

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

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Welch called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00pm

**NEW BUSINESS** **Appointments**  
A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the Mayor’s appointment of the following for a one-year term of office:

Deputy Mayor Victor Eydt

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the reappointment of Law Counsel Joseph Leone as the Village Attorney for a one-year term for 2025-2026.

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the reappointment of Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. as the Village of Lewiston engineering firm for a one-year term for 2025-2026.

A motion was made by Trustee Fittante seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve the Board of Trustees reappointment of Stephanie Longwell as Registrar and Shannon Fundis as Deputy Registrar for a one-year term of office 2025-2026.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to approve the reappointment of Russell Piper as Historian for the Village of Lewiston for a one-year term 2025-2026.

**Residence Requirement Waiver**

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to waive the residency requirement for the following:

Barry Beebe  
Kenneth Candella  
Richard Haight  
Brendan McDermott  
Russell Piper

**Village Board Committee Assignments**

A motion was made by Trustee Fittante and seconded by Trustee Conde to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED** to establish the following Committees of the Village Board with assignments as follows for liaison and alternate liaison:

Administration	Mayor/Tr. Eydt
Personnel	Tr. Conde/ Tr. Eydt
Upward Niagara	Mayor/ Tr. Fittante
Beautification	Mayor/ Tr. Coppins
Artpark	Mayor/ Tr. Coppins
Lewiston Council on the Arts	Tr. Coppins/ Mayor
Law Enforcement	Tr. Coppins/Tr. Conde
Fire Company	Tr. Eydt/Tr. Fittante
Recreation, Parks & Environment	Tr. Fittante/Tr. Conde
Planning Commission	Mayor/Tr. Fittante
Zoning Commission	Tr. Conde/Tr. Eydt
Department of Public Works	Tr. Conde/Tr. Eydt

Community Sewer Commission	Tr. Eydt/Tr. Conde
American Legion & VFW	Tr. Eydt/Tr. Coppins
Lewiston Library	Tr. Coppins/Tr. Fittante
Historical Preservation Commission	Mayor/Tr. Fittante

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

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt and seconded by Trustee Coppins to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lewiston has determined that Village Law 4-412(3)(2) requires the designation of the banks or trust companies for the deposit of all Village monies;

**NOW THEREFORE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lewiston hereby designate Key Bank as the depository of all money received by the Village Clerk and Village Treasurer.

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

A motion was made by Trustee Fittante and seconded by Trustee Conde to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED** to establish the regular meeting dates of the Village Board of Trustees for fiscal year 2025-2026 at 6:00pm in the Municipal Building, 145 N 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Lewiston: Official Village Board meetings shall be the first Monday of the month from October-May, Except the September 2025 meeting shall be on the first Tuesday; the third Monday of each month from September – August, except January and February 2026 meetings shall be on the third Tuesday.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, to schedule the Organizational meeting of the Village Board for Monday, July 6, 2026 at 5:00pm.

A motion was made by Trustee Conde and seconded by Trustee Coppins to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED** that a Special Meeting of the Village Board may be called by the Mayor or, in the absence of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and that the Clerk shall thereupon contact each member of the Board by telephone, and shall contact the news media and public as required by the Open Meetings Law, and such Special Meetings shall be held in the Municipal Building, 145 N 4<sup>th</sup> Street Lewiston, NY.

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

A motion was made by Trustee Coppins and seconded by Trustee Fittante to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, pursuant to Section 77-6 of General Municipal Law, to authorize officials and employees to attend school and conferences during fiscal year 2025-2026 with expenses borne by the Village as follows:

- The Annual Meeting conducted NYCOM – Board of Trustees, Attorney, Clerk and Treasurer.
- Municipal Officials workshops conducted by NYCOM – Board of Trustees
- Training School for Fiscal Officers and Municipal Clerks conducted by NYCOM – Clerk, Treasurer and Deputy Clerk
- Winter Legislative meeting conducted by NYCOM – Board of Trustees, Attorney, Clerk and Treasurer
- Public Works Training School conducted by NYCOM – Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of Public Works

- Northwestern Frontier Association of Village Officials and Western New York Association of Village Officials – Board of Trustees, Attorney, Clerk and Treasurer

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

### **Collective Bargaining Agreement**

A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the same benefits for the non-union employees as the full-time union employees as referenced in the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt and seconded by Trustee Conde to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, pursuant to Section 5-524 of Village Law, which authorizes the Treasurer or in the absence of the Treasurer, the Deputy Clerk, to pay claims in advance of an audit; claims for the following recurring charges during fiscal year 2025-2026: public utility services, postage, freight, express charges, Ricoh Lease, financed vehicle payments and health insurance payments.

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

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt and seconded by Trustee Conde to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Uniform Notice of Claim Act, which became effective June 15, 2013, amendment to the NY General Municipal Law to allow notices of claims against villages to be served on the New York Secretary of State as agent for New York's public corporations, and pursuant to the Act, the New York Department of State will forward any notice of claim served on it to the Village of Lewiston designee, and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Lewiston Board of Trustees designate the Clerk as the individual to whom the Secretary of State must mail notices of claim.

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

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to designate the Lewiston-Porter Sentinel as the official newspaper of the Village of Lewiston for fiscal year 2025-2026.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Tina Coppins and passed unanimously to adopt the rate of .70 cents per mile as set by the NYS Comptroller office for fiscal year 2025-2026.

### **Commission Appointments**

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the reappointment of James Ullery to the Planning Commission with a two-year term to 2027.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed with four yes votes to approve the reappointment of Joshua Janese to the Planning Commission with a two-year term to 2027. Trustee Coppins abstained.

A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the reappointment of Denise Mess to the Parks, Recreation and Conservation Board with a two-year term to 2027.

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the reappointment of Colleen Swavy to the Parks, Recreation and Conservation Board with a two-year term to 2027.

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Deputy Mayor Eydt and passed unanimously to approve the reappointment of Joseph Marra to the Parks, Recreation and Conservation Board with a two-year term to 2027.

**Executive Session**

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

**ADJOURN** A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Fittante and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:10pm.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**PRESENT** Mayor Welch, Deputy Mayor Eydt, Trustee Conde, Trustee Coppins, Trustee Fittante, Clerk Fundis, Treasurer Longwell, Deputy Clerk Cassick, Superintendent Mang, Law Counsel Leone

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Welch called the Executive Session to order at 6:18pm.

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

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

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**PRESENT** Mayor Welch, Deputy Mayor Eydt, Trustee Conde, Trustee Coppins, Trustee Fittante, Clerk Fundis, Treasurer Longwell, Deputy Clerk Cassick, Superintendent Mang, Law Counsel Leone

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Welch called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

**NEW BUSINESS** **Department of Public Works` Laborer Hire**  
A motion was made by Trustee Fittante seconded by Deputy Mayor Eydt and passed unanimously to approve Superintendent Mang's request to hire Jon Smith for a full-time laborer position at the probationary starting payrate, effective July 14, 2025.

**ADJOURN** A motion was made by Trustee Coppins seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:34pm.

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Shannon Fundis, Clerk