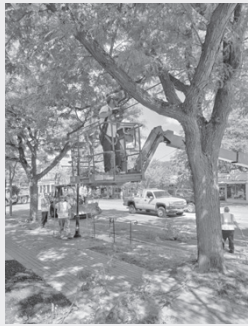


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Ahlas running for one of two Village of Lewiston trustee positions

BY KEITH AHLAS

Hi, I'm Keith Casey Ahlas, a long-time resident of the Village of Lewiston. Although I have run for elected office in the past, at no time did I feel as great a sense of urgency to bring change as I do now. For that reason, I have decided to again seek the office of trustee in the Village of Lewiston. There are two trustee positions up for election this year, on Sept. 15.

When I ran for trustee in the past, I ran on the platform of progress and growth within the village. Since that time, there has been some growth, but also a lot of broken promises, and delayed progress. One only has to look at the Paladino Plaza project, and also with the apartments/condos at the old Fairchild Nursing Home site, which has had very little renting activity since its opening and still has the original, now rotting nursing home wood fence around it. I am aware of the state of both of these projects, because I live on the same street, and witness this

each day.

I do realize that, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, progress has stalled for many local businesses; but these two projects have been like this long before shutdowns associated with the pandemic. They cry out for oversight by the village, to make sure our streets and daily lives are not constantly impacted by ongoing, slow progressing construction. Also, there needs to be more oversight to make sure that those wishing to "develop" in the village by constructing large projects, like rental units, demonstrate that there is, in fact, a ready market for such a large number of higher-priced rental units so the village does not look in places like it has expensive but abandoned housing.

The fire a few months back at the BBC showed that we in the village have a serious water supply infrastructure issue that has been overlooked for too long. With development comes increased demand on the entire infrastruc-



Keith Ahlas

ture in the village, including our water lines. These infrastructure needs must be addressed before we have more development, and before homeowners and business owners suffer the tragic consequences of our water supply being too strained to fight a fire. These issues are important to me and

important to those who are "not in power" in the village, and have been overlooked for too long by those who remain in office term after term, not always attending meetings to hear the citizens concerns.

I am running once again, not only as a concerned citizen, but to be a prominent voice for those that have major concerns within the village. As a resident of nearly 20 years, I have seen many changes within the community.

I also feel that in my line of work, as I work with U.S. Customs in the brokerage division at FedEx, that I also have some government-related experience as well. On Sept. 15, I encourage all residents of the village to get out and vote - make your voices heard!

I humbly welcome your vote, and the opportunity to serve as a village trustee to invoke some very needed positive changes.

Eydt endorses Conde, Gibson

I am writing today to remind all the citizens of the Village of Lewiston that our village election is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 15, from noon to 9 p.m. in the Red Brick Gym.

This village election was postponed from June due to the virus. And it is an unusual time to hold an election. Nevertheless, it is, like all elections, important and requires the voters to study the issues and the candidates and vote. Please mark your calendars.

As deputy mayor of the village, it has been my privilege to work closely with two of the endorsed candidates, Nick Conde and Dan Gibson. These two gentlemen are an important part of the team that manages the village under the direction of our great mayor, Anne Welch.

Nick Conde has served many years as your trustee. During that time, he has been exposed to all the issues that you care about in running a successful village. He is

knowledgeable and professional. Dan Gibson is also an incumbent trustee and great addition to the village team. His experience means a lot and each of these men deserve to be able to continue working for you and our village.

So, I am writing to endorse each of these qualified people to be reelected as village trustees. The village is currently suffering in so many ways from this virus. The village government must do everything possible to support our

citizens and our businesses. These two trustees want to continue to work to make Lewiston successful in spite of the crisis.

So, I am asking for your support for these two incumbent trustees. Nick Conde and Dan Gibson have earned your vote and deserve your support. Please retain each of them on the Village Board in the coming election.

Thank you.

Victor Eydt
Deputy Mayor

Support for Dan Gibson & Nick Conde

Lewiston recently held their Republican caucus and overwhelmingly nominated incumbents Dan Gibson and Nick Conde for another four-year term as Lewiston village trustees.

I have worked with both of these

fine gentlemen on the Village Board and other venues in the village. We are very fortunate to have both of them working for all of us, regardless of political party. They are working for the betterment of the village. They come

to all meetings always prepared. They are good listeners and not afraid to make the right call for the benefit of us all.

I urge all village residents to take another look at Dan and Nick and cast your vote for these

knowledgeable, experienced and highly motivated men. Election in the village is Sept. 15 at the Red Brick School.

Bruce Sutherland
Former Village of Lewiston
Deputy Mayor

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