PRESENT Mayor Cota, Deputy Mayor Coppins, Trustee Collesano, Trustee Conde, Trustee Fittante, Law Counsel Leone, Engineer Marino, Police Chief Salada, Clerk Fundis, Treasurer Longwell, Deputy Clerk Cassick, Superintendent Mang, Historian Piper

PUBLIC HEARING **Special Use Permit – 360 N. 2nd Street**
Mayor Cota called the public hearing to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:58pm. No public was present to speak on this matter. The public hearing was closed at 5:59pm.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Cota called the meeting to order at 5:59pm.

NEW BUSINESS **Special Use Permit – 360 N. 2nd Street**
A motion was made by Trustee Collesano seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the issuance of a special use permit to Nicole Ferrari to permit a dog grooming business to operate at 360 North 2nd Street, to not exceed five years and will need to be approved annually, and based on the following stipulations:
-The hours of operation will be between 8am to 8pm and will have a maximum of one family of pets at a time.
-There will only be one 9 x 20 parking spot that runs parallel to the street, paved adjacent to the existing driveway permitted.
-Limited services include bathing, drying and trimming. Grooming activities will take place in the detached garage. There will be no boarding, daycare or overnight services or outdoor animal holding.
-The village engineer will approve the water and sewer capacity.
-This special use permit is conditional upon approval from the building and fire inspector, DPW and health and safety inspections with appropriate finishes.

DPW Classifications
A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the request made by Superintendent Mang to fill the following DPW classifications with the identified existing DPW Laborers:

MECHANIC – Bob Crewe

MEO II – Nate Meigs

MEO I – Rick Hess
Spencer Steele
Travis Mis

Niagara County Italian Festival 2027
A motion was by Mayor Cota seconded by Deputy Mayor Coppins and passed unanimously to table the request for the facilities use request made by Carmine Bianco for use of Academy Park to host the Niagara County Italian Fest from July 16, 2027 to July 18, 2027, after discussion on item #5 on the agenda (Lewiston Artisan Farmers Market).

Lewiston Garden Fest 2027
A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Coppins seconded by Trustee Collesano and passed unanimously to approve the facilities use request made by Lewiston Garden Club to host Lewiston Garden Fest on June 19, 2027, and June 20, 2027, as well as waiving the Open Container Law for the two days of the event.

Lewiston Artisan Farmers Market 2027
A discussion ensued on the request made by multiple organizations to host events in Academy Park at the same time. Mayor Cota stated that Italian requested use of the entire park, as well as other festival organizer, and asked the board if the market should have a precedence for use of this park for their current footprint.

Trustee Collesano asked if there was a reason the market is set up in that corner of the park and mentioned that another event utilizing the stage would need an area available in front of it. Collesano suggested that the market be set up in the opposite corner of the stage or shifts to accommodate everyone in the park.

Mayor Cota said the market is only 250 feet from the corner along Cayuga Street.

Trustee Fittante suggested the board provides the market with two alternate locations for weekends that other organizations are renting the park.

Deputy Mayor Coppins stated that the market runs longer and is a weekly benefit to the village and surrounding communities.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Coppins seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed with the following results to approve the facilities use request from Rachel Jolbert for use of Academy Park to hold the Lewiston Artisan Farmers Market on Saturday's from 7am to 2pm beginning May 29, 2027 through October 30, 2027, and for use of the pavilion and extending the rental time to 4pm on June 26, 2027 and October 9, 2027. The market will not be held during the weekends the park will be used for Peach Fest.

Collesano – Yes Conde – No Fittante – Yes Coppins – Yes Cota - Yes

Niagara County Italian Festival 2027
A motion was made by Mayor Cota seconded by Deputy Mayor Coppins and passed unanimously to bring the Niagara County Italian Festival facilities request back to the table.

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Deputy Mayor Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the facilities use request made by Carmine Bianco for use of Academy Park to host the Niagara County Italian Fest from July 16, 2027 to July 18, 2027, with the stipulations that the organizer work around the market, meet all trash pickup requirements in the facilities use agreement, and providing a contract for trash removal.

Lewiston Artisan Farmers Market 2027 Addendum
A motion was made by Trustee Fittante seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to require all Lewiston Artisan Farmers Market food vendors to have a trash can in front of their tent/trailer, and vendor and/or organizer are responsible for trash removal.

