



# VILLAGE OF COLONIE

## VILLAGE HALL

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TRUSTEE

**MARK P. STEVENS**  
TRUSTEE

**JAMIE L. BLOT**  
VILLAGE CLERK

## MINUTES

### MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2025**

**6:30 P.M.**

The meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees was held on Monday, October 6, 2025, at 2 Thunder Road, Albany, NY 12205. Mayor Rubino opened the meeting at 6:30 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:	Mayor Rubino	Present
	Deputy Mayor Prevratil	Present
	Trustee Lockart	Present
	Trustee DePaulo	Present
	Trustee Stevens	Present
	Clerk Blot	Present
	Attorney Javier Mendez	Present

Minutes of the regular meeting held on September 15, 2025, were reviewed by the present members of the board.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to approve the minutes, as presented.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockart.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

Motion passed.

There was a presentation of a proclamation to Erwin "Dom" Dominguez from Mayor Rubino and the Board of Trustees for his dedication towards for 2025 Veterans Stand Down. Mr. Dominguez was also presented with a key to the Village.

There was a presentation of a proclamation to Clerk Jamie Blot from Mayor Rubino and the Board of Trustees, the proclamation was read aloud by Deputy Clerk Hannah Curran. The proclamation was to recognize Clerk Blot's commitment to the Village and her 5<sup>th</sup> year in attendance at the New York Conference of Mayor's training school. Clerk Blot was also presented with a key to the Village.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-67 "Establish offices for the March 2026 Village Election".

Trustee Lockart made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-67, as presented.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.  
Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested authorization to advertise for the March 2026 Village Election listing offices to be filled.

Trustee Lockart made a motion to authorize Clerk Blot to advertise, as requested.  
The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Prevratil.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.  
Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-68 “October 2025 – Water adjustment no. 1 – South Colonie School District”.

Mayor Rubino explained that there was an incorrect meter installed by the school district at both Saddlewood and Forest Park school years back, and this adjustment is due to an overcharge in water from that meter issue.

Trustee Stevens made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-68, as presented.  
The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Prevratil.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.  
Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested authorization to advertise for a public hearing to be held on Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. for Resolution 2025-69 “Authorize to expend funds out of the capital reserve DPW equipment fund for the purchase of various equipment”, for the purchase of a scissor lift and a light tower, amount not to exceed \$50,000.

Mayor Rubino explained that we requested and will be receiving a grant from Assemblyman Phil Steck through the Ways and Means Committee NYS Dormitory Authority for this purchase, but we must spend the funds to receive the grant funding reimbursement.

Trustee DePaulo made a motion to authorize the Clerk to advertise, as requested.  
The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockart.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.  
Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-70 “Authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Walters Co. for the 2025-2026 Commercial Service Contract for heating and cooling”.

Mayor Rubino explained that we have reviewed the contract and are in need of a commercial servicer for our heating and cooling needs and Walters Co. is a Village business, and we wish to enter into an agreement for services with them.

Trustee Lockart made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-70, as presented.  
The motion was seconded by Trustee DePaulo.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.  
Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Local Law #5 of 2025 “Amendments to the Village of Colonie Code” a local law amending the Village of Colonie code Chapter 68 “Animals” to add Article IV: Cats.

Mayor Rubino asked Village Attorney Javier Mendez to provide an explanation regarding the proposed local law, to which Counsel Mendez stated a public hearing was held on August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at which time the proposed local law was presented to the public for public engagement and feedback. He said that the Village has identified that this is a significant issue in the Village and while individuals may be well intended in feeding stray/feral cats, it causes complications and health hazards, and this local law is to address these concerns and give guidelines to addressing some of these concerns. He said feeding feral cats causes other issues and attracts other vermin to the area, he added there is not a lot of legislation concerning this issue at the moment, and the Village is looking to take this leading step to address this problem. He stated that the Village wants to address this issue in a humane way, and added the program provides guidelines to help with the feral cat issue and stated that we’ve made contacts with other organizations who have been interested on how we are approaching the issue, and they’ve offered to help individuals who want to continue feeding the animals, with guidance on trapping, spaying, neutering, and advisement. He stated that this is a steppingstone in the right direction to address this problem.

