

TOWN OF KIRKWOOD WORK SESSION

September 1, 2026

Present: Supervisor Lewis Grubham
Councilmember Marc Latini
Councilmember Katie Legg
Councilmember Sandy Wasson

Also Present: Robert McKertich, Attorney
Kelley Diffendorf, Town Clerk
Poe Williams, Highway Superintendent
Duane Travis, Zoning Board Chairman
Karen Ferguson, Historian

- 1. Discussion – Resolution ratifying a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign the termination letter with Broome County for Dog Control Services, effective June 30, 2026, in accordance with the attached letter. (LCG)**
- 2. Discussion – Resolution awarding the Sealed Bid for the Road Broom to Tracey Road Equipment, being the lowest responsible bidder at \$86,330. (LCG)**

Poe Williams discussed how the Town has owned two road brooms for years and after thinking about it he feels the Town only needs one broom since there is only about a two-week time period that both brooms are being used at the same time causing one broom to just sit unused most of the time. Therefore, he thought the money earmarked for this second broom could be used for other items that the Town needs. He would rather not purchase this road broom. Councilmember Legg mentioned she will be looking forward to hearing what other items Poe Williams is interested in. Poe Williams had ideas ready to go, listing items such as a planer to mill up blacktop for patching, a hotbox to keep blacktop hot in cold weather when fixing potholes, and a flail mower that will mow the ditches better than what is on hand now. He noted the three items together will still be less money than the road broom. Estimated prices were given for each, the planer at \$20,000-\$24,000, the hotbox at \$30,000-\$40,000, and the flail mower around \$9,000. A hotbox was discussed at previous meetings (years ago), it was unclear if one was ever purchased or just discussed, Poe Williams was going to verify.

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- 3. Discussion – Resolution authorizing Al Glover and Matt Loftus to attend the Operator Training on September 24, 2026, at the Vestal Elks Lodge, at a cost of \$50 per person, with all reasonable expenses paid. (LCG)**
- 4. Discussion – Resolution approving the request from The Bar for a waiver from the Town of Kirkwood from the 30-day waiting period regarding their liquor license application. (LCG)**

Mr. McKertich explained that this is standard procedure when someone applies for a liquor license, there's a 30-day period for the Town to object to that license or waive the 30-day period, which allows them to get the license quicker. This resolution would be waiving that period so they could move forward with their liquor license. As a reference, this is the location of the old Beer Thirty.

- 5. Discussion – Resolution scheduling a Public Hearing for the renewal of the Mining Permit granted to Gorick Construction Co., Inc., for the Klepfer Elkay Mine on Track Drive, under Article X, Section 1001(J) of the Zoning Code to be held on September 29, 2026 at 6 PM. (LCG)**

Supervisor Grubham reported that this mine has been in use for quite some time and Gorick Construction has just renewed the permit, which is done every five years.

- 6. Discussion – Resolution scheduling a Public Hearing for September 29, 2026 at 6:02 PM regarding a proposed Local Law Affecting a Temporary Moratorium Within the Town of Kirkwood on the Development and Construction of Solar Energy Systems, extending the moratorium for an additional six months. (LCG)**

The current temporary moratorium will be expiring in October so this extension will add another 6-month temporary moratorium affecting the development and construction of solar energy systems.

- 7. Discussion – Resolution authorizing Chad Moran to attend the Southern Tier Home Builders & Remodelers Association training on September 9, 2026, at the Neptune Hose Company, Dryden, NY at a cost of \$35 with all reasonable expenses paid. (LCG)**
- 8. Audit of Claims.**