

FINAL DAY ANNUAL SESSION
December 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Chairman of the Board, Lawrence Dolhof.

Roll Call: All Legislators were present except Legislator Josh Leviker who had been excused. There were 13 other persons present.

Chairman Dolhof asked Legislator Gilbert for the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND RULES COMMITTEE:

The Finance and Rules Committee had met and recommended to waive the rules to allow action on late resolutions.

Signed by: Thomas Osborne
Philip Hathway
Jessica Moser
Jeffrey Nellenback

Dated: December 21, 2023

Legislator Virkler moved that the rules be waived, seconded by Legislator Chartrand, and carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Chairman Dolhof stated that there are four retiring legislators who have helped to achieve several goals during their tenure. Within the last two years, the Board has reduced the property taxes to the lowest level since 1996; created a 15% reduction in the tax rate; completed construction on a New Highway Facility for the first time since 1906; completed a new surgical wing and patient rooms for the first time since the 1980's; completed updates in the PSB for the jail for the first time since 1991; distributed 100% of the American Rescue Plan funds out to the community through a Broadband program, reducing unconnected households by 70%, Façade and Streetscape program, Vacant Property Revitalization program, Rails to Trails program, and Childcare program; moved forward several special committees such as the EMS Ad Hoc committee, Agricultural Sustainability Committee, Southern Lewis County Water Study committee, and Central Lewis County Water Study committee; focused on mental health issues by creating a Suicide Video series, founding and supporting the Traumatic Loss Team, and bringing Medication Assisted Treatment plan to the jail; established new long term financial goals; cleaned up and demolished ten blighted properties; facilitated the reuse of the Glenfield School leading to a \$25 million dollar investment in senior housing; adopted thoughtful and progressive regulations for solar development; increased transparency with a new website and new presentation equipment in the Legislative Board Chambers. That is just some of the items without going into too much detail.

Chairman Dolhof thanked the current Board, in particular the four legislators that are leaving for their service and giving a unique insight with their comments and considerations. Due to this the Board has accomplished quite a lengthy list of items to move Lewis County forward. The Chairman then handed out framed certificates to Legislator Lisa Virkler, Legislator Ian Gilbert, Legislator Richard Chartrand, and Legislator Phil Hathway followed by a round of applause for each one respectively.

CLERK OF THE BOARD REPORT:

A Resolution was received from Cattaraugus County titled: "Supporting Repopulation and Restocking of Native Species Elk into Allegany State Park."

Sealer of Measures and Weights Biran Mooney submitted the September, October, and November Summary of Field Service Reports which have been placed on file. An edition of Farmshine was forwarded to all legislators from Mr. Gary Rozicowski showing that the House of Representatives passed the Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act allowing whole milk in school lunch programs.

COUNTY TREASURER REPORT:

Eric Virkler reported that the State Auditors are making good progress and will be giving legislators an update on where they are, please stop in and speak with them today. They have done a great job so far. Three + One, our cash management consultants, gave Lewis County an award for making a grade of 90 for three quarters in a row, and should continue get some publicity from that.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Legislator Chartrand reported that the October Employee of the Month for the Hospital was Bertha Snyder, Unit Helper. The OR Tower is operational, and the Maternity Ward should be opening sometime in March of 2024.

Mr. Jerry Cayer reported that the new surgical pavilion went live with three OR's going at once, this has created a meaningful increase in surgeries. Dr. Ackle was hired for the maternity department a month ago and it looks like it will be operational by March 25, 2024. The maternity nurses will be going to Crouse in Syracuse for additional training.

Mr. Cayer stated that Legislator Chartrand was recognized for his service at the Hospital Board of Managers meeting but should be acknowledged today as he serves on behalf of this Board. His history of service is remarkable along with his ability to respectfully challenge things and ask questions. Legislator Chartrand has served on the Hospital Board of Managers first as a citizen from 1997 through 2008, then as the Board of Legislators representative from 2014 through 2023. He has been Chair of the Hospitals Buildings and Grounds committee, a member of the Executive Committee, and much more. In honor of Legislator Chartrand's years of service, he was given a plaque, notification that two bricks will be placed on the memorial wall of the hospital, two coasters, and a box of Lewis County food items.

