



Village of Lewiston Deputy Mayor Tina Coppins is sworn into office Monday by the Hon. Hugh Gee. Coppins was joined by her husband, Peter; and by their sons, Avery and Ryan. • Village of Lewiston Trustee Leandra Collesano is sworn into office Monday by Judge Gee. Collesano was joined by her father, Terry Collesano, who served two terms as mayor and 12 years as deputy mayor.

Trustees set appointments at annual organizational meeting

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prehensive legal, administrative, planning, zoning, building, occupancy, infrastructure and financial impact review of the (North) Eighth Street and Center Street commercial development” – the Ellicott Development/Tim Hortons/Quest Diagnostics plaza at 780-790 Center St. – “and return to the Village Board with findings and recommendations for future consideration.

“This authorization permits the gathering of records, legal review, public input, professional input, timelines, cost information, compliance information, and recommendations only.”

No enforcement action, capital expenditure, contract, litigation or outside professional service was authorized by this motion.

Cota said this is a fact-finding mission: “We have a lot of anecdotal assumptions; we have a lot of bits and pieces that are kind of spread out. I want to get it into a single place and a single interpretation.”

Checks & balances

In addition to bolstering communication, Cota said the new committees and initiatives were established because, “I believe in checks and balances on the mayor, just as much as checks and balances on anything else.”

He said his ideas will not exist in a vacuum. Rather, the plans he puts forward will be guided by the Village Board.

“It could be handled administratively – it’s not my style,” Cota said.

Appointments

The Village Board approved the following positions:

- The mayor’s appointment of

Clerk Shannon Fundis, Treasurer Stephanie Longwell and Deputy Clerk Donna Cassick to a four-year term of office (until July 1, 2030); and Coppins for a one-year term as deputy mayor.

•The reappointments of:

- √ Joseph Leone as law counsel, Nussbaumer & Clarke Inc. as the municipal engineering firm, Longwell as registrar, Fundis as deputy registrar, and Russell Piper as historian for a one-year term.

- √ Abigail Stein and Kenneth Bedore to the Zoning Board of Appeals, and Loretta Frankovitch to the Historic Preservation Commission, each with a five-year term.

- √ Richard Haight, Nicholas Schaefer and Scott Lewandowski to the Planning Commission for a two-year term; and Kiley Poletti and Denham Wilson to the Parks, Recreation and Conservation Board for a two-year term.

- The Niagara County Tribune/Sentinel (aka Lewiston-Porter Sentinel) as the official newspaper of the Village of Lewiston.

- Trustees will work with the following community agencies:

- √ Administration: Cota, liaison/Coppins, alternate liaison
- √ Personnel: Fittante/Conde
- √ Upward Niagara Chamber of Commerce: Cota/Fittante
- √ Beautification: Coppins/Collesano
- √ Artpark: Coppins/Collesano
- √ Lewiston Council on the Arts: Collesano/Conde
- √ Law enforcement: Coppins/Conde
- √ Firefighting: Coppins/Conde
- √ Recreation, parks and environment: Coppins/Conde
- √ Planning Board: Cota/Fittante

VILLAGE OF LEWISTON ISSUES UPDATE ON WATER BILLS

On Wednesday, the Village of Lewiston shared the following:

The village has received reports that some residents have not yet received their July water bills due to a mailing delay.

We have contacted the U.S. Postal Service, but they are unable to

provide an estimated delivery date at this time.

If you have not received your water bill, please contact the Village Clerk’s Office by phone at 716-754-8271 or by emailing treasurer@villageoflewiston.com, and we will gladly print a replacement

copy for you.

To ensure residents are not penalized because of this mailing delay, all late payment penalties will be waived through July 31.

We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your patience while this issue is resolved.

- √ ZBA: Cota/Fittante
- √ Department of Public Works: Fittante/Conde
- √ Community Sewer Commission: Fittante/Conde
- √ American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars: Cota/Collesano
- √ Lewiston Public Library: Cota/Collesano
- √ Historical Preservation Commission: Coppins/Collesano
- √ Master plan advisory committee: Cota/Fittante
- √ Teen advisory committee: Cota/Collesano

Meetings

Municipal meetings will continue on as previously scheduled inside the Red Brick Municipal Building, 145 N. Fourth St.:

- The Village Board of Trustees will gather at 6 p.m. on the first Monday of the month for work sessions (October-May, except the September meeting shall be on the first Tuesday); and the third Monday of each month for regular meetings

(September through August, but with the January and February 2027 meetings on the third Tuesday).

- The Historical Preservation Commission will meet at 6 p.m. on the second Monday of each month (save October, when it falls on the second Tuesday). The Planning Board meeting will immediately follow.

- The ZBA will assemble at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month (except November and December, where meetings will be on the third Tuesday).

- A special meeting of the Village Board may be called by the mayor or, in the absence of the mayor, the deputy mayor – and the clerk shall contact each member of the board, plus the news media and public – as required by the open meetings law.

Also

Trustees voted to table consideration of matching non-union employee benefits to those of full-time union employees until a new

collective bargaining agreement is executed. The matter is slated to be revisited at the next board meeting.

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1. Do not lie on the sofa to watch T.V. – sit up properly.
2. Do not prop your head up or forward on high pillows when reading or watching T.V.
3. Never sleep on your stomach or with your arms above your head. Lie on your side and adjust the pillow so head and neck are in a neutral position, not bent.
4. If you sleep on your back, put the support of the pillow under your neck, not under your head. A regular pillow should not be more than 3-4 inches thick.
5. If you have neck problems, use a contour cervical pillow designed to support the natural curvature of the neck.
6. Never sleep in a car or on a plane without neck support.
7. Never sleep in a recliner chair or on a couch as these do not support the spine properly. When you get tired, go to bed.
8. Isometric exercises by pushing against your head can aggravate already existing neck problems.
9. Rolling your head in a circle can aggravate some neck problems. So if you notice any problem, discontinue.
10. Do not reach for a shelf higher than your head. Stand on a stool.
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