

Concord Village Voice ♦ August 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 will now meet one time per month!!

Village Council: August 23rd @ 7:00pm

Parks & Recreation: August 2nd @ 7:00pm

Planning Commission: August 16th @ 6:30pm

Fire Board: August 17th @ 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.

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!

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 September issue is August 22nd.

MANN HOUSE EVENTS

August

Sunday Afternoon Concert (weather permitting)
Sunday, August 14, 2 to 4

Enjoy a cool Sunday afternoon in the shaded lawn of the Mann House as you listen to the toe tapping sounds of the Front Paige Band. This local Bluegrass Band has been delighting family audiences for many years. Bring a friend, bring a lawn chair, bring a picnic, and celebrate the last days of summer. The Friends of Walker Tavern will have their root beer for sale. Admission is free. Donations are accepted.

Fall/Winter

The Annual Women's Conference will return in September and of course *Home for the Holidays in December*.

PLANT EXCHANGE

The Concord Garden Girls are offering a plant exchange stand located in front of the library on Main St. If you have plants to share, please leave them. If you need plants, please take them at no charge. Be sure to mark your donations with the type of plant & whether it's a sun or shade lover. Beautify Concord!

NO BURNING LEAVES, BRUSH OR TRASH IN THE VILLAGE

Social and cooking fires are allowed in the village. Please stop in the Village Office for a permit or it can be found on our website: www.villageofconcord.com under the permit tab!

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. Showings at 10am and noon. 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– June 28, 2022 Absent: View at www.villageofconcord.com or pickup hard copy at Village Office

Council Members Present: Jeremiah Bush, , T. Norris, T. Casey, A. Meeks, M. Lovitt.

Council Members Absent: J. Jackson and K. George.

Public Present: K. Wyatt, D. Saenz, S. Greer, H. Greer and Village Clerk J. Lefere.

Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by T. Norris to accept the minutes from the 5/24/2022 meeting. Motion approved by all.

Public Comments:

K. Wyatt asked for an update on home and property at 114 Homer Rd. J. Bush stated that the closing will be in mid-July. The cost is \$55,000.00 plus closing fees which will be split with the seller. He also wanted to know if the village still plans to tear the house down. J. Bush stated yes and that the property will be used for a public parking lot.

D. Saenz informed the council that clean-up day has been scheduled for August 6th at Gottschalk Park. He also stated that the township is starting discussions on how to spend their ARPA funds and was interested in exploring ways in which the township and village could partner together to use ARPA funds.

S. Greer and H. Greer attended the meeting to discuss their interest in the building at 101 N. Main St. They are interested in purchasing and renovating the building and were inquiring about parking. J. Bush stated that parking has always been an issue with potential buyers for that building. They would be able to use the new parking lot the village will have next to the post office however it is about a half a block away.

The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$138,271.53 was presented. Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by M. Lovitt, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$138,271.53 . Motion approved by all.

USDA RD Water Main Project Pay Approval in the amount of \$225,868.43 was presented. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by M. Lovitt, to approve the payment of Expense for Water Main Project in the amount of \$225,868.43. 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.

J. Blossom was unable to attend the meeting. J. Bush went over topics from J. Blossom. The N. Main St. water main replacement will begin mid-July. Traffic will be rerouted from M-60 to Spring St. and Homer Rd. The County has the village on the schedule for September – October to have the lines painted on the streets.

The bid opening for the W. Jackson Rd. Water Main Replacement took place Tuesday morning at 9 am in the Village Commons. Bids were as follows: Bailey Exc. - \$192,848.36, Rothenberger Const. - \$120,218.52, Concord Exc. - \$76,954.48 and RJT Const. - \$67,881.22. The village has already purchased the materials for the project earlier in the year to save money on expected material cost increases and now must pay sales tax on the materials as a contractor will be completing the work. **Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by T. Casey to accept the bid from RJT Construction in the amount of \$67,881.22 plus tax for a total of \$71,954.09. All were in favor. Motion approved.**

The Concord Classic was a huge success once again. M&K Jetting has already committed a \$15,000.00 donation to the fireworks show for next year.

Council Comments:

T. Casey commented on the sale of Brigham Hardware to Holton Hardware and what a great steward Brigham Hardware has been for the Village. He would like to send a formal thank you to Brigham Hardware and a welcome letter to Holton Hardware. All were in agreement.

All council members agreed that the Concord Classic was a great weekend!