

*The Town of Orleans Board Meeting  
April 11, 2024*

*The Town of Orleans Town Board held a regular scheduled board meeting on April 11, 2024 at 7:00PM at the municipal building in LaFargeville.*

*Members Present: Kevin Rarick, Mary Ford-Waterman, Peter Wilson and Thomas Johnston*

*Absent: Gwen Kirkby*

*Others Present: Tammy Donnelly, Jim Burrows, Rob Black, Dale Raymo, Lee Shimel, Pam McDowell, Rob Company, Jim Russell, Don Smith, Mike Wyble, Many Jerome, Linda Fisher, Randy Beach, Wade Ingalls, Kathi Ingalls, Gene-Paul Brennan, Brian Reome, and Lee Klock*

*Supervisor Rarick called meeting to order at 7:05pm*

*1. Approval of minutes- A motion was made Peter Wilson and seconded by Thomas Johnston to accept March 2024 minutes as read.*

*Kevin Rarick, Aye  
Peter Wilson, Aye  
Thomas Johnston, Aye  
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye  
Gwen Kirkby, Absent*

*2. Brian Reome from the Town of Orleans fire commissioners spoke on behalf of the fire departments. They would like the town board to consider a local law for fire fighters to receive a 10% property tax exemption. Discussion was held. (Jim Burrows will do the paperwork for the local law)*

*A motion was made by Peter Wilson and second Mary Ford-Waterman to adopt a Local Law allowing active firefighters to receive a 10% property tax exemption.*

*Kevin Rarick, Aye  
Peter Wilson, Aye  
Thomas Johnston, Aye  
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye  
Gwen Kirkby, Absent*

*Randy Beach spoke on TIERS – Discussion was held.*

*3. Lee Klock – Lee spoke to board regarding the future paving of Amend Road. Lee does not want the rest of Amend Road paved. Discussion was held.*

*4. Lee Shimel update – Lee gave town board update. Lee stated that a board member will be on medical leave the whole month of May, he also stated the planning board does not have an alternate he would like the board to appoint and alternate that can also vote when there is an absent member not just a conflict. Discussion was held.*

### **Resolution #3**

*Article 16 of the New York Town law to allow an alternate member to the town Zoning Board of Appeals and the town Planning Board to participate in conflict or absence of a board member.*

*A motion was made by Peter Wilson and seconded by Thomas Johnston to adopt Resolution #3 as stated above.*

*Kevin Rarick, Aye  
Peter Wilson, Aye  
Thomas Johnston, Aye  
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye  
Gwen Kirkby, Absent*

*A motion was made by Thomas Johnston and seconded by Mary Ford-Waterman to appoint Dick Green as Alternate Planning board member.*

*Kevin Rarick, Aye  
Peter Wilson, Aye  
Thomas Johnston, Aye  
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye  
Gwen Kirkby, Absent*

*5. Dale Raymo update - Dale updated town board on Revaluation discussion. Dale stated he spoke to Roxanne Burns of real property tax services and the soonest the town could get on the list for a revaluation which would take place in 2027. Discussion was also had regarding trending which Dale is in favor of. The town board will also consider trending they will make a decision by January or February of 2025 for Dale to trend for the year 2025. The town board adopted the below Resolution to get on schedule for the 2027 revaluation.*

### **Resolution #4**

*The Town of Orleans town board has resolved to participate in a town-wide revaluation process with the assistance of Jefferson County Officials. The town board understands the revaluation process would begin during fiscal year 2027.*

*A motion was made by Peter Wilson and seconded by Mary Ford-Waterman to participate in a revaluation in 2027.*

*Kevin Rarick, Aye  
Peter Wilson, Aye  
Thomas Johnston, Aye  
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye  
Gwen Kirkby, Absent*

*6. Rob Campany update- TI Park- Treatment plant roof is done. We need to go to long term financing.*

*Collings Landing Sewer- Rob would like to a dye test of septic tanks soon. Rob will send out letter to residents to get access to their properties and advice residents of the testing. Discussion was held. The town board is ok with Rob doing the testing.*

*Library update – Rob stated they are ready to go out to bid. Rob will advertise the bidding.*

*7. Town Clerk report reviewed*

*8. Bills were audited in the amount of \$73,330.24*

*A motion was made by Thomas Johnston and seconding by Peter Wilson to go into executive session on a possible legal matter.*

*Kevin Rarick, Aye*

*Peter Wilson, Aye*

*Thomas Johnston, Aye*

*Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye*

*Gwen Kirkby, Absent*

*Entered into executive session at 8:30pm*

*Exited executive session at 9:30pm*

*A motion was made by Peter Wilson and seconded by Thomas Johnston to adjourn the meeting*

*Kevin Rarick, Aye*

*Peter Wilson, Aye*

*Thomas Johnston, Aye*

*Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye*

*Gwen Kirkby, Absent*

*Meeting adjourned at 9:31pm*

*Respectfully submitted*

*Tammy Donnelly*

*Town Clerk*