



# Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of the Town Board

Thursday, January 8, 2026

5:00 PM

Town Hall

1. **BOARD OF THE TOWN OF COLONIE**
2. **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING - JANUARY 8, 2026 – 5:00 PM**
3. **5:00 PM Ceremonial Swearing In Ceremonies**
4. **Call to Order**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Peter G. Crummey	Supervisor	Present	
Rick J Field	Councilman	Present	
Kristen N. Blais	Councilwoman	Present	
Julian Kovacs	Councilman	Present	
Mark McCumber	Councilman	Present	
Joel Weingarten	Councilman	Present	
Alvin Gamble	Councilman	Present	
David M.. Brickner	Town Attorney	Present	
Julie Gansle	Town Clerk	Present	

5. **Pledge of Allegiance**
6. **Personnel: Resolution No. 1**

A. Jessica M. Kaercher

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

B. Carrie A. Blanchard

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

C. Chenelle M. Tremblay

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**7. General**

Resolution No. 2 designating official newspaper.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 3 fixing amounts of bonds of Town officers, clerks and employees.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 4 appointing Frederick J. Field, Sr. as Deputy Supervisor.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Rick J Field

**8. Assessor**

Resolution No. 5 authorizing settlement or discontinuance, subject to judicial approval of the same, pursuant to §68 of the Town Law, of a tax certiorari proceeding.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**9. Building & Fire Services**

Resolution No. 6 authorizing the Supervisor to execute Amendment No. 3 with LaBella Associates, PC, in connection with the 2025 Town Hall Window Replacement Project.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**10. Community Development**

Resolution No. 7 calling a public hearing establishing date, time and place for a public hearing on the Town of Colonie’s Community Development Block Grant and HOME Programs.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 8 authorizing the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with Joseph E. Mastrianni, Inc. in connection with the administration of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 9 authorizing the Supervisor to enter into a renewal agreement with Paul D. Shepard for Federal Housing Quality Standard inspection services in connection with the Residential Rehabilitation Program for 2026.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**11. DPW**

Resolution No. 10 authorizing the Supervisor to enter into Agreements with the Greenman-Pederson, Inc., Creighton Manning Engineering & Surveying, PLLC, and Advance Engineering & Surveying, PLLC, in connection with Construction Inspection Services.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 11 rescinding all prior rates for hired trucks for the DPW/Highway Division and adopting new rates for the calendar year 2026.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**12. General Services**

Resolution No. 12 awarding the bid to Brigar Xpress Solutions, Inc. (d/b/a Digital Xpress), Camelot Print & Copy Centers, Concept Print, Inc., and Envelopes and Printed Products in connection with Townwide Printing and authorizing the Supervisor to enter into agreements for the same.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 13 authorizing the Director of Purchasing and General Services to reject all bids received in connection with the Window Replacement and Install at Memorial Town Hall and to re-advertise for the same.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**13. Human Resources**

Resolution No. 14 authorizing the Supervisor to enter into agreements with Safety Psychology, PLLC in connection with providing required pre-employment evaluations.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 15 authorizing an increase in salaries of non-bargaining unit and elected and appointed job titles.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**14. Parks & Recreation**

Resolution No. 16 authorizing the Director of Purchasing and General Services to advertise for bids in connection with the replacement of store front doors and windows at the Town of Colonie Golf Course Restaurant.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**15. PEDD**

Resolution No. 17 rescinding all prior Land Use Review Fees and adopting a new Planning and Economic Development Land Use Review Fee Schedule for the calendar year 2026.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**16. Police**

Resolution No. 18 authorizing the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with MJ Engineering, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Land Surveying, PLLC, in connection with 3D Forensics Surveying and Engineering Services for the Police Department.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 19 awarding the bid to Gallo Construction Corporation in connection with the Interior Partition Project at the Public Safety Center and authorizing the Supervisor to execute agreements for the same.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**17. Pure Waters**

Resolution No. 20 authorizing the Supervisor to declare an emergency in connection with repair of the sewer lateral at 57 Wertman Lane by ANJO Construction, Ltd.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 21 authorizing the Supervisor to declare an emergency in connection with repair of the sewer lateral at 32 Gadsen Court by ANJO Construction, Ltd.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 22 authorizing the Supervisor to execute an Engineering Agreement with Arcadis of New York, Inc. in connection with general engineering services for the DPW/Division of Pure Waters for 2026.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 23 rescinding all prior Fee Schedules for the DPW/Division of Pure Waters and adopting a new Fee Schedule for the calendar year 2026.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**18. Town Attorney’s Office**

Resolution No. 24 authorizing the Supervisor to enter into agreements in connection with the Town Attorney’s Office operations.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

Resolution No. 25 authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc., in connection with the retention of certain insurance policies through various carriers.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

**19. Boards and Committees**

Resolution No. 26 appointing members to the Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

1. Resolution No. 27 appointing members to the Library Board of Trustees.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

2. Resolution No. 28 appointing or reappointing members to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [6 TO 1]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Gamble
<b>NAYS:</b>	Joel Weingarten

Prior to the adoption of this resolution Councilman Weingarten moved to appoint Dan Hornick to the Zoning Board of Appeals, motion seconded by Councilman Kovacs, the motion failed/defeated (3-3-0)

Crummey- No/Nay  
 Field-Abstained  
 Blais- No/Nay  
 Gamble-Yes/Aye  
 Kovacs-Yes/Aye  
 McCumber- No/Nay  
 Weingarten- Yes/Aye

3. Resolution No. 29 authorizing a Market Adjustment to the salary of the Town Attorney effective January 1, 2026.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble

4. Resolution No. 30 appointing Jason M. Moskowitz to the position of Clerk of the Court in the Justice Department.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Kristen N. Blais, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark McCumber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Crummey, Field, Blais, Kovacs, McCumber, Weingarten, Gamble