

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Kirkland, held at the Town of Kirkland Senior Center, 2 Mill St., Clark Mills, Oneida County, New York on August 10, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

Present:

Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso

Councilman Richard J. Maxam

Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil

Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman

Absent:

Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV

Attorney Anthony Hallak

Supervisor Colarusso called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and asked those present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Colarusso recognized the public in attendance. Dustin Dwyer thanked Jon Scott for the quick updates. Dustin asked the Town Board to look at the fire districts covering Clark Mills. Councilwoman Seaman said there would be changes to taxes and suggested reaching out to the Oneida County 911 coordinator. Carol Caruso is having an issue with Mill Gate Meadows about a concerning tree. Officer Occhipinti said he would get information from Mrs. Caruso after the meeting. Ronald Mroz had concerns about sidewalks discussed in Clark Mills, where they would be in relation to the road, and who would clean and maintain them. Supervisor Colarusso said that the sidewalks would be maintained by the property owners. Where the sidewalks would be, and their offset from the road would come from a study. Shawn Evans said he has been talking with Mike Debraggio about sidewalk funding. Todd Healy mentioned the concerns of service zones regarding Fire Departments is not unique to Clark Mills. Supervisor Colarusso read a letter drafted by himself and Jon Scott to the County about requesting traffic studies around Clark Mills.

RESOLUTION #58

Upon motion by Councilwoman O’Neil, seconded by Supervisor Colarusso, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve the minutes of August 10, 2026 as printed.

Roll Call Vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso	Aye
Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV	Absent
Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil	Aye

Councilman Richard J. Maxam Abstain

Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman Abstain

Supervisor Colarusso explained the Sales Tax revenue has outpaced what was budgeted for.

RESOLUTION #59

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

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve the current Balance of Town Funds.

Roll Call Vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso	Aye
Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV	Absent
Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil	Aye
Councilman Richard J. Maxam	Aye
Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman	Aye

GENERAL ORDER

Attorney Anthony Hallak – Absent
Town Clerk Michael Gaska – No Report
Highway Supt. Jon Scott, Councilman Albertine- No Report
Police Dept. - Administrative Officer Occhipinti – No Report
Building and Grounds Liaison Councilwoman Seaman – No Report
Recreation Liaison Councilwoman O’Neil – No Report
Seniors Liaison Councilwoman Seaman – No Report
Sewer Liaison Councilman Maxam – No Report
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DISCUSSION

Supervisor Colarusso said an Audit for risk assessment started last week by the county. Several other towns have already been audited, and multiple towns are being audited concurrently. It has been over 25 years since our last audit.

RESOLUTION #60

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

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

A -	52655.99
B -	9425.82
DA -	16167.31
DB -	34013.08
SS1 -	17351.74
SS4 -	32.80

Roll Call Vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso	Aye
Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV	Absent
Councilwoman Melanie L. O’Neil	Aye
Councilman Richard J. Maxam	Aye
Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman	Aye

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, upon motion by Councilman Maxam, seconded by Councilwoman Seaman, the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Michael D. Gaska Jr., Town Clerk