

- PRESENT** Mayor Welch, Trustee Conde, Trustee Coppins, Trustee Fittante, Law Counsel Leone, Police Captain Salada, Engineer Marino, Treasurer Longwell, Deputy Clerk Cassick, Recreation Director McDermott, Historian Piper, Fire Inspector Beebe
- EXCUSED** Deputy Mayor Eydt, Clerk Fundis, Superintendent Mang, Building Inspector/Zoning Officer Candella
- CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Welch called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00pm.
- RESIDENTS** Business owner Tom Deal said there have been young kids driving dirt bikes in the middle of Center St. and down the sidewalks and he is afraid one of them will get seriously hurt. Police Captain Salada stated it's the same group of kids and we have addressed this with the parents and have given them a few citations. Mayor Welch said there's only so much we can do but if you see them call the police.
- MINUTES** A motion was made by Trustee Fittante seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the May 19, 2025 minutes. Nick Conde abstained.
- BILLS** A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the June 2025 bills as presented by Treasurer Longwell in the following amounts:
- General Fund: \$862,028.29
Trust & Agency: \$6,558.25
Total: \$868,586.54
- REPORTS** **Police Captain Mike Salada** stated now that summer has begun, we are trying to nip the youth problems in the bud. Mayor Welch asked Salada to keep an eye on the playground because the kids will congregate there and that's how trouble starts.
- Fire Inspector Beebe** submitted his report and Treasurer Longwell asked that any inspection reports given to business owners and homeowners to file a copy with the Clerk's office as well.
- Trustee Coppins inquired about #5 on the report which stated before the next concert at Academy Park the Village will check lights and fire extinguishers at the stage. Beebe said he asked the DPW to make sure lights are working and fire extinguishers are checked. Coppins asked for all the issues at 115 S. Water St., when will he have to comply and if they do not comply are they issued a violation with a fee? Beebe said we normally go back and see how they are doing. There is nothing in our code that says we can issue a fee so we will stay on top of them until they comply.
- Recreation Director McDermott** stated tonight is the first night of youth basketball and we have 40 more youths signed up than last year so a great turn out. Our Family Fun Nights are booked for the whole summer, and our entire schedule is listed on our website.
- Historian Piper** said he has acquired several new pieces which should be here by August. My other projects are on hold.
- NEW BUSINESS** **748 Center Street – SEQR EAF**
A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the prepared SEQR EAF for the development plans for 748 Center Street, Lewiston NY 14092. The proposed action will not result in any adverse environmental impact and a Negative Declaration will be filed. Trustee Fittante recused himself.
- 748 Center Street – Development Plans**
A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the development plans for 748 Center Street, conditional upon review and approval from the Village engineer. Trustee Fittante recused himself.

Sicoli Construction – Lewiston Landing Phase V Payment

Mayor Welch stated no action will be taken to approve an out of cycle payment to Sicoli Construction Services in the amount of \$116,717.00, because we are still waiting on paperwork from Sicoli for the MWBE Waiver to send to the State.

476 Center Street Subdivision Approval

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the subdivision of 476 Center Street as presented. This has been approved by the Village of Lewiston Planning Commission and Niagara County Planning Board.

400 Mohawk Street – Sewer Pardon Request

A motion was made by Trustee Fittante seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the request from Joseph Marra, at 400 Mohawk Street, for a one-time sewer pardon for a pool liner replacement. The total pardon is for \$85.79 off the July 2025 water/sewer bill.

Lewiston Fire Co. No. 1 Conditional Membership

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the Lewiston Fire Co. No. 1 Conditional Membership of Calvin Johnson.

Lewiston Fire Co. No. 1 Membership

A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve the removal of April Finn from the Lewiston Fire Co. No. 1 rolls.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to enter into Executive Session immediately following the close of this meeting to discuss real property and personnel.

DISCUSSION

July 4, 2025 Fireworks Display

Treasurer Longwell stated that we raised more funds than anticipated. The Board approved Treasurer Longwell request to raise the cost of fireworks from \$15,800.00 to \$20,000.00.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting and enter into Executive Session at 6:17pm.

Donna Cassick, Deputy Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PRESENT Mayor Welch, Trustee Conde, Trustee Coppins, Trustee Fittante, Treasurer Longwell, Deputy Clerk Cassick, Law Counsel Leone

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Welch called the meeting to order at 6:27pm.

NEW BUSINESS **Executive Session**
A discussion ensued on personnel and real property.

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session and return to a public meeting at 6:48pm

PUBLIC MEETING

BUSINESS Great Lakes Real Estate – 476 Center St.

A motion was made by Trustee Fittante seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to hire Bruce Andrews of Great Lakes Real Estate for the sale of the Little Yellow House at 476 Center St. with zero commission, pay buyers agent and list for \$350,000.00.

Morgan Lewis Bust

A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously for the DPW to move the Morgan Lewis bust from the Peace Garden to the Village Square located on the corner of S. 5th St. next to 505 Center St.

ADJOURN A motion was made by Tina Coppins seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:52pm.

Donna Cassick, Deputy Clerk