

Concord Village Voice ♦ November 2020

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: November 24th @ 7:00pm At the Community Center

Parks & Recreation: November 3rd @ 7:00pm

Planning Commission: November 17th @ 6:30pm

Fire Board: November 18th— @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@abccademyjackson.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.abccademyjackson.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.

Fire Department

Fire chief Lloyd Mosher along with the rest of the Fire Department would like to thank Vic & Karen Face for allowing the department to house the trucks in their building while the concrete was done at the Fire Station!

Concord-Pulaski Community Christmas Boxes

Again this year four area churches will work together to collect non-perishable food, gifts and monetary donations! Collection boxes will be at Dollar General, Pulaski Twp. Hall, and Concord UMC beginning 11/1/20 thru 12/11/20 if you would like to make a donation!

The boxes will be packed on 12/17/20 at the Concord Community Center on 12/17/20 from 10-3 and available for pickup or delivery on 12/18 & 12/19!

If you or someone you know could benefit from receiving a box please contact the committee chairperson, Robyn Passmore—517-524-8432 (home) 517-524-6156 (work). Student(s) must attend Concord Schools to receive a Christmas box! The deadline to request a box is 12/1/2020!

LEAF PICKUP

Leaf pickup has begun and will continue through November 13th.

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.

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

Please check the JDL website for updated information.

www.myjdl.com

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. All info. must be submitted a week or more prior to the beginning of the month. The submission deadline for the December issue is November 18th.

GRANGER GARBAGE/RECYCLE INFO

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

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

Village Council Meeting Minutes-September 22, 2020 Absent: View at www.villageofconcord.com or pickup hard copy at Village Office

Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by K. George, to accept the minutes from the 8/25/2020 meeting as presented Motion approved by all.

Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by M. Lovitt to accept the minutes from the 9/8/2020 special meeting as presented. Motion approved by all.

Public Comments:

E. Poleski gave an update on the most recent Jackson County Commissioners meeting. For information go to <https://www.co.jackson.mi.us/365/Jackson-County-Commissioners> and select the news tab.

K. Wyatt asked E. Poleski about donations that were made to Cascades Park several years ago and if there is an account where these funds were placed and is it still active. E. Poleski said he would look into and report back at the next meeting.

A. Losey informed the council he is taking over the maintenance of the flower bed at Gottschalk Park.

Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Jackson, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$111,592.26. Motion approved by all.

Deputy Jacobson discussed his August 2020 blotter. To view a copy of his August Concord Area Police Blotter, go to the Village website at www.villageofconcord.com look on the home page – quick links.

J. Blossom gave an update on the roads. The paving will begin in the next two weeks and be complete by November 1st. Blossom mentioned a portion of the parking lot in front of the community center is in bad shape. He suggested the Village tear out this section and have it paved at the same time as Homer Road and it would be a lot less costly than if we wait and was to have it completed on its own in the future. The Council agreed and asked him to have it done. J. Blossom received a quote from ETNA on pipe prices if the Village were to bid phase two instead of doing a change order. The quote for the pipe alone would be at least \$30,000.00 more plus sales tax more than the price the Village would receive if they were to be granted the opportunity to complete Phase Two by the USDA and continue to use the current contractor.

J. Blossom mentioned turning west off of Michigan St. onto Hanover is difficult due to a light pole currently placed at this corner. Blossom and the Village reached out to Consumers and they will relocate the light pole to allow for wider turns. G. Thorrez commented on the difficulty delivery trucks have making that turn to get to his business. The intersection will be more accommodating to semi-trucks when the road is complete. E. Schultz talked about the narrowing of Hanover Street in this same area and his concerns regarding parking for events at the Paddock-Hubbard House, The Heritage House and the local churches on Hanover St. The Paddock Hubbard House Association offered to donate the cost to keep this section of Hanover St. running from Michigan St. to Union St. the current width. The cost is estimated to be about \$38,000.00. The council decided to cover \$23,000.00 and the Paddock Hubbard House would donate the remaining \$15,000.00. All were in agreement.

J. Bush revisited the suggestion from T. Casey regarding Children Crossing signs at the intersection of N. Concord and Railroad Streets because there are a lot of children that play in the area. J. Blossom will check on prices for the signs and report at the next meeting. Other council members were concerned how many other residents may want signs on their street where groups of kids are playing.

T. Norris gave an update on the Community Memorial Day Flags. He spoke with L. Root and he is willing to continue placing the flags but will need volunteers to assist.

J. Bush discussed the Jackson City/County non-motorized plan and stated he recommended the Village not support the plan because the portion of the Falling Water Trail running from Spring Arbor to the Village would be cut out of the Great Lake to Great Lake and Iron Belle Trail statewide trail plan. E. Poleski asked the council to give him time to look into the matter as he did not realize the Village had been cut out. He will report back at the next meeting.

Council Comments: None.