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 October 14, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

Present:

Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso

Councilman Richard J. Maxam

Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV

Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman

Attorney Anthony Hallak

Budget Director Anthony Arcuri

Absent:

Councilwoman Melanie L. O'Neil

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. Scott Murry of Kellogg St. came before the Town Board to express his frustrations with the Zoning Board and feels they have been unprofessional with his application. Mr. Murry has since moved his business to Utica. Sharleen Machold of the Senior Center updated the Board on Senior Center. The group went to the Remsen Sunflower Festival. They will be running a bake sale during Election Day. Sharleen is looking for grants for an automatic door opener for the Senior Center. Scott Murry then asked Supervisor Colarusso if he would correct his statement that Scott is suing the Town at the last meeting. Supervisor Colarusso said no. Kim Zogby raised her concerns about the CSSA agreement. Mrs. Zogby stated the CSSA agreement has been breached, and action needs to be taken by the Town of Kirkland. Supervisor Colarusso again stated he is not in favor of the expansion of the wastewater treatment plant as it offers no benefit to the entities involved. Sandy Scofield shared her concerns about the property at the corner of Kirkland Ave. and Route 5. Mrs. Scofield said the cars keep expanding, and that she has been in contact with Bob Harris. Melanie Brown asked if there have been any updates on the Clark Mills intersection; There has not been.

DISCUSSION

RESOLUTION #66

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

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve the minutes of September 21, 2026 as printed.

Roll Call Vote:

NAME	VOTE
Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso	Aye

Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV Aye

Councilwoman Melanie L. O'Neil Absent

Councilman Richard J. Maxam Aye

Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman Aye

RESOLUTION #67

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

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve Clinton Fire Department's use of the park for "Lights Around the Park"

Roll Call Vote:

NAME VOTE

Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso Aye

Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV Aye

Councilwoman Melanie L. O'Neil Absent

Councilman Richard J. Maxam Aye

Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman Aye

GENERAL ORDER

Attorney Anthony Hallak – No Report
Town Clerk Michael Gaska – No Report
Highway Supt. Jon Scott, Councilman Albertine- Getting ready for winter
Police Dept. - Administrative Officer Occhipinti – Absent
Building and Grounds Liaison Councilwoman Seaman – No Report
Recreation Liaison Councilwoman O'Neil – Patti said there will be Trunk or Treat at the Park on Halloween day from 1-3pm
Seniors Liaison Councilwoman Seaman – Would like to get grab bars in the bathrooms
Sewer Liaison Councilman Maxam – General Maintenance
SWOCO Liaison Councilman Maxam – Tentative Budget

RESOLUTION #68

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

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve the Griffiss Institute STEM Camp for summer 2027

Roll Call Vote:

NAME VOTE

Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso Aye

Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV Aye

Councilwoman Melanie L. O'Neil Absent

Councilman Richard J. Maxam Aye

Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman Aye

RESOLUTION #69

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

RESOLVED, that the Kirkland Town Board approve the Budget Transfers and Amendments.

	FROM	TO	AMOUNT
B3120.2 Police Equipment		B3120.4 Police Contingency	$7,000
Transfer within the same cost center.			
B8161.4 SWOCO		B8160.4 Refuse/Garbage	$5,000
Unanticipated Tipping fees.			

Roll Call Vote:

NAME VOTE

Supervisor Garry F. Colarusso Aye

Councilman Frank P. Albertine IV Aye

Councilwoman Melanie L. O'Neil Absent

Councilman Richard J. Maxam Aye

Councilwoman Tami M. Seaman Aye

RESOLUTION #70

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 - 33985.26

B - 15955.59

DA - 22442.66

DB - 6241.81

SL1 - 795.37

SL2 - 270.14

SL3 - 149.56

SL4 - 863.35

SS1 - 4756.45

SS2 - 666.67

SS4 - 467.18

Cap Fund H - 25230.00

Roll Call Vote:

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

Budget Director Anthony Arcuri talked about the upcoming budget. Sales tax went up and funds continue to grow. The state taxing online sales have helped. Councilwoman Seaman asked how raises are calculated. The union rate is being negotiated and everyone else will be based off that. Only the Highway Department is a union.

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, upon motion by Councilwoman Seaman, seconded by Councilman Albertine, the meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Michael D. Gaska Jr., Town Clerk