

Concord Village Voice ♦ April 2021

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: April 27th @ 7:00pm At the Community Center

Parks & Recreation: April 6th @ 7:00pm

Planning Commission: April 20th @ 6:30pm

Fire Board: April 21st @ 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@abcacademyjackson.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.abcacademyjackson.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.

Yard Waste Collection

Yard waste shall be collected during the first FULL week of each month, weather permitting, according to the following policies: All materials for collection shall be placed at the edge of the street no later than 7:00 am of the morning of the collection week. All eligible materials shall be placed in biodegradable paper bags, bundles or labeled containers with a maximum of 50 lbs. per unit. The maximum limit is 10 units, per residence, per pick up. Leaves may be left loose for collection in the fall. Tree limbs and brush must be cut to lengths not exceeding 5 feet and cannot exceed 6 inches in circumference.

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.

The Village Office would like to update their contact information.

A lot of the phone numbers we have on file are no longer in service.

Please email your updated information to office@villageofconcord.com or call 517-524-8534 Monday—Thursday 8-5. Thank you.

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

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 May issue is April 19th.

GRANGER GARBAGE/RECYCLE INFO

You may have three additional bags of garbage if you have a 90 gal trash bin!
Please place all bags of garbage and recycling in your bin!

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

Village Council Meeting Minutes– February 23, 2021 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 1/26/2021 meeting as presented Motion approved by all.

Public Comments:

E. Poleski discussed the Covid vaccine and how there remains to be a shortage at this time. He stated that 17% of Jackson County residents have been vaccinated. There is a Covid line you can call for information – 517-817-4469. This is a recorded message. For information on the Jackson County Commissioners meeting go to <https://www.co.jackson.mi.us/365/Jackson-County-Commissioners> and select the news tab.

The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$65,542.52 was presented. Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by M. Lovitt, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$65,542.52. Motion approved by all.

USDA RD Water Main Project Pay Approval in the amount of \$129,891.15 was presented. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by K. George, to approve the payment of Expense for Water Main Project in the amount of \$129,891.15. Motion approved by all.

J. Blossom gave an update on the water main project. Harmon Ave. and Michigan St. to the well house are complete. When the weather warms up, they will be able to test it and turn on the new main. He also stated that there was an issue with the new hydrants that were ordered, the company delivered the wrong hydrants. We are waiting to get them switched out. J. Blossom also informed the council that the person with the highest bid for the 2003 Ford F350 Dump Truck decided he did not want the truck once he came to pick it up. The truck was then sold to the next highest bidder for \$6,675.00.

Deputy Jacobson discussed the property at 203 N. Main St. Citations were issued and it has gone to the courts. The owner's attorney has contacted the village attorney. The Village attorney stated that the village is not out to collect money and would just like the area to be cleaned up. L. Jacobson also discussed the resident who lived at 220 W. Center, their house has been sold and the camper has been moved from her mother's property. L. Jacobson handed out 5 snow shoveling letters and within 24 hours everyone had shoveled their driveways. L. Jacobson also stated that he was contacted regarding a resident complaint that some neighbor kids had built a snow fort on this resident's property without permission and was concerned about the liability if it were to collapse and one the kids were hurt or killed and wanted to know who they should report this to. L. Jacobson said they should talk to the kids and the parents. To view a copy of L. Jacobson's December Concord Area Police Blotter, go to the Village website at www.villageofconcord.com look on the home page – quick links.

T. Casey discussed the WOW account and instead of updating the Village server right now with ITRight he would like to try increasing the internet speed at the office. Motioned by T. Casey, seconded by T. Norris to update the internet to 120mbps. All were in favor. Motion approved.

T. Casey also wanted to discuss the Village Presidents pay. When the Village decided to drop from 2 meetings per month to one the Village President took a \$1,200.00 a year pay cut. T. Casey and other council members felt he should be paid more.

J. Bush is happy with what he makes and does not do the job for the money, he enjoys what he does and does it to better the community.

J. Bush discussed the meeting he was to attend earlier in the month was canceled and is rescheduled for the 2nd Wednesday in March @ 3pm to discuss different routes to continue the trail from Concord to Albion as part of the Great Lake to Great Lake/Iron Belle Trail Route. Region 2 and Jackson County are reviewing the routes and are particularly interested in the Allman Rd to VanWert Rd. route.

Council Comments:

T. Casey commended J. Blossom and his crew on the great job they are doing keeping the streets plowed. All council members agreed.