

Concord Village Voice ♦ August 2023

Village of Concord: 110 Hanover Street-PO Box 306 Concord, MI 49237 / 524-8534 / M-Th: 8am– 6pm

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4th Annual Women's History Conference

Thursday September 14, 2023

9:00am to 5:00pm

For the last several years the Michigan History Center, Department of Natural Resources, has sponsored a conference on women's history from a local, state, and national perspective. The conference takes place in and around the Historic Village of Concord, Michigan. The village was home to the Mann family—Daniel, his wife Ellen and daughters Mary Ida and Jessie Ellen. All three women in the family were teachers. This year's conference will honor the sister's lifelong interest in education.

Teaching from the Heart! — Two Sisters in Pursuit of Education!

Conference Location: Concord Community Schools
405 S Main St, Concord, MI 49237

Hosted by the Mann House
205 Hanover Street, Concord, MI 49237
15 miles southwest of Jackson, Michigan on M-60
Cost \$40 includes lunch
Please RSVP to 517-930-2806 by September 1

MOM TO MOM SALE!!! Sat., Aug. 19, 9 am to 4 pm.
Concord UMC, 119 S. Main St. For more details, call
517-524-6156, Mon-Thurs. 9-3.

Community Blessing Box

Concord UMC, 119 S. Main St.

The blessing box is located next to the church parking lot. Items such as canned goods, mixes, stews, soups, cereal, peanut butter, personal items, deodorant, toothbrushes, soap, Kleenex, paper towels, toilet paper, etc. are needed. Donations can be dropped off at the church office Mon-Thurs 9-3.

The Blessing Box is a community outreach, and based on take what you need and give what you can!!

Thank you!!

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: August 8th @ 7:00pm

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

Planning Commission: August 15th @ 6:30pm

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

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

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

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 21st.

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 13, 2023 Absent: View at www.villageofconcord.com or pickup hard copy at Village Office

The Village Council of Concord met on June 13, 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: K. Wyatt, D. Saenz, B. Raut, J. McCormick, K. Tyler, K. Weaver, DPW Director J. Blossom and Village Clerk J. Lefere.

Motioned by K. George , seconded by A. Meeks to accept the minutes from the 5/9/2023 meeting. Motion approved by all.

Public Comments:

K. Weaver attended the meeting to ask what happened to the digital speed sign that was on Hanover St. J. Bush informed her that it had been borrowed from the county and had to be returned. J. Blossom stated that he has checked into the cost of purchasing identical signs. The cost for two signs totals \$6,182.96. The signs have the capability to be moved throughout the Village and placed on varying streets of concern.

Motioned by M. Lovitt, seconded by K. George to use ARPA funds to purchase two speed signs at the cost of \$6,182.96. J. Bush – aye, J. Jackson – nay, T. Norris – aye, T. Thurman – aye, A. Meeks – aye, M. Lovitt – aye, K. George – aye. Motion approved.

K. Tyler attended the meeting to introduce himself. He has been renovating the former bakery at 104 S. Main St. and has just purchased the former Shannon’s building at 101 N. Mains St. and plans to renovate that as well. He also stated how great it has been working with the Village and the building inspector.

K. Wyatt inquired as to why there were multiple police units in front of the village office earlier in the day. J. Bush stated that he did not know why they were there. He also asked who was responsible for the flowers throughout the Village. J. Blossom responded that the Concord Garden Club planted the flowers at the trail head and the Village has The Hobbit fill the flower baskets at the Mill Pond and in the downtown business district. DPW employee N. Kidder keeps all the flowers watered.

B. Raut asked when the streets/curbs will be painted. J. Blossom stated that he has a contractor, P&K, coming out soon to give an estimate. They will paint the curbs so that cars will not park too close to the corners blocking the view of traffic. The contractor will also check into angle parking to see if there is room and if it will allow for more spaces.

D. Saenz discussed the closing of the Albion Rd. bridge closing. It will be closed for 3-5 years for repairs.

J. McCormick attended the meeting to ask about the ready to serve fees for his water & sewer bill. He doesn’t think he should be paying two bills for his building since he has not opened the business yet. The Council informed him that this is village policy and every building with multiple units pays the ready to serve fee for each unit.

The Payment of Bills in the amount of \$254,604.18 was presented. Motioned by J. Bush, seconded by K. George, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$254,604.18 . 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 informed the Council that DPW employee N. Kidder has passed 2 of the 3 water tests he needs. He also stated that the Concord Classic has several new Sponsors this year! He met with Fire Chief L. Mosher and it was decided that the fireworks show will go on as planned unless the state issues a no burn.

Council Comments:

J. Jackson thanked K. Tyler for his commitment & willingness to invest in our community. He also commented on how nice the new doors are on the Village buildings.

