

# Concord Village Voice ♦ March 2023

**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:** March 28th @ 7:00pm

**Parks & Recreation:** March 7th @ 7:00pm

**Planning Commission:** March 21st @ 6:30pm

**Fire Board:** March 15 @ 6:00pm - Meeting at Fire House

## 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 April issue is March 17th.

## COMMUNITY CHOIR

at Concord United Methodist Church,  
119 S. Main St. for Students of all-ages, offering  
a mix of secular and Christian music. Led by Music Director  
Nate Rocco and Pastor Rachel Labram.  
March 1 & 15, April 12 & 26, May 10 & 24.  
Interested? Contact Pastor Rachel for details,  
[racheldlabram@gmail.com](mailto:racheldlabram@gmail.com), 517-524-6156.

## No Overnight Parking on Village Streets

November 1st through May 1st.  
This is in place so the DPW can plow  
and salt our streets.

## SAFE SNOW PRACTICES!!

Piling or depositing snow that obstructs vision is a violation of  
Michigan's Vehicle Code.

It also is important to remember that the Village ordinance  
requires residents and businesses to keep sidewalks clear of  
snow. This is important for pedestrians.  
Winter can be a difficult time to get around for those on foot,  
so please make the extra effort to clear your sidewalks and  
help everyone stay safe!

## 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](http://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– January 24, 2023 Absent: View at [www.villageofconcord.com](http://www.villageofconcord.com) or pickup hard copy at Village Office**

The Village Council of Concord met on January 24, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Village Commons Meeting Room.

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

Council Members Absent: None.

Public Present: D. Saenz, S. Powers, T. Brooks, A. Sharpe, L. Ley, A. Riddle. K. Palon, K. DeChalk, Deputy L. Jacobson, DPW Director J. Blossom, and Village Clerk J. Lefere.

**Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by K. George to accept the minutes from the 12/13/2022 meeting. Motion approved by all.**

**Public Comments:** None.

The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$137,076.79 was presented. Motioned by A. Meeks, seconded by M. Lovitt, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$137,076.79 . Motion approved by all.

S. Powers attended the meeting to discuss some issues on Main St. and Homer Rd. that she has witnessed in the past several months. Noise and mischief in front of the Cadet. T. Brooks and J. Bush stated that this is the first complaint in years and it is something that is almost impossible to control as sounds echo between the tall brick buildings. She is also concerned about the broken windows at The Salesman as one of the windows did fall into the parking lot during high winds. A. Riddle stated that he had removed the remaining shards that were reachable and tightened the screw at the bottom of the frame to prevent this from happening again. There is another window that The Salesman is looking to get repaired/replaced. S. Powers also inquired about signage in the public parking lot and the private parking lot behind the businesses located on the west side of Main St. The signs have been ordered for the public lot and will be put up when they are received. Signs for the private parking would be the responsibility of the businesses that use the lot. Also discussed was the issue of loose dogs on Homer Rd. across from the Post Office. Sometimes the dogs run when the owner is taking them from the house to the fenced in area. Dogs do not have to be on a leash as long as they are in the owners control. Yes, sometimes dogs do run after a cat or squirrel, that is what dogs do. S. Powers also had a concern with the cost of renting the Community Center. She feels it is overpriced. The Community Center is rented the majority of the time and the cost was actually lowered several years ago.

L. Jacobson had no news to discuss. To view a copy of L. Jacobson's Concord Area Police Blotter, go to the Village website at [www.villageofconcord.com](http://www.villageofconcord.com) look on the home page – quick links. A copy may also be picked up in the Village Office.

J. Blossom informed the council that the parking and drive area at the DPW barn is in bad shape. Concord Excavating can grade, place millings, grade and compact for the cost of \$7,900.00. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by M. Lovitt to have Concord Excavating redo existing parking lot at the cost of \$7,900.00. All were in favor. Motion approved. He also informed the council that he has hired Discount Door Services of Concord to replace the over head door at the shop for a cost of \$1,650.00. J. Blossom has received a quote for replacing 9 doors and 1 window in village buildings. The quote is from Kuntzleman Builders at the cost of \$31,254.82. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by A. Meeks to hire Kuntzleman Builders to replace 9 doors and 1 window at the cost of \$31,254.82. All were in favor. Motion approved. All doors and the window will be paid for from the ARPA fund. J. Blossom also stated that they are getting the old backhoe ready to put up for bid. A master meter for Three Oaks Estates was ordered several years ago but put on hold due to the water main project and covid. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by M. Lovitt to put a master meter in Three Oaks Estates. All were in favor. Motion approved.

**Council Comments:**

. Jackson asked for an update on the building located at 137 N. Main St. J. Bush stated that he has not heard from D. Gardiner and will get with him for an update.