

Village of Concord Council Minutes

The Village Council of Concord met on September 26, 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, D. Funston, 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 \$5,750.43; October Village Voice; 09/12/2017 Village Council Meeting Proposed Minutes; 9/26/2017 Council Meeting Agenda.

Motioned by J. Jackson, seconded by A. Meeks, to accept the minutes from the 09/12/2017 meeting, as presented. The motion was approved by all.

Public Comments:

D. Funston, Concord Community Schools Superintendent introduced himself and discussed the 1.58 mill increase bond proposal which will be on the ballot November 7th. He also explained what needed repaired at the school. For more information please visit the CCS website at www.concordschools.net or feel free to contact Superintendent Dan Funston at dan.funston@concordschools.net or 517-524-8850.

D. Funston also informed everyone that on Thursday October 5th the Township Clerk will be at the high school to register anyone who is not registered to vote in the upcoming election on November 7th.

K. Wyatt mentioned that he and his wife just returned from a National Parks vacation and they noticed a sign while passing through Upton Wyoming with the town motto "The Greatest Town on Earth" and wondered if Concord had or could come up with a motto.

The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$5,750.43 was presented. Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Mockeridge, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$5,750.43. Motion approved by all.

Deputy L. Jacobson was unable to attend.

J. Blossom discussed the downtown building located at 114 N. Main St. The building is owned by L. Mosher and Mosher plans to rent the building for a low rate of \$200.00 per month to start out and as the business prospers he will renegotiate the rent. J. Blossom also mentioned that the DEQ inspection of the water system went well. He also mentioned that the Asset Management report will be done soon and the Village is ahead of schedule.

With concern for the Village's recent substantial investment in the Downtown Business District the Village will be clearing the snow and salting the new sidewalk put in. J. Blossom presented the Council with price quotes for two industrial strength Honda snow blowers: \$2,900.00 from Godfreys and \$3,162.00 from Superior, both come with a three-year warranty. This would be purchased from the Major Street Fund. It was motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Jackson to approve the purchase of the snow blower from Godfreys in the amount of \$2,900.00 to clear snow in the Business District. All were in favor. Motion approved.

J. Blossom briefly discussed the Main St. bridge inspection. The Village's bridges are structurally in really good shape however there is some concrete fascia replacement work that needs to be done. J. Blossom will be meeting with the inspector in October. Blossom also noted there is grant funds available to offset the costs to the Village for the preventative maintenance. Before the Village can complete the preventative maintenance work on the bridge the adjacent dam must be inspected; something that according to our inspector has never occurred. The Village's sewer line which runs beneath the bridge will receive some preventative maintenance work as well.

Council Comments:

A. Meeks reminded the council that the Fire Board meeting has been changed to September 27th.

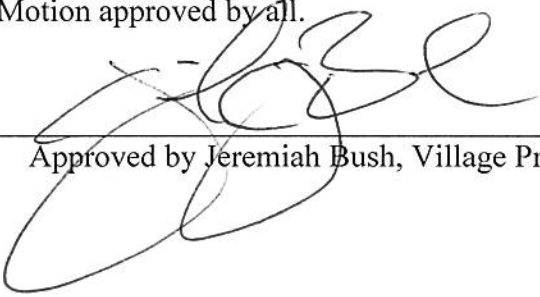
J. Bush asked the Council where they would like to place the commemorative Gerald Ford Wolverine statue which is being donated to the Village. The majority of the Council agreed that it would be best to keep it in the business district and place it by the Village Office.

J. Bush also informed the Council that he, J. Blossom and Village Attorney F. Lucas would be meeting to discuss the Paddock subdivision with some of the landowners.

J. Bush mentioned that the Planning Commission is working on putting together a review board that a resident/homeowner that receives a Foreclosed, Vacant or Abandoned letter can come to the Committee to discuss, review and dispute their properties designation.

J. Bush asked that the Minutes from August 8, 2017 be amended to include the payment of the bills. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by J. Mockeridge to approve the payment of the bills from the 8-8-2017 meeting in the amount of \$38,336.90. Motion approved by all.

With no other business to discuss, it was motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by M. Lovitt, to adjourn at 7:56 pm. Motion approved by all.



Approved by Jeremiah Bush, Village President

10/10/17
Date