SEC Form 4

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMOLYANSKY EDWARD					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Lifeway Foods, Inc. [LWAY]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/21/2023								Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
1219 N. WELLS ST.					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) CHICAGO IL 60610													X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)																		
		Table	I - Non-Deriv	ative	Secu	rities	Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or E	Benefici	ally Owr	ned	,			
Date			2. Transacti Date (Month/Day		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			and 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Follo		6. Owner Form: D (D) or Indirect	irect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		ed ction(s) 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4	<u>'</u>	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, no par value 08/21)23	23			S		8,000	D	\$9.02	1,3	1,341,439				
Common Stock, no par value 08/21/202)23	3			S	Ш	5,000	D	\$9.18(1	1,3	1,336,439		·		
Common Stock, no par value 08/22/202)23	3			S	Ш	17,474	D	\$10.08	2) 1,3	1,318,965				
Common Stock, no par value 08/23/202)23				S	Ш	19,526	D	\$10.3(2	1,2	99,439	D			
Common Stock, no par value													83	3,333	I		See footnote ⁽³⁾	
Common Stock, no par value													50	500,000		I See footnote		
		Та	ble II - Deriva (e.g., p							posed of, convertib				ed	•			
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	saction (Instr.	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expi	ate Exe ration I nth/Day		Deriv	int of ities rlying ative ity (Instr.	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e Coss Fally Dog (I	0. Iwnershij orm: irect (D) r Indirect) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						

Explanation of Responses:

^{1.} The sale price represents a weighted average price for shares sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$9.00 to \$9.99 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission and any security holder of the Issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes 1 and 2 of this Form 4.

- $2. \ The sale price represents a weighted average price for shares sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$10.00 to \$10.99 per share.$
- 3. Beneficially held by the Edward Smolyansky Trust 2/2/16, of which Edward Smolyansky is the trustee.
- 4. Held by Smolyansky Holding LLC. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein.

/s/ Edward Smolyansky 08/23/2023

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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