The Town of Orleans Board Meeting
May 14, 2026

The Town of Orleans Town Board held a regular scheduled board meeting on May 14, 2026 at 7:00PM at Sewer Building in LaFargeville

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

Others Present: Tammy Donnelly, Lee Shimel, Lukus Smith, Rob Campany, Pam McDowell, Karen Schell, Kimberely Fitchette, Thomas LaClair, Jeff Tubolino, Andy Greene, Dan Caprio, Lloyd Withers, Melissa Withers, Rylee Gill, Milena Podhrazsky, Irene Carman, Ray Meehr, Ella Meehr, Diane Eckert, Matthew Scott, Jenna Thompson, and Frank Thompson

Supervisor Rarick called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

1. Approval of minutes- A motion was made by Peter Wilson and seconded by Thomas Johnston to approve April 2026, minutes as read.

Kevin Rarick, Aye
Peter Wilson Aye
Thomas Johnston, Aye
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye
Alicia Dewey, Aye All in favor motion carried.

2. Rob Campany gave the residents and the town board a tour of the LA Sewer Lagoon, Rob also explained modifications that are needed per the DEC.

3. Financial Report- Board received report. A motion was made by Alicia Dewey and seconded by Mary Ford-Waterman to approve the April 2026 financial report.

Kevin Rarick, Aye
Peter Wilson Aye
Thomas Johnston, Aye
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye
Alicia Dewey, Aye All in favor motion carried.

4. Public hearing for Supervisor term from 2yr to a 4yr 7:30pm- Public Hearing was opened at 7:35pm – Jim Burrows spoke to the public. No public comments were made. A motion was made by Peter Wilson and seconded by Thomas Johnston to close public hearing.

Kevin Rarick, Aye
Peter Wilson Aye
Thomas Johnston, Aye
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye
Alicia Dewey, Aye All in favor motion carried.

Public Hearing Closed at 7:39pm

5. Tom LaClair, Historian – Invited town board and residents to a Dedication on Saturday June 20th at the Stone Mills Cemetery for a Pomeroy Marker Dedication for patriot soldier William Collins.

6. Lee Shimel update- Lee updated town board on zoning matters. Lee stated the county planning department adopted a motion recommending approval of zoning law amendments. Town board will hold a public hearing for proposed zoning law amendment on June 11th at 7:30pm

7. Luke Smith Highway update- Luke updated town board.

8. LWRP Grant discussion – Discussion was held. Town board is fine with applying for LWRP Grant.

9. Riley Gill of Gilco was here regarding lot line adjustment between Gilco and Town of Orleans. Jim Burrows spoke on procedure board will need to do. Riley Gill will email Town Clerk a proposal.

10. Paul Wagner of Hutchins Haven Drive spoke and stated the town needs to update our property management ordinance. Discussion was held. Paul complained about neighboring property.

11. Kimberly Fitchette complained about condition of town.

12. Karen Schell would like to know where the Thompsons are with the progress of their store. Jenna and St. Lawrence Federal Bank agent spoke on behalf of Thompson's process should be another 6 months.

13. Data Collection Services proposal for town signs- Discussion was held on proposal town board received last month. A motion was made by Alicia Dewey and seconded by Thomas Johnston to approve data collection proposal from Claude & Valerie Phelps, not to exceed $7,500 dollars.

14. Town Clerk Report reviewed

15. Bills audited in the amount of $132,423.86

A motion was made by Mary Ford- Waterman and seconded by Peter Wilson to go into executive session for possibly litigation

Kevin Rarick, Aye
Peter Wilson Aye
Thomas Johnston, Aye
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye
Alicia Dewey, Aye All in favor motion carried.

Entered executive session at 8:41pm
Exit executive session at 9:42pm

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

Kevin Rarick, Aye
Peter Wilson Aye
Thomas Johnston, Aye
Mary Ford-Waterman, Aye
Alicia Dewey, Aye All in favor motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43pm

Respectfully submitted
Tammy Donnelly