Mr. Cayer thanked the whole Board and read the LCHS mission statement. He wished everyone Happy Holidays. Legislator Chartrand reciprocated his appreciation of Mr. Cayer and the great communication since his arrival.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND RULES COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION NO. 1 - 2024
RESOLUTION ADOPTING STANDING RULES
OF THE LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That this Board of Legislators hereby adopts the Standing Rules of the Board of Legislators, which be and hereby are adopted as the Standing Rules of the Lewis County Board of Legislators for the year 2024.

Section 2. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Frost, seconded by Legislator Moser, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 - 2024
RESOLUTION WITH REFERENCE TO VICE-CHAIR
OF LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Vice-Chair shall have and execute all powers and duties of such Chair over any meeting that he/she is called to preside over.

Section 2. That the Vice-Chair shall execute and perform such duties during the absence of the Chair from the County of Lewis and at such times when the Chair is physically or mentally unable to perform such duties.

Section 3. That the powers and duties so authorized to said Vice-Chair shall not be executed by the Chair during the above designated time periods.

Section 4. That this Board of Legislators hereby appoints

LEGISLATOR THOMAS OSBORNE

to perform the duties of Vice-Chair of the Lewis County Board of Legislators for calendar year 2024.

Section 5. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Kalamas , seconded by Legislator Leviker , and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 - 2024
AUDITING AND ALLOWING CLAIMS

Introduced by Legislator Thomas Osborne, Chair of the Finance & Rules Committee.

RESOLVED that the claims presented for payment in the total amount of \$1,309,340.82 be and each is hereby audited and allowed for the amounts claimed, and that the Clerk is authorized and directed to draw checks for the County Treasurer for the amounts claimed, in favor of each of the claimants or their assigns.

Moved by Legislator Nortz, seconded by Legislator Moroughan, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024 pursuant to the following roll call vote:

AYES: Osborne, Frost, Kalamas, Leviker, Moser, Moroughan, Lyndaker, Nortz, and Dolhof.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Nellenback.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 - 2024
RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND OTHERWISE TREATING
LOCAL LAW NO. 1-2024, COUNTY OF LEWIS

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Legislators on December 21, 2023, directing that a public hearing be held by said Board on January 2, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Second Floor Board Room of the Courthouse, 7660 North State Street, Lowville, New York 13367, to hear all interested parties on a proposed Local Law entitled, "A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR INCREASES TO SALARIES FOR CERTAIN LOCAL OFFICIALS"; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the *Watertown Daily Times*, the official newspaper designated by the County, on December 26, 2023, and posted on the bulletin board of the Lewis County Courthouse, 7660 North State Street, Lowville, New York, at least five (5) days prior to such public hearing; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held at such location at such time and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. This Local Law (Introductory No. 4 – 2023), County of Lewis, titled "A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR INCREASES TO SALARIES FOR CERTAIN LOCAL OFFICIALS"; be and the same hereby is designated as Local Law No. 1 – 2024, County of Lewis.

Section 2. That Local Law No. 1 – 2024, County of Lewis, with designation stated above, be and the same is hereby enacted, waiving any and all defects and informalities in the adoption thereof and shall take effect immediately upon completion of all requirements and filing with the Secretary of State.

Moved by Legislator Kalamas, seconded by Legislator Leviker. The resolution was then adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024 pursuant to the following roll call vote: Legislator Nortz recused.

