

# TOWN OF KENDALL NEWSLETTER



**WELCOME TO OUR FIRST EDITION OF THE TOWN OF KENDALL EMAIL NEWS.**

**WE ARE PLANNING ON THIS BEING A QUARTARLYLY INFORMATIVE NEWSLETTER. WE PLAN ON ADDING TO THE NEWSLETTER AS WE GO,, SO IF YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS OR OTHER IMPUT PLEASE LET US KNOW. ONE OF THE OTHER ADDITIONS IS A BUSINESS DIRECTORY.WE WILL ALSO INCLUDE OTHER HAPPENINGS WITHIN THE TOWN, AT THE FIRE HALL, CHURCHES AND OTHER EVENTS.**



**70th ANNUAL**

**Kendall-Hamlin Euchre Tournament**

Open to all Kendall & Hamlin Residents

All you need is a good partner and a lot of luck!

- Wednesday, January 22, 2025 @ Kendall Fire Hall - Kendall
- Wednesday, January 29, 2025 **NOTE NEW LOCATION** @ Hamlin Exempts - Hamlin
- Wednesday, February 5, 2025 @ Kendall Fire Hall - Kendall

**The Fun begins at 6:30 PM**

The losing Town buys the winning Town a fish fry at The Grove 1848



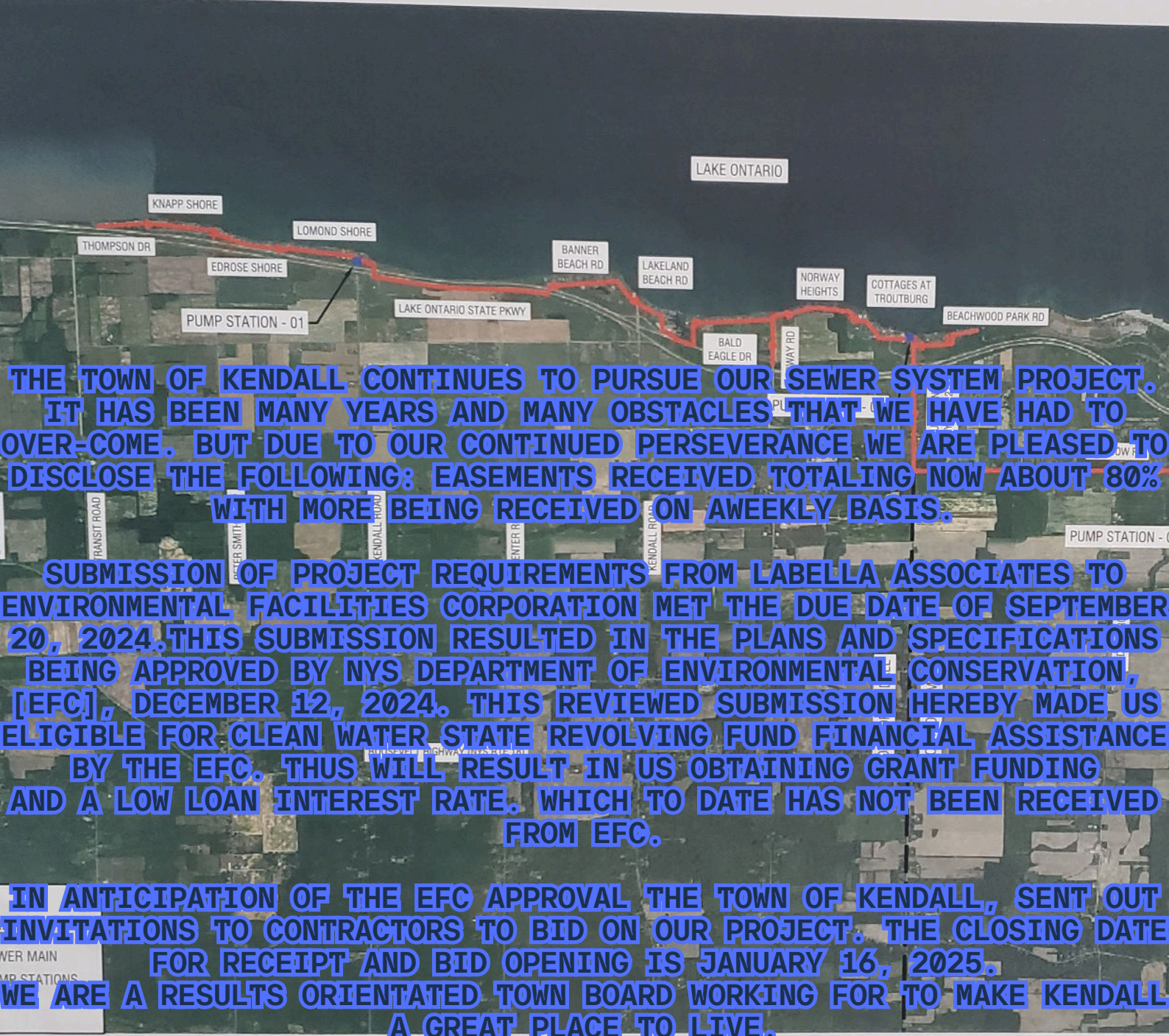
**IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN.**  
THE 2025 TAX BILLS ARE OUT! PAYMENT IS AVAILABLE AT 1873 KENDALL RD IN THE TOWN OF KENDALL, MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, FROM 9:00AM TO NOON AND 1:00PM TP 3:30PM, AND MONDAYS FROM 7:00PM UNTILL 9:00PM, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECIEVING TAXES. TAXES MAY ALSO BE DEPOSITED INTO THE DROP BOX TO THE LEFT OF THE FRONT DOOR OF THE TOWN HALL. TAXES CAN ALSO BE MAILED TO TAX COLLECTOR, P.O. BOX 474 KENDALL, NY 14476. TAXES MAY BE PAID ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2024 WITHOUT PENALTY.



