

**Kirkland, Oneida Co. NY  
(Clinton)**

At a meeting of a number of the inhabitants of the town of Kirkland at the Free Church in the Village of Clinton on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 1831, convened in pursuance of public notice legally given for the purpose of reorganizing a religious Society, Jonathan Day & Tertius Ellenwood were duly appointed chairman [sic]. 1. The meeting proceeded to elect six Trustees & on counting the votes Eli Peck, David Pixley[,] Amaziah Stebbins[,] Lester Barker[,] William Carpenter and John H. Tower were duly elected. 2. The Trustees were then divided into three classes & on drawing lots Lester Barker & John H. Tower were included in the first class and will hold their office for one year[,] Eli Peck & William Carpenter were included in the second class & will hold their office for two years & David Pixley & Amaziah Stebbins were included in the third class & will hold their office three years from the date of their election. 3. Adopted the following preamble & resolution[:]  
Whereas the original Society organized in this place was known & distinguished by the name of the Free Church Society which by now has ceased to be a Society in Law therefore resolved that there are good and sufficient reasons for altering the name of said Society & that this Society be hereafter known by the name & title of the First Universalist Society in Clinton. 4. Voted that the annual meeting of the Society be held hereafter on the first Monday in May in each succeeding year for the election of Trustees & the transaction of other business appertaining to said Society. 5. Voted that this meeting be now adjourned sine die[.]  
Clinton June 6 1831.

*Jonathan Day  
Tertius Ellenwood*

State of New York

Oneida County

On the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 1836 before me personally came Tertius Ellenwood & Jonathan Day the signers of the within instrument to me known and acknowledged the execution of the same for the uses & purposes [sic]

*J. Pond  
Com<sup>r</sup> &c*

Recorded this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July AD 1831 at 12 oclock M

*J. H. Ostrum Clerk*

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