

## Village of Concord Council Minutes

The Village Council of Concord met on February 11, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Village Commons Meeting Room.

Council Members Present: Jeremiah Bush, Jeff Jackson, T. Norris, T. Casey, A. Meeks, Mike Lovitt and Kyle George.

Council Members Absent: None.

Public Present: K. Wyatt, B. Smith, P. Wilson, A. Losey, Deputy L. Jacobson, DPW Director J. Blossom, and Village Clerk J. Lefere.

For their review, Council Members were e-mailed or given: Bills to be Paid in Amount of \$115,558.07; Concord Area Police Blotter for January 2020; MEDC Redevelopment Ready Community Resolution Email; Village Dog Park Donation Email; Village May Face Vaccine Lawsuit Because CSLHC Plans to Give Vaccinations in Village Limits Email; 1/28/20 Village Council Meeting Proposed Minutes; 2/11/20 Council Meeting Agenda.

Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by K. George, to accept the minutes from the 1/28/2020 meeting. Motion approved by all.

### Public Comments:

P. Wilson, 2020 Census Worker attended the meeting to talk about the Census and to ask the Village if they would put information on the website and Facebook page about applying to be a Census Worker. The Village will post on the pages and also have information available for pickup in the office. She also wanted to let everyone know that this year's Census can be completed online. If you do not have access to a computer there is a phone number on the postcard being sent out to complete the Census over the phone or to request a paper copy. There will also be Census workers eventually sent out to people's who failed to complete the Census online, over the phone, or by paper.

B. Smith attended the meeting to once again inform the Council about the crumbling condition of the former Shannon's building. He presented pictures of the crumbling mortar and is concerned for the public safety of the residents. Kids could be injured if messing around by the building. J. Bush and L. Jacobson confirmed that we have been unable to make any contact with the owner of the building. L. Jacobson has sent numerous citations which have not been paid. It was discussed the Village making fixes to the building and placing the costs on the owners taxes however there is concern about liability. Jacobson will continue to try and make contact with the owner.

The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$115,558.07 was presented. Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Bush, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$115,558.07. Motion approved by all.

T. Casey discussed the Village Dog Park Donations. He has a resident that would like to remain anonymous with plans to donate \$1,000.00 to the Village to create a dog park. T. Casey is looking for someone that would like to spear head the fundraising for this project. A dog park had been discussed as a possibility and cost estimates were completed in the Parks and Rec committee previously but was shelved due to other priorities and cost. With donations in mind the Village is interested in exploring the feasibility of this project again and asked Blossom to get prices of fencing.

Deputy Jacobson discussed his January 2020 Police Blotter. To view a copy, go to the Village website at [www.villageofconcord.com](http://www.villageofconcord.com) look on the home page – quick links.

J. Blossom discussed the progress of the USDA Water Project. Concord Excavating have charged the new line and plan to flush it on Wednesday, sample test it on Thursday and if all goes well, they will tie in the services. He also mentioned the Thorrez (Behling) building located on the northeast part of the downtown business district and how nice it looks. They have made improvements to the back of the building. J. Blossom also noted that he had been contacted by a resident on Main Street that thought the Autistic Child sign was too close to his driveway. The Council confirmed that it was decided at the last meeting that the sign will remain where it is.

J. Bush mentioned to J. Blossom that he had been contacted by a building owner on N. Main St. and they wanted to know if the Village could change the way they plow N. Main so that snow does not get pushed onto the sidewalks. If they don't get there to shovel early in the morning the snow hardens and they have a hard time removing it from the sidewalk. After a short discussion it was decided that there will be no change in the current plow pattern.

Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by M. Lovitt to approve the Michigan Economic Development Corporation Redevelopment Ready Community Resolution. All were in favor. Motion approved.

Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by T. Casey to approve the Master Plan. All were in favor. Motion approved.

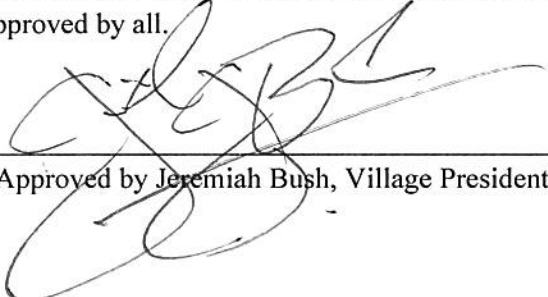
Council Comments:

T. Casey stated that he felt the planning meeting with the Township to approve the Concord Area Master Plan went very well. He also had some questions about the Concord Classic and where it would be held and if they are still accepting vendors. J. Blossom stated they should contact himself or Matt Lehman with questions/concerns about Concord Classic Weekend and they were accepting vendors. T. Casey also asked for comments from the Council regarding a flashing Speed Sign that he had previously sent a video of to them.

A. Meeks had a resident ask her if no parking signs could be put on Village streets. The residents is having a problem backing out of her driveway when a car is parked directly across the street from her driveway. When the street is narrow it is difficult to maneuver.

J. Bush discussed some information that was dropped off at the Village Office where a resident is concerned about the Village being sued if the CSLHC gives vaccinations and something happens to the person vaccinated. The Village will not be held responsible.

With no other business to discuss, it was motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by J. Bush, to adjourn at 8:03 pm. Motion approved by all.



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Approved by Jeremiah Bush, Village President

2/25/20

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