TOWN OF KIRKWOOD SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

July 1, 2025

A special meeting of the Kirkwood Town Board was held on July 1, 2025 at 6 PM at the Joseph A. Griffin Town Hall with Supervisor Lewis Grubham presiding.

Present: Supervisor Lewis Grubham

Councilmember William Diffendorf, Jr.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion - Purchase of 2026 Volvo Plow Truck from Burr Truck & Trailer Sales,

Inc. Since this Special Meeting was advertised regarding the water treatment project it was decided to just discuss the Volvo truck rather than make any purchasing decisions at this point. Poe Williams explained that if the paperwork is signed by the middle of July the new Volvo truck would be available by November. He believes he could get about \$40,000 for the International truck that is being used now and put that towards the total cost of the new Volvo truck. Supervisor Grubham noted there is money in the budget equipment line. The International truck is a 2017 and constantly in the garage being fixed (oil leaks, air leaks, not starting, etc.). Mr. McKertich mentioned a state bid number or a Town competitive bidding process will be needed if the Board decides to move forward with the purchase of this truck.

Councilmember Diffendorf moved to adopt resolution to Declare Intent to Serve as Lead Agency (SEQR) to Review the Potential Environmental Impacts Resulting from Planned Rehabilitation of the Town of Kirkwood Water Treatment Plan to Address Water Quality Issues and Ensure Compliance with Drinking Water Regulations, in accordance with the attached resolution. Councilmember Wasson seconded.

Discussion. Supervisor Grubham reiterated that the Town is upgrading its water plant and putting in a filtration system to help solve the water problems the Town is currently facing. It could cost up to 2 million dollars and our Engineer (Bill Brown, Delaware Engineering) is going to work with the State to try and access grant money to help decrease the overall cost of the new system. The Town needs to be declared lead agency to get the project moving forward and that is the purpose of this resolution.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Diffendorf - yes

Councilmember Wasson - yes
Councilmember Legg - yes
Councilmember Latini - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

106:25 Declare Town Lead Agency for Water Treatment Project

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ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Latini moved to adopt resolution to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Diffendorf seconded. All voted in favor.

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Meeting adjourned at 6:09 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kelley M. Diffendorf Town Clerk