Deputy Mayor Prevratil made a motion to approve Local Law #5 of 2025, as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockart.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.  
Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-71 “Request for home rule legislation be established – cameras for monitoring speed on Village roads in the Village of Colonie”. Mayor Rubino explained that traffic, especially speed is an issue here in the Village. He said that we can’t keep relying on installing speed humps to solve the speed issue. He said that legislation is necessary is we want to pursue speed cameras, so we need this home rule request to move forward with speed camera pathway. He said this is the first step and that we will need to be patient with the process. He said that he gets about 20 phone calls a week from concerned residents about speed in the Village. He also added that this isn’t a money maker, he said funding from this would help pay for the program itself and would be put back into making the streets safer. He said he would keep everyone informed as more develops with this effort. He said that once more progresses and if we are successful in the speed camera installation, a public hearing will be held. Mayor Rubino also commended the police department on all they do; he added that it is a lot to maintain, and they’ve done a tremendous job, but we can’t expect them to sit and run radar all day long, they don’t have the time or manpower.

Deputy Mayor Prevratil made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-71, as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockart.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.  
Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-72 “Transfer of funds from fund balance to capital reserve funds”.

Mayor Rubino explained that at the close of our 2024-2025 budget, we reviewed the funds remaining in our fund balance and would like to make this transfer into our capital reserves.

Trustee Lockart made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-72, as presented.  
The motion was seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.  
Motion passed.

Mayor Rubino stated that the 2025 Veterans Stand Down was a great success, and that really signified what it means when the Village says, “a place to be proud of”. He added that no Village tax dollars were used to do that, it was all done with donations, and mentioned a few donors: Mission BBQ, Luizzi Bros., Bimbo Bakeries. Mayor Rubino read aloud names of employees who volunteered their time to help with the event, and thanked them for all their help, he said it was a tremendous day. He also thanked the South Colonie School District who helped provide shuttle buses for the day, and the Town of Colonie who provided golf carts, and mentioned how nice it was to see Supervisor Crummey there to support our Village. He also recognized the Town of Colonie Police and EMS and our Colonie Fire Department for all their efforts for the day, he said it was a beautiful Saturday. Mayor Rubino also said that John Rodier who sang the National Anthem and John Dooley who played the bagpipes did a wonderful job the day of the stand down. Mayor Rubino also said that Shaker Road provided their ladder truck out front with the beautiful flag hanging from it for the stand down which was such a nice touch.

Deputy Mayor Prevratil said that he received word from Colonie Youth Baseball, and they had a wonderful season at the snack shake providing food for our Tuesday Concert Series and were able to raise money for the youth baseball fund. Everyone said that it really worked out well, and concert goers seemed to like the food, we received no complaints this year.

Trustee Lockart said she attended the firehouse picnic, and it was great.

Trustee DePaulo said it was an honor to take part in the 2025 Veteran Stand Down. He said all the smiles were great to see.

Trustee Stevens said he was very proud of the Village and to be a member of the Board of the Village, he added that he’s lived here for 40 years.

Chief Kayser read the September 2025 fire report. Chief Kayser thanked the board for attending the picnic over the weekend, he added that seeing them meant a lot to the members. He stated that he had 12 volunteers for the stand down, including the fire police, adding it was an honorable endeavor.

Mayor Rubino stated he had a great time at the picnic and thanked the Chief.

Reports Submitted:

Senior center expenditure vs. revenue report 9/8/2025-9/19/2025

Senior center expenditure vs. revenue report 9/22/2025-10/3/2025

Recreation center report – September 2025

Fire Department – September 2025

Abstract #9

General: \$270,413.41

Water: \$14,160.01

Sewer: \$221,860.94

**Total: \$506,434.36**

Trustee Stevens made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

This motion was seconded by Trustee Lockart.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie L. Blot

Village Clerk