# The Town of Kendall

"A great place to grow!"

Building community values  
SINCE 1812



**THE TOWN OF KENDALL CONTINUES TO PURSUE OUR SEWER SYSTEM PROJECT. IT HAS BEEN MANY YEARS AND MANY OBSTACLES THAT WE HAVE HAD TO OVER-COME. BUT DUE TO OUR CONTINUED PERSEVERANCE WE ARE PLEASED TO DISCLOSE THE FOLLOWING: EASEMENTS RECEIVED TOTALING NOW ABOUT 80% WITH MORE BEING RECEIVED ON A WEEKLY BASIS.**

**SUBMISSION OF PROJECT REQUIREMENTS FROM LABELLA ASSOCIATES TO ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION MET THE DUE DATE OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2024. THIS SUBMISSION RESULTED IN THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS BEING APPROVED BY NYS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION, [EFC], DECEMBER 12, 2024. THIS REVIEWED SUBMISSION HEREBY MADE US ELIGIBLE FOR CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY THE EFC. THIS WILL RESULT IN US OBTAINING GRANT FUNDING AND A LOW LOAN INTEREST RATE. WHICH TO DATE HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED FROM EFC.**

**IN ANTICIPATION OF THE EFC APPROVAL THE TOWN OF KENDALL, SENT OUT INVITATIONS TO CONTRACTORS TO BID ON OUR PROJECT. THE CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT AND BID OPENING IS JANUARY 16, 2025. WE ARE A RESULTS ORIENTATED TOWN BOARD WORKING FOR TO MAKE KENDALL A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE.**

# WATER DISTRICT 11:

THE KENDALL TOWN BOARD HAS BEEN WORKING ON WATER DISTRICT 11 FOR SEVERAL YEARS. USDA DELAYED THEIR THRESHOLDS FOR GRANTS AND LOANS FOR ALMOST A YEAR AFTER THE CENSUS BUREAU ANNOUNCED THEIR RESULTS. AS IN PAST YEARS THE CENSUS BUREAU RESULTS, WE BELIEVE WERE INCORRECT. THUS, WE HAD TO HAVE PERMISSION FROM USDA TO OBTAIN INCOME SURVEYS. WE RECEIVED THEIR PERMISSION AND AFTER INCOME SURVEY COMPLETION SUBMITTED OUR FINDINGS TO THEM FOR THEIR APPROVAL TO PROCEED. USDA APPROVED OUR FINDINGS AND APPROVED US GOING FORWARD.

