

Village of Concord Council Minutes

The Village Council of Concord met on September 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Village Office.

Council Members Present: Tim Casey, Jeremiah Bush, Jeff Jackson, Jason Mockeridge, Kayla Bush, Mike Lovitt and Ashley Meeks.

Council Members Absent: None

Public Present: A. Losey, D. Cesco, Village Clerk J. Lefere, K. Casey, T. Norris, DPW Director J. Blossom, Officer L. Jacobson, K. Wyatt and J. Steers.

For their review, Council members were e-mailed or given: Bills to be paid in amount of \$41,013.39, J. Bush broken server and replacement email, 214 E. Center St late fee waiver request, Ron Bradley fix street light not light poles email and Lawyer Eric White Don Munster suit and settlement email.

Motioned by K. Bush, seconded by A. Meeks, to accept the minutes from the September 13, 2016 meeting, as presented. The motion was approved by all.

Public Comments: None

J. Bush explained to the Council and public, the large monetary amount of bills to be paid is largely due to the Iron Belle Trail project, the Village must initially pay the \$19,895 for the construction of the trail project but will be reimbursed for the amount through the MDNRE Grant. The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$41,013.39 was presented. Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Jackson, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$41,013.39. Motion approved by all.

Officer L. Jacobson commented on how nice the Salesman Building is looking since being painted. He also wanted to inform the Village that the SEMCO solicitor that was going around the Village a few weeks ago was legit. There were a few concerns from residents. The owner of the blighted house on Homer Rd. with the blue tarp has contacted Officer L. Jacobson and asked for more time on the blight issue since he has put his house up for sale. The Council decided that he has been given sufficient time and agreed that Officer L. Jacobson would go talk with him and let him know that the tarp needs to be taken down.

J. Blossom stated the North Main Street Asphalt Replacement Project start date is scheduled to begin October 10th and the completion date is projected for November 15, 2016. Blossom also stated Consumers Energy is in the Village taking down several trees. J. Blossom stated Dollar General has had their final inspections and will be opening soon. He informed the Council B. Williams III, the new part time DPW employee is working out well. J. Blossom asked the council if he could schedule employee reviews for his department to be reviewed at the first meeting in November as to have them completed and approved before the 2017 budget is finalized.

J. Bush asked the council if they were willing to waive the late fee penalties at 214 E. Center St. The house was sold 4 months ago and the new owners failed to call to have the account placed in their name. The council denied the request as it is the new owners' responsibility to contact the Village Office to ensure the utilities are placed in their name.

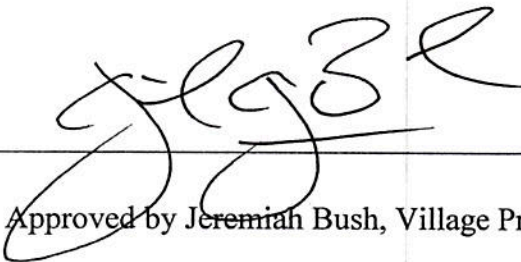
Council Comments:


K. Bush reminded the Council of her request from the previous meeting regarding a streetlight at Harmon St. and Michigan St. She informed the council she has been in contact with Larry at Consumers and since there is an existing pole and the cost will be \$100.00 to install a streetlight. K. Bush stated she wishes to donate the \$100.00 to the Village to cover the expense.

J. Bush informed the Council he met with an Eagle Scout candidate who is interested in doing some projects in the Village, a nature trail by Paddock Lake is a possibility. J. Bush also informed the Council that one of the flag gate culprits will be completing community service hours with Village's DPW, Sheriff Deputy Larry Jacobson and the School.

The council voted on placing the funds necessary to complete the Main St. Streetscaping Project into next year's projected budget. The streetscaping plan was presented by J. Mockeridge at the previous meeting. Motioned by K. Bush, seconded by J. Jackson, to place the necessary funds to complete the Main St. Streetscaping Project into next year's projected budget. The motion was approved by all.

With no other business to discuss, it was motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by K. Bush, to adjourn at 7:24 pm. Motion approved by all.


Approved by Jeremiah Bush, Village President


Date