AYES: Kalamas, Lyndaker, Osborne, Leviker, Moroughan, Frost, Moser, and Dolhof.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Nellenback.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FORM AND THE AMOUNT OF
A BLANKET UNDERTAKING COVERING OFFICERS,
CLERKS AND EMPLOYEES OF LEWIS COUNTY

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, County Law § 403 provides that the County Clerk, the County Treasurer, and Deputy Treasurer, as well as such county officers as shall be specifically required by law, must execute and file with the County Clerk an undertaking in such amounts as may be approved by the Board of Legislators; and

WHEREAS, Public Officers Law § 11(2) further provides that it is permissible with the consent and approval of the officer or governing body authorized to require the undertaking for the County to procure a blanket undertaking from any duly authorized corporate surety covering officers, clerks and employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby approves the blanket undertaking in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) to be obtained from a corporate surety company duly authorized to do business in the State of New York, for the purpose of covering all officers, clerks and employees of Lewis County and that such officers, clerks and employees will faithfully discharge the duties of his or her office, and all trusts imposed upon him or her by law by virtue of his or her office, including the duty of promptly accounting for and paying over all moneys or property received by him as such officer, in accordance with law, and that if the said officers, clerks or employees fail to perform any of the above-mentioned conditions or is in default thereof, that the said corporate surety will pay to said County and to the People of the State of New York, all damages, costs and expenses resulting from such default, not exceeding the sum specified above.

Section 2. That a certified copy of this Resolution shall be affixed to a copy of the undertaking described herein and filed with the Lewis County Clerk's Office.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Nortz, seconded by Legislator Kalamas, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 - 2024
RESOLUTION WAIVING THE NEED FOR A SURETY BOND
ON THE PART OF THE CHAIR OF THE
BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

Introduced by Legislator Thomas Osborne, Vice-Chair of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, County Law § 450 provides that the Chair of the Board of Legislators is to execute and file an undertaking with the County Clerk in such form and in such amount as may be required by the Board of Legislators; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators has this date adopted a resolution approving a blanket undertaking covering the officers, clerks and employees of Lewis County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby determines that separate undertaking for the Chair of the Board of Legislators shall not be required and waives any further obligation on the part of the Chair of the Board to obtain a surety bond for the faithful performance of his/her office, pursuant to County Law § 450.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Leviker, seconded by Legislator Moser, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 – 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLERK OF THE BOARD
AND AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, pursuant to County Law, the Board of Legislators appoints a Clerk of the Board to serve the Board of Legislators during the term of the elected Board; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators wishes to re-appoint Cassandra Moser to continue to serve as Clerk of the Board and Administrator for the Workers Compensation Plan, and to enter into an employment agreement to provide for the terms and conditions of her service during said term;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. The Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby re-appoints Cassandra E. Moser of Croghan, New York, to serve as Clerk of the Board and Administrator of the Workers Compensation Plan.

Section 2. The Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes a renewal employment agreement to be negotiated by and between the County of Lewis and Cassandra E. Moser, setting forth the terms and conditions of her employment.

Section 3. That the term of said Agreement shall be effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 4. That the annual salary for said position shall be established and retroactive to January 1, 2024, and set at \$ 69,618.00 (\$59,618.00 plus \$10,000.00 for Administrator of Workers Compensation), with annual adjustment(s) to the salary pursuant to the management compensation plan and schedule approved by the Board.

Section 5. The Chairman or the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to negotiate the terms of said Agreement and to make, execute, seal and deliver said Agreement.

Section 6. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Kalamas , seconded by Legislator Moroughan , and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 8 - 2024
RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING LEWIS COUNTY ATTORNEY
AND AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, pursuant to County Law §500, the Board of Legislators must appoint a County Attorney to serve during the term of the elected Board; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators wishes to re-appoint Joan E. McNichol as County Attorney and to enter into an employment agreement to provide for the terms and conditions of her service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. The Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby re-appoints Joan E. McNichol of Lowville, New York 13367, to serve as Lewis County Attorney, pursuant to County Law § 500.

Section 2. The Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an updated employment agreement to be negotiated by and between the County of Lewis and Joan E. McNichol, setting forth the terms and conditions of her employment as Lewis County Attorney for this new term.