NEXT STEPS: LABELLA ASSOCIATES IS IN THE PROCESS OF PREPARING A PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT FOR USDA TO REVIEW AND APPROVE. ONCE APPROVED, THE KENDALL TOWN BOARD WILL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING WITH RESIDENTS RESIDING IN THE PROPOSED WATER DISTRICT OUTLINING VARIOUS DETAILS AS WELL AS ANSWERING QUESTIONS ABOUT THE WATER DISTRICT. MORE INFORMATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING ONCE WE HAVE FINAL APPROVAL FROM USDA.

## *YOUR CURTIS PARK UPDATE*

ON FEBRUARY 8, 2024, THE MORTON FIRE COMPANY GAVE THE TOWN OF KENDALL APPROXIMATELY 6 ACRES OF LAND ON COUNTYLINE ROAD, KNOWN AS CURTIS PARK FOR RECREATIONAL USE AND ACTIVITIES. WE HAVE FORMED AN AD HOC COMMITTEE OF KENDALL RESIDENTS THAT MEET MONTHLY AT THE TOWN HALL. THE COMMITTEE HAS PUT FORTH MANY IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS. AT PRESENT THE LAND IS BEING SURVEYED AND WE ARE WORKING WITH A GRANT WRITER TO OBTAIN A MAP PLANNING STUDY.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL BARB FLOW AT [BFLOW@TOWNOFKENDALL](mailto:BFLOW@TOWNOFKENDALL).



**250TH BIRTHDAY**

**THE UNITED STATES TURNS 250 YEARS OLD IN 2026!!**

**THE TOWN BOARD IS PLANNING ON HAVING A CELEBRATION ON JULY 3RD 2026 WITH FIREWORKS AND MORE. ANYONE WISHING TO HELP PLAN THIS CELEBRATION PLEASE EMAIL [DBENTLEY@TOWNOFKENDALL.COM](mailto:DBENTLEY@TOWNOFKENDALL.COM)**

***KENDALL RESIDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED***

**KENDALL RESIDENTS NEEDED FOR PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**THE TOWN OF KENDALL RECEIVED A SMART GROWTH COMMUNITY PLANNING PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO PREPARE A TOWN OF KENDALL SMART GROWTH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WAS LAST UPDATED IN 1997 AND SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND USE (E.G., SOLAR FARM INSTALLATIONS, TROUTBURG PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT), SCHOOL POPULATION AND RESIDENT DEMOGRAPHICS HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THEN.**

**KENDALL WAS ALSO AWARDED A GRANT FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & MARKETS FOR PREPARATION OF AN AGRICULTURAL AND FARMLAND PROTECTION PLAN. KENDALL IS PRIMARILY AN AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY WHICH MEANS THIS PLAN WILL BE AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT OF THE OVERALL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.**

**THE TOWN BOARD WILL ENGAGE A CONSULTING FIRM TO GUIDE THE OVERALL PROCESS. IT WILL ALSO ESTABLISH A PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE PLAN DEVELOPMENT IN COOPERATION WITH KENDALL ELECTED OFFICIALS, OTHER KENDALL BOARDS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THIS PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL HAVE A DIVERSE RANGE OF STAKEHOLDERS AND WILL INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE MEMBER FROM THE KENDALL PLANNING BOARD, AS WELL AS FARMERS, BUSINESS OWNERS, AND RESIDENTS FROM A RANGE OF ETHNIC, SOCIAL, AND CULTURAL BACKGROUNDS.**

