

## Village of Concord Council Minutes

The Village Council of Concord met on October 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Village Office.

Council Members Present: Jeremiah Bush, Tom Norris, Jeff Jackson, Jason Mockeridge, Tim Casey, M. Lovitt and Ashley Meeks.

Council Members Absent: None

Public Present: K. Wyatt, A. Losey, B. Barton, H. England, Deputy L. Jacobson, DPW Director J. Blossom, and Village Clerk J. Lefere.

For their review, Councilmembers were e-mailed or given: Bills to be Paid in Amount of \$14,178.09; Revenue and Expenditure Report through 9/30/2017; 9/27/2017 Fire Board Minutes; August 2017 Fire Run Report; September Concord Police Blotter; Gerald Ford Wolverine Commemorative Statue Correspondence E-Mail; 09/26/2017 Village Council Meeting Proposed Minutes; 9/26/2017 Council Meeting Agenda.

Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Jackson, to accept the minutes from the 09/26/2017 meeting, as presented. The motion was approved by all.

Public Comments:

No Public Comments.

The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$14,178.09 was presented. Motioned by M. Lovitt, seconded by A. Meeks, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$14,178.09. Motion approved by all.

Deputy L. Jacobson informed everyone to keep their things locked up as there was a U-Haul trailer stolen from McMasters in the Village during the month of August and a travel trailer was stolen from a neighboring community. If it is not secured it could potentially be stolen. He also mentioned the complaints he has received about the number of feral cats in the community and that there is nothing that can be done. L. Jacobson also let the Council know that November 1<sup>st</sup> is the citation date for the blue tarp house and the old Murdock Floor Covering Building if their blight issues are not completed. He also stated that there is a Village dog that got loose and killed some chickens and turkeys in the Township. He is keeping a close watch on the ballfields and parks making sure that the vehicles there are visiting for legitimate reasons.

J. Blossom reminded the Council of the Bond 2017 Community Forum that will be held at the Concord High School Library Wednesday October 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. He also mentioned there will be a Senior Coffee Hour on the Bond held at the High School Library on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. All are welcome to attend.

J. Blossom is looking into a solution for the sewer discharge from the lagoons. In talking with the MDEQ it was suggested placing an aerator in the ponds. The biggest cost to the Village will be getting power back to the lagoons. He is recommending a small pontoon with a 5 hp motor to keep the water churned up. The company in Addison that does water testing for the Village has 10 used pontoons, J. Blossom will be getting prices.

J. Bush informed the Council that he, J. Blossom and Village Attorney F. Lucas met to discuss the outstanding \$90,000.00 in assessment fees at the Paddock Subdivision that was brought up during the Village's 2017 audit. After this discussion the three met with two multiple lot land owners of the vacant lots in the subdivision to come up with a plan to get these assessments paid to the Village. The contracts from about thirty years ago states all assessments must be paid when a building permit is obtained or for one of the multiple vacant lot owners that the assessments are due 5 years after all the "roads" in the subdivision are paved and for the other lot owner the contract states the assessments are due 7 years after all the "roads" in the subdivision are paved. In order to be in compliance with the contract the Village along with their legal counsel and advice from their accountants decided to uphold their end of the contract and pave Jenks St. By paving Jenks St., the \$90,000.00 in outstanding assessment fees will start being collected 5 to 7 years from the date of completion of the paving of Jenks St. J. Blossom presented the Council with three cost estimates. They are: Rieth-Riley Construction with a bid of \$75,913.00, American Asphalt, Inc. with a bid of \$68,254.00 and Concord Excavating, Inc. with a bid of \$58,928.00.

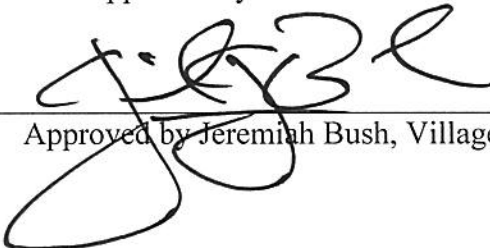
Motioned by M. Lovitt, seconded by T. Casey to have Concord Excavating, Inc. pave Jenks St. at the cost of \$58,928.00. Roll call vote: J. Bush – Aye, J. Jackson – Aye, T. Norris – Aye, T. Casey – Aye, A. Meeks – Aye, M. Lovitt – Aye and J. Mockeridge – Nay. Motion approved.

Council Comments:

M. Lovitt mentioned that he has been questioned about the blue house on Main St. L. Jacobson stated that it is not a blighted house. He also stated that he has received complaints about a white van parked on the wrong side of the street on Hanover St. The Council agreed that they will have L. Jacobson issuing parking tickets in the Village that will be payable at the Village Office.

J. Bush stated that the Wolverine Statue will be placed by the Village Office and that they are looking at replacing the ramp and fascia in front of the Village Office next Spring. He also said he was approached by the Bradley's, who own a wooded lot adjacent to Mill Pond Park and they are interested in putting in a small structure to offer bike rentals, snack and drinks. J. Bush purchased from E-bay five 8x10 pictures of the Village which were taken in the 1890's, he has donated them to the Village and they will be placed in the Village Commons Meeting Room for everyone to enjoy.

With no other business to discuss, it was motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by M. Lovitt, to adjourn at 8:11 pm. Motion approved by all.

  
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Approved by Jeremiah Bush, Village President

10/24/17  
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