

Concord Village Voice ♦ December 2022

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 meets one time per month!!

Village Council: November 22nd @ 7:00pm

Parks & Recreation: November 1st @ 7:00pm

Planning Commission: November 15th @ 6:30pm

Fire Board: November 16th @ 6:00pm - Meeting at Fire House

Mann House Events

The Mann House will reopen for the holidays on Friday December 2nd from 6-8 pm.

Saturday, December 3, 2:00 to 4:00 & 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Sunday, December 4, 2:00 to 6:00 pm

Friday, December 9, 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Saturday, December 10, 2:00 to 4:00 & 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Sunday, December 11, 2:00 to 6:00 pm

Each Saturday from 2pm-4pm Michigan History Center Docent Doug Sharp will be playing Holiday music on the Mann House Piano.

No Overnight Parking on Village Streets

November 1st through May 1st.

This is in place so the DPW can plow and salt our streets.

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 January issue is December 16th.

Community Christmas Concert and Open Mic

at Concord UMC, Fri., Dec. 16, 7 pm. For information about performing, contact Nate, 21roccna@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday, Dec. 17 at noon, Wreaths Across America ceremony at Maple Grove Cemetery, Concord. If you have someone serving in the service and would like to place the wreath for their branch of service, call 517-937-3334. If you have/had a family member that was a POW/MIA and would like to place the POW/MIA flag, call the number above.

Light Up Concord Contest Sign Up

Sign up for the 2022 Light Up Concord Contest. This year there will be four categories you can enter to compete for a prize. You can enter as many categories as you want but can only win one prize. This is the 5th year for Light Up Concord. This year we will have weekend activities for the community and our main focus is to bring traffic to our Township and Village. If you have been able to drive around and see our contest entries over the years, they have been spectacular!! Let's grow this activity and make Concord a destination place in December. Thank you in advance for your support. Your entry will make Concord a December destination for surrounding areas. For more information please follow the Light Up Concord or Trail Head Coffee Shop Facebook Page!

Village of Concord Planning Commission Member Needed!

The Village is accepting applications for a position on the Planning Commission. Applications can be obtained at the Village Office. All applications must be submitted by Thursday October 13, 2022.

Concord District Library

Concord Branch of the Jackson District Library are back to their regular hours!

Hours:

Monday and Wednesday 10-6

Tuesday and Friday 1-6

Saturday 10-2

Saturday Morning Movies—Concord Library will be showing recently released movies in their auditorium on the 1st Saturday of each month. Showing at 11am. Enjoy a movie with your family along with a cup of coffee or hot chocolate and a snack! Crafts and activities for the kids will be available!

Weekly Take-n-Makes Stop by each week for a new take-home craft!

Monthly iSpy and Scavenger Hunt activities

Please check the JDL website for updated information.
www.myjdl.com

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!

Bags should be no larger than 30 gallon and weighing no more than 30lbs each

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

Village Council Meeting Minutes– October 25, 2022 Absent: View at www.villageofconcord.com or pickup hard copy at Village Office

Council Members Present: Jeremiah Bush, J. Jackson, T. Norris, T. Thurman, A. Meeks, M. Lovitt and K. George.

Council Members Absent: None.

Public Present: K. Wyatt, E. Poleski, DPW Director J. Blossom and Village Clerk J. Lefere.

Motioned by K. George, seconded by A. Meeks to accept the minutes from the 9/27/2022 meeting. Motion approved by all.

Public Comments:

E. Poleski gave an update on the County Commissioners meeting. 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 \$175,001.90 was presented. Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by K. George, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$175,001.90. Motion approved by all.

USDA RD Water Main Project Pay Approval in the amount of \$285,344.21 was presented. Motioned by M. Lovitt, seconded by J. Jackson, to approve the payment of Expense for Water Main Project in the amount of \$285,344.21. Motion approved by all.

L. Jacobson was unable to attend the meeting. To view a copy of L. Jacobson's Concord Area Police Blotter, go to the Village website at www.villageofconcord.com look on the home page – quick links. A copy may also be picked up in the Village Office.

J. Blossom stated that leaf pick-up has begun and will continue through November 18th, weather permitting. He also informed the council that he is getting a bid on 5 furnaces that will be paid for with the ARPA funds. J. Blossom mentioned that he and J. Bush received an email from K. Wyatt wanting to know why the village didn't solicit bids for the demolition of the house on Homer Rd. The village is not required to solicit bids. After the email it was decided to solicit bids for the parking lot that will be done where the house was demolished. The bids came in as follows: Cross Lake - \$47,900.00, Concord Exc. - \$21,581.00, Carr Bros. - \$34,875.00. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by A. Meeks to award the job to the Concord Excavating for \$21,581.00. All were in favor. Motion approved. J. Blossom informed the council that he was contacted by RJT Construction who was awarded the M-60 water main project and they are unable to fulfill the contract and will pay the difference between their bid and the next bidder. The contract as then given to the next bidder, Concord Excavating in the amount of \$76,954.48.

J. Bush informed the council that he has been contacted by the owner of the former Shannon's Building and a potential buyer that would like to put apartments in the upstairs and a couple of small businesses on the main level.

Council Comments:

A. Meeks discussed the street light at Hanover and Michigan Street. The light was removed by Consumers during the water project and Consumers stated they would send it to their engineering department and put up another light. after numerous calls to Consumers by J. Blossom, J. Lefere and a local resident we are still no further ahead on getting an answer of when it will be replaced.