**KENDALL IS REQUESTING RESIDENT PARTICIPATION AS MEMBERS OF THIS PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE WILL HELP GUIDE THE PLANNING PROCESS, PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS, GENERATE IDEAS AND BUILD CONSENSUS, AND PROVIDE THE CONSULTANT TEAM WITH RELEVANT INFORMATION REFLECTING THE COMMUNITY'S CURRENT CONDITION AND NEEDS.**

**THEY WILL ALSO PROVIDE FEEDBACK ON MATERIALS DRAFTED BY THE CONSULTANT TEAM, SUPPORT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND OUTREACH EFFORTS, AND SET THE STAGE FOR THE PLAN'S IMPLEMENTATION. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS IMPORTANT PROCESS PLEASE CONTACT:**

**BRUCE NEWELL KENDALL PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN 585-705-1835  
[PLANNING@TOWNOFKENDALL.COM](mailto:PLANNING@TOWNOFKENDALL.COM)**

# HISTORY OF KENDALL

IT SEEMED FITTING FOR THE HISTORIAN'S FIRST CONTRIBUTION TO THIS NEWSLETTER TO BEGIN AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PLACE WE CALL HOME. UNTIL THE MID-1600S, OUR PORTION OF WHAT IS NOW NEW YORK WAS PART OF THE TERRITORY OF THE WENROHRONON OR WENRO PEOPLE, WHICH EXTENDED FROM THE EASTERN SHORE OF THE NIAGARA RIVER TO THE WESTERN SHORE OF THE GENESEE RIVER VALLEY. THEIR TERRITORY, ALONG WITH SOME REMNANTS OF THE TRIBE WERE ABSORBED INTO THE SENECA AFTER THEY WERE CONQUERED DURING THE BEAVER WARS. MUCH OF WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT THE WENROHRONON IS WHAT JESUIT MISSIONARIES LEARNED FROM REFUGEES TAKEN IN BY THE HURON. WHILE STILL COLONIES, BOTH NEW YORK AND MASSACHUSETTS CLAIMED THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE NATIVES TO BUY WESTERN NEW YORK AND THIS WAS GIVEN TO MASSACHUSETTS IN THE 1786 TREATY OF HARTFORD. IN 1788 THE RIGHT WAS BOUGHT ON CREDIT BY OLIVER PHELPS AND NATHANIEL GORHAM BUT THE PORTION WEST OF THE GENESEE REVERTED TO THE STATE AFTER THEY DEFAULTED ON PAYMENTS. ROBERT MORRIS NEXT BOUGHT THE LAND RIGHTS AS FIVE PARCELS. IT WASN'T UNTIL THE TREATY OF BIG TREE IN 1796 THAT MORRIS AND OTHER LAND SPECULATORS WERE ABLE TO OFFICIALLY PURCHASE THE LAND FROM THE SENECA. HOWEVER, MORRIS WAS NEVER ABLE TO DEVELOP, THE PORTION THAT INCLUDES KENDALL WAS SOLD TO CONNECTICUT AFTER HIS OWN DEBTS CAUGHT UP WITH HIM AND HE WAS FORCED TO SURRENDER ACREAGE HE HAD MORTGAGED AND LIQUIDATE THE REST OF HIS ASSETS AT A LOSS.

THE OBSTACLES TO THE SETTLEMENT OF OUR AREA WERE NOT ONLY LIMITED TO COMPLEX OWNERSHIP RIGHTS AND FINANCING, HOWEVER. SURVEYING NEEDED TO BE DONE BEFORE ANY LOTS COULD BE SOLD, WHICH TOOK YEARS TO COMPLETE AND WAS OFTEN INACCURATE (ADDING TO LEGAL DIFFICULTIES). THE KENDALL AREA WAS SO THICKLY FORESTED THAT THE TREE CANOPY BLOCKED OUT THE SUN, LENDING IT THE NICKNAME THE BLACK NORTH, AND MOSQUITOES THRIVED IN THE BOGS AND SWAMPS, CAUSING ILLNESS. SETTLERS HAD TO DRIVE OUT WOLVES BEFORE THEY FELT IT WAS SAFE TO BRING THEIR FAMILIES TO THE LITTLE HOMESTEADS THEY HAD CARVED OUT OF THE WOODS. ROADS HAD YET TO BE DEVELOPED, ONLY GOING AS FAR AS HAMLIN UNTIL RESIDENTS BUILT THEM WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OR SUPPORT OF ANY AUTHORITIES.