Lewiston Fire Co. No. 1 Membership Approval
A motion was made by Trustee Collesano seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve the Lewiston Fire Co. No. 1 Conditional Membership of Anna Button.

Lewiston Landing Restroom Electrical Upgrades
A motion was made by Trustee Collesano seconded by Deputy Mayor Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the estimate from Waveform Electrical in the amount of $12,700.00 for electrical upgrades and the installation of heaters in the restroom facilities at Lewiston Landing. The funding for this will come from H15-7180-3000 Lewiston Landing Contractors.

2025-2026 Village Audit Review
A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Coppins seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to schedule a public meeting to discuss the 2025-2026 Audit with Lumsden McCormick, CPA on October 19, 2026, at 5:30pm in the Village Board Room.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAHOO DOCK REPAIR AND MODIFICATION
A motion was made by Trustee Fittante and seconded by Trustee Conde to approve the following resolution:
WHEREAS, the Village of Lewiston owns an existing Wahoo dock system that requires repair, modification, and redesign; and
WHEREAS, the proposed work involves custom engineering, repair, modification, and components specifically compatible with the Village's existing Wahoo dock system; and
WHEREAS, Wahoo Docks designed and manufactured the existing dock system and possesses the specialized engineering knowledge, design information, and familiarity with the existing system necessary to properly repair, modify, and integrate the existing components; and
WHEREAS, the proposed work is specific to the existing Wahoo dock system and requires compatibility with the existing design and components; and

WHEREAS, the Village determined that soliciting competitive bids would not be practical because the required work involves proprietary and system-specific components, engineering, and modifications to an existing system designed and manufactured by Wahoo Docks; and
WHEREAS, utilizing Wahoo Docks avoids unnecessary replacement of existing components, duplication of engineering and design work, potential compatibility issues, and additional costs to the Village; and
WHEREAS, based upon the specialized and proprietary nature of the existing dock system and the specific engineering and modification requirements, the Village determined that Wahoo Docks is the appropriate single source capable of providing the required work; and
WHEREAS, Wahoo Docks has proposed to complete the engineering, repair, modification, and related work for $41,229.20; and
WHEREAS, the Village Board has determined that, based upon the foregoing circumstances, competitive bidding is not being utilized for this procurement and that the procurement qualifies as a specialized, proprietary, and single-source procurement, subject to review and approval by Village Counsel;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board determines that the proposed work constitutes a specialized and proprietary/single-source procurement involving the repair and modification of the Village's existing Wahoo dock system and that competitive bidding is not practical under the circumstances described herein; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes Wahoo Docks to perform the proposed engineering, repair, modification, and related work for an amount not to exceed $41,229.20, subject to review and approval by Village Counsel; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is authorized to execute the necessary documents to complete the project.

Clerk Fundis polled the board and the motion passed with the following results:

Collesano – Yes Fittante – Yes Conde – Yes Coppins – Yes Cota - Yes

Thank You to Town of Lewiston – Energy Grant Funds for Village
The Village of Lewiston would like to sincerely thank Supervisor Broderick and the Town Board for its continued support and partnership, particularly for using funding from the Town's H98 Energy Fund to pay the Village's electrical bills.
The Energy Fund, which is associated with the Town's 6.5-megawatt NYPA-related energy benefits, provides the Town with an important resource for capital improvements and energy-related projects. By using these funds to assist with the Village's electrical costs, the Town has helped free up funds already included in the Village's current budget. This allows the Village to put those available funds toward important improvements at the Red Brick Municipal Building, including needed window repairs, adding air conditioning to the gym, and other necessary electrical upgrades and improvements to the facility.

Also, I would like to thank Supervisor Broderick for using the H98 Energy Fund to make energy improvements to the Upward Niagara Chamber building.

We greatly appreciate the Town's willingness to work with the Village and invest in improvements that benefit our community. This is a great example of the Town and Village working together to make the most of available resources and improve our municipal facilities for residents and visitors.

Thank you to the Town of Lewiston for your continued partnership and support of the Village of Lewiston. (Stated by Deputy Mayor Coppins)

DISCUSSION

Lewiston Council on the Arts – Grant for Red Brick Elevator
Mayor Cota said that the Lewiston Council on the Arts is looking for a grant for a new elevator at Red Brick that will reach the third floor. Accessible location options were discussed; Trustee Conde will be looking into locations further.

ADJOURN A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Coppins seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:43pm.

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Shannon Fundis, Clerk