Section 3. That the term of said Appointment shall be effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 4. That the annual salary for said position is established and retroactive to January 1, 2024 at \$138,831.00, with annual adjustment(s) to the salary during the remainder of her fixed term upon budget adoption by the Board of Legislators pursuant to the management compensation plan schedule approved by the Board.

Section 5. That the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to negotiate the terms of said Agreement and to make, execute, seal and deliver said Agreement.

Section 6. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Moroughan, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 9 - 2024
RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING LEWIS COUNTY MANAGER
AND AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, the County has heretofore established the position of County Manager pursuant to Lewis County Local Law No. 4-1987, whose function it is to serve as the chief administrative officer, as well as the budget officer, on behalf of the Board of Legislators; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to re-appoint Ryan Piche as County Manager and to enter into an employment agreement to provide for the terms and conditions of his service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. The Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby re-appoints Ryan Piche of Lowville, New York 13367, to serve in the position of County Manager pursuant to Local Law No. 4-1987.

Section 2. The Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an updated employment agreement to be negotiated by and between the County of Lewis and the County Manager, setting forth the terms and conditions of his employment as County Manager for this new term.

Section 3. The term of said Appointment shall be effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 4. The annual salary of said position is established and retroactive to January 1, 2024 at \$133,491.00, with annual adjustment(s) to the salary during the remainder of his fixed term upon budget adoption by the Board of Legislators pursuant to the management compensation plan schedule approved by the Board.

Section 5. That the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to negotiate the terms of said Agreement and to make, execute, seal and deliver said Agreement.

Section 6. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Moser , seconded by Legislator Leviker , and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 10 – 2024
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FIRE ADVISORY BOARD
AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF ALLOWABLE EXPENSES

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That pursuant to Section 225-a of the County Law, the Lewis County Fire Advisory Board shall consist of the following members, who are hereby appointed to such Board for the term of one year commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 to wit: Fire Chief of each Volunteer Fire Department in Lewis County, or a designated Assistant Fire Chief, all of whom shall be county officers and shall serve without compensation.

Section 2. That Lewis County Fire and Emergency Management Director Robert MacKenzie, III is hereby authorized to appoint up to six (6) Deputy Coordinators, who shall serve without compensation, and that said Director must submit a list of his appointees to the Clerk of the Board of Legislators as soon as appointments have been made.

Section 3. That the necessary expenses of the Lewis County Fire Advisory Board and the Deputy Coordinators shall be paid upon due audit as provided by law.

Section 4. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Nortz, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 11 - 2024
RESOLUTION TO EXTEND AUTHORIZATION TO
CANARX SERVICES, INC. AS A
LEWIS COUNTY HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN VENDOR

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby extends authorization to participants of the Lewis County Health Insurance Plan to utilize CanaRx Services, Inc. as a vendor for prescribed medications.

Section 2. That CanaRx Services, Inc. is hereby approved as a vendor for a period of one year to commence January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Moser, seconded by Legislator Leviker, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 12 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Thomas Kalamas as the Board's representative to the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Nortz, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024. Legislator Kalamas recused.

RESOLUTION NO. 13 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY FAIR BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Joshua Leviker as the Board's representative to the Lewis County Agricultural Society Fair Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Kalamas, seconded by Legislator Frost, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024. Legislator Leviker recused.

RESOLUTION NO. 14 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
AGRICULTURE & FARMLAND PROTECTION BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Thomas Osborne, Vice-Chair of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Lawrence Dolhof as the Board's representative to the Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Moser, seconded by Legislator Leviker, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 15 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
and MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Jessica Moser as the Board's representative to the Lewis County Community Services Board and as a member of the Mental Health Subcommittee.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Nortz, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024. Legislator Moser recused.