DESPITE THESE STRUGGLES AND THE OTHER, COMPARATIVELY MORE MUNDANE TRIALS OF DAILY LIFE IN THE EARLY 19 TH CENTURY, IN 1812 SAMUEL BATES, BORN AND RAISED IN CONNECTICUT, CAME FROM VERMONT AND MADE HIS HOME IN WHAT WAS THEN CALLED NORTH MURRAY, FOLLOWED BY OTHERS FROM VERMONT, CONNECTICUT, AND MASSACHUSETTS. IN 1837, AROUND 200 YEARS AFTER THE WENROHRONON WERE CONQUERED BY THE IROQUOIS, THE TOWN OF MURRAY SPLIT, AND KENDALL OUR HOMETOWN WAS FOUNDED. WHAT A JOURNEY IT HAS BEEN AND WHAT MEMORIES WE'LL REVISIT AS WE HEAD INTO 2025, THE YEAR OF ANNIVERSARIES - 200 YEARS SINCE THE FOUNDING OF ORLEANS COUNTY, THE COMPLETION OF THE ERIE CANAL, AND THE ARRIVAL OF THE NORWEGIAN SLOOPERS TO KENDALL.

## KENDALL TOWN LIBRARY

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING GOOD TO READ DURING THESE LONG, COLD WINTER MONTHS? COME BROWSE THE SHELVES OF THE KENDALL TOWN LIBRARY LOCATED IN THE TOWN HALL. WHETHER YOUR PREFERENCE IS A MYSTERY, THRILLER, ROMANCE, SOMETHING HUMOROUS, HISTORICAL FICTION, NON-FICTION, OR BIOGRAPHY, YOU CAN FIND IT IN OUR LIBRARY. NEED LARGE PRINT TO READ COMFORTABLY? RATHER LISTEN TO AN AUDIO BOOK? WE'VE GOT THEM. NEED A CHILDREN'S BOOK? GOT THEM TOO.

WHAT'S THE LAST BOOK EILEEN READ AND CAN RECOMMEND? MOLOKA'I BY ALAN BRENNERT. THE LEPER COLONY OF KALAUPAPA ON THE ISLAND OF MOLOKA'I SOUNDS LIKE A HORRIBLE DEPRESSING PLACE TO HAVE TO LIVE. SEVEN YEAR-OLD RACHEL IS TAKEN FROM HER FAMILY AND SENT THERE ON HER OWN WHEN HER FAMILY IS NO LONGER ABLE TO HIDE THE LEPROUS LESIONS ON HER SKIN. THERE SHE IS EXPECTED TO LIVE OUT A SAD, SHORT, LIFE WITHOUT FAMILY OR FRIENDS, BUT SHE FINDS BOTH IN A COMMUNITY WHERE PEOPLE ARE NOT JUST WAITING TO DIE, BUT TO LIVE SURPRISINGLY FULL LIVES OF LOVE, JOY, EVERYDAY EXPERIENCES AND YES SADNESS.

COME TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS SERVICE OF THE TOWN OF KENDALL.

## KENDALL GARDEN CLUB

THE TOWN OF KENDALL GARDEN CLUB MEETS ONCE A MONTH AT THE TOWN HALL. THEIR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE THE BEAUTIFICATION OF THE TOWN WITH COMMUNITY PLANTERS, MAKING WREATHS FOR THE CEMETERY, EDUCATIONAL LECTURES, ANNUAL GERANIUM SALE, TRIPS, AND GARDEN RELATED CRAFTS. OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE KENDALL TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025, AT 7:00 P.M. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CALL NANCY WALKER OR BARB FLOW AT 659-8721.

THANK YOU TO  
FIRST

ALL MILITARY AND  
RESPONDERS

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