

**PRESENT** Mayor Welch, Deputy Mayor Eydt, Trustee Conde, Trustee Coppins, Law Counsel Leone, Engineer Marino, Superintendent Wills, Clerk Fundis, Treasurer Longwell, Deputy Clerk Cassick, Deputy Superintendent Mang, Police Captain Salada, Fire Chief Beebe, Recreation Director McDermott, Historian Piper

**EXCUSED** Trustee Fittante, Building Inspector/Zoning Officer Candella

**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION – BEAUTIFICATION**

Mayor Welch opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:02pm. Welch and the Board of Trustees presented Lewiston Beautification with a certificate of appreciation for all their hard work on Center Street and throughout the village.

**PUBLIC HEARING** Mayor Welch opened the public hearing to adopt Local Law 2-2024 – Amend Sec. 8 – Zoning Schedule (See attached document) at 6:04pm. No residents were present to speak. A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Deputy Mayor Eydt and passed unanimously to close the public hearing at 6:05pm.

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Welch called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

**MINUTES** A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Deputy Mayor Eydt and passed unanimously to approve the August 19, 2024 and September 3, 2024 minutes. Trustee Conde abstained from voting on September 3, 2024 minutes because he was not present.

**BILLS** A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve the September 2024 bills as presented by Treasurer Longwell in the following amounts:

General Fund: \$242,910.68  
Trust & Agency: \$5,885.56  
Total: \$248,796.24

**REPORTS** **Recreation Director McDermott** said we are officially working with the Village of Youngstown for the basketball program. We will have a league format, with weekly practices, games on Wednesday and Saturday. This will give enough space to host this volume.

**LIAISON REPORTS** **Trustee Coppins** spoke on the progress that occurred at the recent joint meeting to discuss the police contract with Trustee Conde and members of the Town of Lewiston Board.

**NEW BUSINESS** **Local Law #2-2024 – to amend Sec. 8 – Zoning Schedule**  
A motion was made by Trustee Conde and seconded by Deputy Mayor Eydt to adopt Local Law 2-2024 – to amend Sec. 8 – Zoning Schedule.

Clerk Fundis polled the board and the motion passed with the following results:  
Conde – Yes    Coppins – Yes    Eydt – Yes    Welch - Yes

**Lewiston Fire Company No. 1 Conditional Memberships**  
A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve the following Lewiston Fire Company No. 1 Conditional Memberships:

Eric Marshall  
Joseph Falcone

**Boy Scout Troop 855 Christmas Tree Sale @ Academy Park**  
A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve the facilities use request made by Boy Scout Troop 855 for use of Academy Park at the corner of Cayuga St. and S. 9<sup>th</sup> St. for their annual Christmas Tree Sale from approximately November 23, 2024 to December 16, 2024.

**Facilities Use Request – Barry Entertainment @ Academy Park**

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve the facilities use request made by Barry Entertainment for use of Academy Park and the bandshell from 12pm to 9pm every Wednesday from July 9, 2025 to August 27, 2025 to host weekly concerts.

**Art Fest 2025 Request**

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the request made by the Lewiston Council on the Arts to hold Art Fest Saturday August 9, 2025 and Sunday, August 10, 2025.

**Superintendent Larry Wills Resignation**

A motion was made regrettably by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to accept the resignation of Larry Wills effective September 27, 2024.

Superintendent Wills thanked the existing Village Board and prior boards over the last three decades; they are why things are the way they are. Thank you to all the clerks, police, fire hall and DPW employees, past and present. Thank you to the volunteers, who have taken on a huge role, and to the community. Also, thanks to my family, I wasn't home a lot. I appreciate all of you. The Board of Trustees commended Wills on his great job over the years.

**Larry Wills Cell Phone Request**

A motion to approve the request from Superintendent Larry Wills to keep his cell phone and the cell phone number at his own expense after his retirement effective September 28, 2024. Any phone calls received for village business will be forwarded to the new Superintendent after his retirement.

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Deputy Mayor Eydt and passed unanimously to enter into Executive Session immediately following the close of this meeting to discuss personnel and litigation.

**Paranormal Investigation at Red Brick Municipal Building**

Clerk Fundis informed the trustees that Paranormal Oddities would like to come to the Red Brick Municipal Building to perform a paranormal investigation. They just did an investigation at the Lewiston Library. A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve Paranormal Oddities to perform a paranormal investigation in the evening on October 12, 2024, pending the proper insurance documents are provided.

**REPORTS** Clerk Fundis, Treasurer Longwell, Law Counsel Leone and Engineer Marino congratulated Superintendent Wills on his retirement, commented on his great leadership over the years. Engineer Marino said I work with many communities, I can't recall another one that has set up for this transition as well as he had. He has a great staff behind him, such a great team, and that is his leadership.

**BOARD REPORTS** Trustee Conde, Trustee Coppins, Deputy Mayor Eydt and Mayor Welch congratulated Superintendent Wills on his retirement. Deputy Mayor Eydt said it is hard to see you go, but we are happy for you, now you can do the things you want to do. Mayor Welch said you are leaving us in good hands.

**ADJOURN** A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting and enter into Executive Session at 6:31pm.

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Shannon Fundis, Clerk

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**PRESENT** Mayor Welch, Deputy Mayor Eydt, Trustee Conde, Trustee Coppins, Law Counsel Leone, Engineer Marino, Clerk Fundis, Treasurer Longwell, Deputy Clerk Cassick, Superintendent Wills, Deputy Superintendent Mang, Robert Haskell

Mayor Welch called the Executive Session to order at 6:47pm.

Discussion ensued on personnel matters. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Deputy Mayor Eydt and passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session and return to a public meeting at 8:08pm.

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**BUSINESS** A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to appoint Anthony Mang as Superintendent of Public Works at a rate of \$80,000.00 per fiscal year. This motion will take effect on September 28, 2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to appoint Robert Haskell as Deputy Superintendent of Public Works at a rate of \$28.85 per hour plus overtime. This motion will take effect on September 28, 2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to pay Larry Wills upon retirement, the Safety Bonus, Longevity Bonus, Pesticide License and Transmission Distribution License totaling \$1,800.00. These are normally distributed in the first week of December.

**ADJOURN** A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:22pm.

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Shannon Fundis, Clerk