

## Village of Concord Council Minutes

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

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

Council Members Absent: None.

Public Present: A. Losey, K. Mills, D. Cesco, A. Cavasin, L. Mosher, DPW Director J. Blossom, K. Wyatt, Officer L. Jacobson and Village Clerk J. Lefere.

For their review, Council members were e-mailed or given: Bills to be Paid in amount of \$44,202.60, 01/10/2017 Council Meeting Agenda, Revenue and Expense Report thru 12/31/2016, 12/27/2016 Village Council Meeting Proposed Minutes, Foreclosed, Abandoned and Vacant Property Ordinance.

New Councilmember Thomas Norris was sworn in by Clerk J. Lefere and officially joined the Concord Village Council.

Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Jackson, to accept the minutes from the December 27, 2016 meeting, as presented. The motion was approved by all.

### Public Comments:

Fire Chief L. Mosher informed the Council the fire department went on 232 calls in 2016 down from 248 in 2015. He did not have a breakdown yet as to how many calls were in the Village and how many were in the Township. He also informed the Council he revoked a social fire permit from a Village resident and asked the Council to review the current fire pit permit and the ordinance. J. Blossom suggested L. Mosher look it over and modify to his liking, then J. Blossom and L. Mosher will review and present to the Council. J. Bush also noted that T. Norris will be the new fire board member. L. Mosher stated the fire department came in under budget for 2016 and they will go ahead and pay off Engine 2 this month. The payoff amount is \$40,002.11. He also wanted to remind everyone that the fire board meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM and encouraged residents to attend.

A. Cavasin informed the council that the County is looking at a ballot initiative for a bond for the YMCA and Lifeways. He stated that the township will be writing a letter opposing this due to the fact they are privately owned businesses and shouldn't be supported with public tax money.

The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$44,202.60 was presented. Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Jackson, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$44,202.60. Motion approved by all.

L. Jacobson informed the council after to speaking to several residents recently about cleaning up their property, they have completed the cleanup and/or are making progress.

J. Blossom stated the 2002 dump/plow truck, with only 18,000 miles, has gone in for a new transmission and he is looking at having a live P.T.O. installed, he will keep the council posted. J. Blossom spoke with L. Jacobson regarding what needed to be done to the old police car, a 2011 with 80,000 miles, before putting it up for sale. They decided it involved much more than the cars value to sell to the public and the car should be posted on a State Vehicle For Sale Site. The Council in discussion asked for a minimum bid of \$3,500.00. J. Blossom noted the Street Scaping Project is being bid on 2/2/2017 at 10:00 am at the Village Office. The Village received a revised estimate from Jack Ripstra for \$86,000.00, which is about \$10,000.00 less than the original estimate.

J. Bush informed the Council Tony Brooks was unable to attend the meeting due to his daughter's basketball game. T. Brooks was requesting permission from the Council to hang a banner over Main St. announcing the Cadet Tavern is under new ownership. J. Bush stated the Council needed to revisit the sign ordinance for changes in the future as it is outdated, K. Mills agreed. L. Mosher inquired as to whether this would be offered to all businesses. J. Bush spoke about the limited abilities the Council has to assist local businesses and this would be an opportunity for the Council to do so, as well as offer the opportunity to other area businesses (including Township businesses), non-profits, churches, community organizations, etc for their special events. T. Casey commented he would like to see a sign placed on M-60 indicating the businesses located in Concord. J. Bush stated he would put together a Banner Agreement to present to the Council which will include the guidelines of accepted events, size requirements to use Village's existing rigging and the cost which would cover the DPW hanging a banner. M. Lovitt motioned to allow Banners hanging over Main St according to the Banner Agreement that will be presented by J. Bush.

Roll Call vote:

J. Bush – Aye

J. Jackson – Aye

T. Norris – Aye

T. Casey – Aye

A. Meeks – Aye

M. Lovitt – Aye

J. Mockeridge – Nay

Motion approved.

A. Losey asked the Council to approve allowing his business to move from 189 E. Jackson Rd. to 119 W. Jackson Rd. on the Medical Marihuana Facility Permit he has already submitted. J. Mockeridge asked A. Losey to stop in the Village Office and fill out a new form with the new address. Losey also asked the ordinance be changed to read Provisioning Center in place of the current name of Compassion Center due to State Law which requires this. A. Losey will be coming in at a later date to possibly request a variance on the zoning to open a small indoor grow facility in the back of his building using a separate address and entrance to that location. K. Wyatt asked A. Losey to explain changes in the law, A. Losey complied and mentioned if anyone would like to read more on this there are packets he produced available in the Village Office. J. Mockeridge made a motion to allow the change of the business address from 189 E. Jackson to 119 W. Jackson. Seconded by A. Meeks.

Roll Call vote:

J. Bush – Aye

J. Jackson – Aye

T. Norris – Aye

T. Casey – Aye

A. Meeks – Aye

M. Lovitt – Aye

J. Mockeridge – Aye

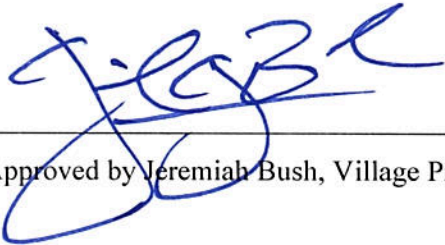
Motion approved.

J. Bush informed the council that Little Valley, AKA Three Oaks Estates is disputing the ready to service fee for the months of October 2016 and November 2016. The total of these fees is \$79.52. They are on the agenda for the next meeting. J. Blossom recommends we do away with any special agreements and change the ordinance to read the bills will be mailed to the property owner/tax payer.

J. Bush informed the Council he was contacted by the prom committee chair and they would like to host Concord High School's 2017 Prom at the Concord Library and are requesting Main St be shut down from Hanover St. to Center St for a red carpet entry from 6-9 pm on May 7, 2017. The Council was concerned the Streetscaping Project may be going on during this time and if the project will interfere with prom the Village may offer the Community Center if it is available. The Council agreed to allow Main St. to be closed for the Prom with several Councilmember's mentioning they would be willing to volunteer to place road closed signage to block the roads and remove it.

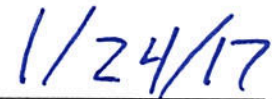
J. Bush discussed the Foreclosed, Vacant & Abandoned Property Registry Ordinance the Council received via email for their review. The Council will vote on adopting this ordinance at a future meeting. J. Bush thanked M. Lovitt and T. Casey for their work on this.

With no other business to discuss, it was motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Mockeridge, to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Motion approved by all.



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Approved by Jeremiah Bush, Village President



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