

# Concord Village Voice ♦ January 2021

**Village of Concord:** 110 Hanover Street-PO Box 306 Concord, MI 49237 / 524-8534 / M-Th: 8am– 6pm

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## Village Meeting Dates and Times

All meetings are held in the Village Commons unless otherwise noted and are open to the public. Come participate in your local government!

### The Village Council will now meet one time per month!!

Village Council: January 26th @ 7:00pm At the Community Center

Parks & Recreation: January 5th @ 7:00pm

Planning Commission: January 19th @ 6:30pm

Fire Board: January 20th— @6:00pm - Meeting at Fire House

## ABC ACADEMY

**ABC Academy Concord location is offering Preschool, Latchkey and Summer Camp programs at Concord Community Schools!**

### **Our programs include:**

Full and Half Day Preschool for children ages 33 months to 4 years of age.

State Funded Free GSRP Preschool for children 4 years of age.

Before and After school Latchkey Programs

Summer Camp Programs

Music and Yoga Enrichment programs

S.T.E.M. Curriculum and Technology

Security Access Doors.

Electronic Parent Communication Systems

Please contact Cyndi Laeder, Program Director at

[cynthial@abcacademyjackson.com](mailto:cynthial@abcacademyjackson.com) or by phone at 517-740-0167 If you are interested in enrolling your child in our high quality programs.

Visit our website for more information

[www.abcacademyjackson.com](http://www.abcacademyjackson.com)

ABC Academy-a great place for your child to grow, learn and succeed!

## Attention Concord Village Residents:

If Semco has completed work on your property and did not leave it in the same condition it was prior to the work please contact Semco Customer Service at 1-800-624-2019. Semco is responsible for the repairs.

Concord Girl Scouts are taking orders for their fabulous cookies now! All of your favorites are back again this year - Tagalongs, Thin Mints, Samoas, Trefoils, Do-Si-Dos, S'Mores and Lemon-Ups... as well as our gluten-free Toffee-Tastics! In-person or Online ordering, with girl-delivery or shipped-to-you options available. And, if you can't eat 'em, you can treat 'em...donations for Hometown Heroes are always welcome! Just ask your favorite Girl Scout, to order yours - or call 517-524-7340/ text 517-230-0596 to get connected.

## No Overnight Parking on Village Streets

From 2:00am to 6:00am—November 1st through May 1st.  
This is in place so the DPW can plow and salt our streets.

## Winter Sidewalk Ordinance

By law you must clear your sidewalk of snow and ice within 24 hours of a minor snowfall or 48 hours in snow falls greater than 4 inches. Violation of this Ordinance is punishable by a \$50 to \$500 fine and cost to remove snow or ice.

The Village Office would like to update their contact information. A lot of the phone numbers we have on file are no longer in service.

Please email your updated information to [office@villageofconcord.com](mailto:office@villageofconcord.com) or call 517-524-8534 Monday—Thursday 8-5. Thank you.

## Concord District Library's Upcoming Events

Concord Branch of the Jackson District Library are back to their regular hours! Drop by to see what new books and movies are in or place a hold online and pick it up at the circulation desk! Computers can be accessed for up to an hour per day! Browsing is still closed to the public, but the friendly staff is there to welcome and assist you!

Hours:

Monday and Wednesday 10-6

Tuesday and Friday 1-6

Saturday 10-2

## Village Voice—Village of Concord Website

Do you have community information you want included in the Village Voice or on Village of Concord Website? Call Village Office. Email: [office@villageofconcord.com](mailto:office@villageofconcord.com). All info. must be submitted a week or more prior to the beginning of the month. The submission deadline for the February issue is January 21st.

## GRANGER GARBAGE/RECYCLE INFO

**You may have three additional bags of garbage if you have a 90 gal trash bin!**

**Please place all bags of garbage and recycling in your bin!**

Garbage Pick Up: At curb by 6am Tuesday morning.

**Village Council Meeting Minutes-November 24, 2020 Absent: View at [www.villageofconcord.com](http://www.villageofconcord.com) or pickup hard copy at Village Office**

**Motioned by J. Jackson, seconded by A. Meeks, to accept the minutes from the 10/27/2020 meeting as presented Motion approved by all.**

**Public Comments:**

K. Wyatt asked about the City-County non-motorized trail plan. J. Bush stated that himself, E. Poleski and T. De-Oliveira had met recently with MDOT.

**Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by J. Jackson, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$48,724.17. Motion approved by all.**

**Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by K. George, to approve the payment of expense for the USDA water main project in the amount of \$1,022,148.85. Motion approved by all.**

Deputy Jacobson discussed his October 2020 blotter. To view a copy of his October Concord Area Police Blotter, go to the Village website at [www.villageofconcord.com](http://www.villageofconcord.com) look on the home page – quick links.

J. Blossom gave an update on the roads. Phase I is 98% complete. The contractor would like to begin Phase II as early as next week however the person at the DEQ who needs to approve the permit is off work and we will need to wait until he returns. He also stated leaf pickup is complete as of 11/17/2020. J. Blossom mentioned permits have been pulled for the building of two new homes in the Paddock subdivision and another is in the process of getting permits. He has contacted Consumers about getting power ran to the sewer lagoon to operate the aerators. The Village has submitted the information required and we are just waiting on a date. J. Blossom listed the 1993 single axle dump truck on Marketplace asking for sealed bids to be returned to the Village Office by December 8, 2020. Minimum bid of \$5,000.00.

J. Blossom asked the council to approve a cost-of-living increase for water and a slight increase for sewer, these rate increases are a requirement from the USDA to continue to pay the bond taken out for the water main replacement project.

**Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by A. Meeks to increase the water rates by \$1.00 and the sewer rates by \$.50 effective January 1, 2021. All were in favor. Motion approved.**

J. Bush discussed the Phase II Water Infrastructure Construction Bond Ordinance. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by A. Meeks to approve the Phase II Water Infrastructure Construction Bond Ordinance. Roll call vote as follows: J. Bush – aye, J. Jackson – aye, T. Norris – aye, T. Casey – aye, A. Meeks – aye, M. Lovitt – aye, K. George – aye. Motion approved.

J. Bush discussed the WOW Franchise agreement. K. George questioned renewing the agreement as WOW does not service the entire Village and other council members spoke of speed issues. He would like to make contact with WOW first to see if they will be expanding their services to include the entire village and possibly update net infrastructure. This has been tabled until contact can be made.

J. Bush stated that prior to the regular meeting there was a closed session meeting to discuss employee reviews. J. Bush stated he felt all employees had been doing a great job and as a result of their work have saved the Village substantial money and/or made the Village money through their work.

Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by J. Jackson to give employees J. Blossom, K. Thomas, N. Kidder, J. Lefere and C. Gibbs each a \$1.00 per hour pay increase. All were in favor. Motion approved.

**Council Comments:**

A. Meeks stated the Fire Dept. proposed budget was sent in. It will be approved at the next council meeting with the rest of the Village Budget.