RESOLUTION NO. 16 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Barry Lyndaker as the Board's representative to the Lewis County Cooperative Extension Board of Directors.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Nortz, seconded by Legislator Kalamas, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 17 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO
LEWIS COUNTY CORPORATE COMPLIANCE BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Barry Lyndaker, Legislator Jeffrey Nellenback, and Legislator Herb Frost III as the Board's representatives to the Lewis County Corporate Compliance Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Leviker, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 18 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
FISH & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Thomas Osborne, Vice-Chair of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Lawrence Dolhof as the Board's representative to the Region 6 Fish and Wildlife Management Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Nortz, seconded by Legislator Leviker, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 19 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
FORT DRUM REGIONAL LIAISON ORGANIZATION

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Vincent Nortz as the Board's representative to the Fort Drum Regional Liaison Organization.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Moser, seconded by Legislator Frost, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Jessica Moser as the Board's representative to the Lewis County Health Services Advisory Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Leviker, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY GENERAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF MANAGERS

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Vincent Nortz as the Board's representative to the Lewis County General Hospital Board of Managers.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Kalamas, seconded by Legislator Moroughan, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 22 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
INTER-COUNTY LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ADIRONDACKS

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Thomas Kalamas as the Board's representative to the Inter-County Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Frost, seconded by Legislator Osborne, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 23 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY LAW LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Andrea Moroughan as the Board's representative to the Lewis County Law Library Board of Trustees.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Nortz, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 24 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS – JEFFERSON EDUCATION CENTER ADVISORY BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Thomas Osborne as the Board's representative to the Lewis – Jefferson Education Center Advisory Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Moroughan, seconded by Legislator Moser, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 25 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
NORTH COUNTRY HOME CONSORTIUM

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Barry Lyndaker as the Board's representative to the North Country HOME Consortium.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Moser, seconded by Legislator Nortz, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 26 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
NYS DEC OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Herb Frost III as the Board's representative to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Open Space Advisory Committee.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Moroughan, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 27 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Thomas Osborne as the Board's representative to the Lewis County Planning Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Moser, seconded by Legislator Frost, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 28 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Joshua Leviker as the Board's representative to the Lewis County Alternatives to Incarceration Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Moroughan, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 29 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO
LEWIS COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Andrea Moroughan and Legislator Thomas Kalamas as the Board's representatives to the Lewis County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors.

Section 2. That the term of said appointments shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Moser, seconded by Legislator Osborne, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 30 - 2024
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU ADVISORY BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Legislator Vincent Nortz as the Board's representative to the Lewis County Youth Bureau Advisory Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Kalamas, seconded by Legislator Leviker, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 31 - 2024
STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence Dolhof, Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Lewis hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by this official to the Clerk of this body:

Title	Name	Standard Work Day	Term Begins/Ends	Days/Month
Elected Officials				
County Clerk	Lyle J. Moser	8	1/1/2024-12/31/2027	23.54
County Treasurer	Eric Virkler	8	1/1/2024-12/31/2027	23.54
Legislator	Joshua P. Leviker	6	1/1/2024-12/31/2025	3.56
Legislator - Chair	Lawrence L. Dolhof	6	1/1/2024-12/31/2025	11.09
Appointed Officials				

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Moser, and adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2024.

OTHER BUSINESS:

County Attorney Joan McNichol reported that this years Annual Holiday Basket Raffle was a success. This is the 9th year that the County Departments have held this event. This year there were 21 baskets that raised a total of \$1,770.00 to be split between the Rene Beyer Fund and the Local Food Pantries. Since the inception of the event in 2014, there has been a total of just over \$14,000.00 raised for various charities. She recognized Cassandra Moser, Amanda Lawton, and her office staff for all the hard work they put into the event.

Chairman Dolhof reminded the Board and the incoming legislators that there will be a caucus held at Mike Young's Office at 11:00 a.m. to give time for some of the legislators to meet with the auditors before heading over.

Legislator Hathway stated that Herb Frost will be taking his place on the Board and will be able to continue his special reports on Harrisville accomplishments. He reported that Harrisville Central School students have had the opportunity to send another experiment into space, so congratulations for this amazing accomplishment.

There being no other business to come before the Board, Legislator Chartrand moved that the Board adjourn the meeting at 10:38 a.m., seconded by Legislator Hathway, and carried.