman Garry F. Colarusso

Councilwoman Donna E. Yando

Councilman Richard J. Maxam

Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil

Attorney Anthony Hallak

Absent:

Supervisor Robert J. Meelan

Deputy Supervisor Colarusso called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and asked those present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

RESOLUTION #43

Upon motion by Councilman Maxam, seconded by Councilwoman Yando, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve the minutes of May 12, 2025 as printed.

Roll Call Vote:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Supervisor Robert J. Meelan | Absent |
| Councilman Garry F. Colarusso | Aye |
| Councilwoman Donna E. Yando | Aye |
| Councilman Richard J. Maxam | Aye |
| Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil | Aye |

RESOLUTION #44

Upon motion by Councilwoman O’Neil, seconded by Councilman Maxam, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials.

Roll Call Vote:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Supervisor Robert J. Meelan | Absent |
| Councilman Garry F. Colarusso | Aye |
| Councilwoman Donna E. Yando | Aye |
| Councilman Richard J. Maxam | Aye |
| Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil | Aye |

RESOLUTION #45

Upon motion by Councilwoman Yando, seconded by Councilman Maxam, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board accept the resignation of Kirkland Police Officer Andrew Covell Jr. effective May 13, 2025.

Roll Call Vote:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Supervisor Robert J. Meelan | Absent |
| Councilman Garry F. Colarusso | Aye |
| Councilwoman Donna E. Yando | Aye |
| Councilman Richard J. Maxam | Aye |
| Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil | Aye |

Deputy Supervisor Colarusso asked if there was anyone present who wished to address the Board. There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

GENERAL ORDER

Attorney Anthony Hallak – RIC Solar, Limberlost Road, the decommissioning issues have been resolved.
Town Clerk Donna Maxam – Received application for the 4th of July Fireworks

RESOLUTION #46

Upon motion by Councilman Maxam, seconded by Councilwoman Yando, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve the 4th of July Fireworks to be held at the Town Park with a rain date of July 6th.

Roll Call Vote:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Supervisor Robert J. Meelan | Absent |
| Councilman Garry F. Colarusso | Aye |
| Councilwoman Donna E. Yando | Aye |
| Councilman Richard J. Maxam | Aye |
| Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil | Aye |

Highway Supt. Jon Scott – Absent. Councilman Colarusso – have been working on clean up, drainage work, and will begin striping soon
Police Dept. - Administrative Officer Occhipinti – speed trailer has gone to Yorkville
Battery to be made more green
Building and Grounds Liaison Councilwoman Yando – no report
Recreation Liaison Councilwoman O’Neil – Patti Maxam said the Roller Derby went well and the June 1st wrestling went very well, it was the best the concession has ever done.
Seniors Liaison Councilwoman Yando – no report
Sewer Liaison Councilman Maxam – no report
SWOCO Liaison Councilman Maxam – lawn mower did not make bid on auction, it was placed on Facebook Marketplace and sold for \$4,000

The monthly Safety Inspectors’ Reports and Animal Control Officer’s Reports were reviewed by the Town Board Members.

RESOLUTION #47

Upon motion by Councilman Maxam, seconded by Councilwoman O’Neil, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board review and approve the bills as audited: May 28, 2025. The totals were:

- A -** 35,764.12
- B -** 7,154.56
- DA -** 15,626.59
- DB-** 137,426.20
- Cap Fund H –** 4,038.88

SS1 - 10,145.76

Roll Call Vote:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Supervisor Robert J. Meelan | Absent |
| Councilman Garry F. Colarusso | Aye |
| Councilwoman Donna E. Yando | Aye |
| Councilman Richard J. Maxam | Aye |
| Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil | Aye |

RESOLUTION #48

Upon motion by Councilman Maxam, seconded by Councilwoman O’Neil, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board review and approve the bills as audited: June 9, 2025. The totals were:

- A - 22,646.52**
- B - 8,026.24**
- DA - 6,767.53**
- DB- 1,599.67**
- SL1- 650.06**
- SL2- 223.00**
- SL3- 123.81**
- SL4- 669.39**
- SS1 - 2,024.18**
- SS2- 618.46**
- SS4- 496.95**
- Cap Fund H – 170.12**

Roll Call Vote:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Supervisor Robert J. Meelan | Absent |

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| Councilman Garry F. Colarusso | Aye |
| Councilwoman Donna E. Yando | Aye |
| Councilman Richard J. Maxam | Aye |
| Councilwoman Melanie L. O'Neil | Aye |

Councilman Maxam asked if there had been any progress on the electric car chargers. Attorney Hallak will follow up on that.

Hearing regarding 7614 State Route 5:

Attorney Mark Wolber and his clients Linda Narracci & Abdeltif Saboula, property owners, were present. Attorney Wolber stated that the owners were making progress that was satisfactory to Codes Officer Bob Harris. Attorney Wolber said there are 2 structures to be rehabbed, a small shed that will be completed within 6 weeks, needing boards and windows replaced. A portion of the roof needs to be replaced and then the whole roof will be shingled. Footings are loose and will be mortared and made solid. Shed will be scraped and painted. Attorney Wolber said his advice to his clients was to finish one project before starting the next. The main house will have the front stairs and deck replaced. Attorney Hallak asked for a status update by the July 14th meeting and a possible return to the August meeting if necessary.

Hearing regarding 4375 Saunders Road:

Present were the homeowners, William & Ana Rodriguez and their daughter who spoke on their behalf, she explained that English was their second language. Attorney Hallak went through the timeline of what had been issued, including orders to remedy and condemnation. Attorney Hallak also passed around a picture of the property to the Board and asked the homeowners if that was the current condition of the property and they said, yes, it is. The owners told the Board they were approved to only rebuild on the exact same footprint, they then posted for sale, neighbor offered to purchase property, that did not happen, plan was to replace with modular, they said neighbor said they didn't want modular there because the size of the lot the front would face the side. They're still working on getting a modular to fit the size. Attorney Hallak said the structure had been cited, condemned and the building has to come down. If it is not down and cleared in 30 days the Town will have it taken down and the cost will be added to their taxes. The owner said he needed more time. Attorney Hallak said you have had time since you purchased the property. The owner said the original intent was to repair the property, but it was not doable. The Codes Officer deemed this an emergency situation. The owner must get a demo permit and then has 30 days for demo and to remove all the debris, the site has to be clean and ready to build on. After the 30 days the decision then becomes the Codes Officers.

RESOLUTION #49

Upon motion by Councilman Maxam, seconded by Councilwoman O'Neil, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board close the hearings for 7614 State Route 5 and 4375 Saunders Road.

Roll Call Vote:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Supervisor Robert J. Meelan | Absent |
| Councilman Garry F. Colarusso | Aye |
| Councilwoman Donna E. Yando | Aye |
| Councilman Richard J. Maxam | Aye |
| Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil | Aye |

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, upon motion by Councilman Maxam, seconded by Councilwoman O’Neil, the meeting was adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Donna B. Maxam, Town Clerk