

CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO  
REGULAR MEETING

Concord Town Hall  
7229 Ravenna Road  
Concord, Ohio 44077

May 1, 2019  
7:30 p.m.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

Present on behalf of the Board of Trustees:

Paul Malchesky, Chairman  
Caroline Luhta, Vice Chairwoman  
Carl Dondorfer, Trustee  
Amy Dawson, Fiscal Officer

Also Present:

Michael Lucas, Esq., Legal Counsel  
Andy Rose, Administrator  
Matt Sabo, Fire Chief  
Frank Kraska, Service Director  
Heather Freeman, Zoning Director/Zoning Inspector  
Debra Bechel-Esker, Recreation Director  
Captain Michael Warner, Sheriff's Department

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1 7:31 p.m.

2 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. I am going to call the  
3 May 1, 2019, Concord Township Board of Trustees meeting to  
4 order. Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

5 Mr. Galloway, do you want to lead us?

6 MR. GALLOWAY: Absolutely, sir.

7 (Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.)

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Roll call.

9 MS. DAWSON: Mrs. Luhta?

10 MS. LUHTA: Here.

11 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Dondorfer?

12 MR. DONDORFER: Here.

13 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Malchesky?

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Present.

15 With regards to approval of minutes, we have the --  
16 what dates?

17 MS. LUHTA: April 3rd.

18 MS. DAWSON: April 3rd.

19 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: April 3rd. April 3rd minutes,  
20 any changes, Connie?

21 MS. LUHTA: No, not for me.

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I approve those. Connie, do  
23 you approve those?

24 MS. LUHTA: Yes.

25 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Mr. Dondorfer?

26 MR. DONDORFER: I abstain.

27 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. So those will go as  
28 approved.

29 How about we swear in Mr. Dondorfer with his family  
30 being here.

1 MR. DONDORFER: Great.

2 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay, let's go do that. Bring  
3 the daughters up, too.

4 MR. DONDORFER: Carley, Mal.

5 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Hand on the Bible, raise your  
6 hand.

7 MR. DONDORFER: Raise my -- This way.

8 MS. LUHTA: There you go.

9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: We will switch. How about  
10 that?

11 (Whereupon, the oath of office was administered to  
12 Trustee Carl Dondorfer.)

13 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Congratulations.

14 MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

15 (Applause.)

16 MR. DONDORFER: Okay. Thank you very much. I just  
17 would like to say a few words before my first official  
18 meeting. I would like to start out by thanking Mr. Malchesky  
19 and Mrs. Luhta for affording me the opportunity to serve as  
20 Concord Trustee. You both have done significant work and have  
21 done great things in Concord Township and I hope to learn from  
22 both of you and to help the township.

23 I'd also like to thank Mr. Galloway for his support  
24 over the years. He has done a phenomenal job in Concord  
25 Township and I wish him the best as his new endeavor is County  
26 Auditor.

27 I'd like to thank Andy Rose and Amy Dawson and the  
28 entire Concord Township team that has made me feel very  
29 welcome and has also given me guidance in learning the  
30 different divisions of the township. I look forward to

1 working with the township.

2 I do have to give special thanks to my family.  
3 Without their support, I don't think I would have a lot of  
4 success throughout my career that I did. My wife, Alyson, my  
5 daughters, Carley and Mallory, my father, my in-laws that are  
6 here today, Bill and Pat, my aunt Kathy, and my friends that  
7 have showed up to join me today on this occasion, without  
8 their love and support -- I thank you very much -- I wouldn't  
9 be here.

10 With that, you know, I am looking forward to  
11 continue my service as trustee. I had a great career as a law  
12 enforcement officer. And I believe that those positions in  
13 public service and that public officials have, you know, come  
14 with the obligation of public trust and I have always held  
15 that public trust close to my heart, and I believe I will  
16 carry that on as trustee and do my best to make decisions that  
17 represent the collective best interest of Concord Township.  
18 So thank you.

19 (Applause.)

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And since we have Mr. Galloway  
21 here, we have got you a little picture to hang up in your new  
22 office.

23 MR. GALLOWAY: Oh, no.

24 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Come on up here.

25 MR. GALLOWAY: Oh, no.

26 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Congratulations from Concord  
27 Township.

28 MR. GALLOWAY: Oh, wow, how nice.

29 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you very much.  
30 Appreciate it.

1 MR. GALLOWAY: Thank you. If I would -- May I?

2 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Sure. I was just --

3 MR. GALLOWAY: Good luck getting me not to talk.

4 (Laughter.)

5 MR. GALLOWAY: You couldn't pull it off for 14  
6 years. You are not going to get away today.

7 I just, I want to that you all for the last 14 years  
8 being part of this team. Connie, who first approached me in  
9 2005 to -- Well, actually, she started working on me in 2004  
10 to run for trustee, and I think, the first few times, I told  
11 her no and then -- But you know Connie, she's persistent. And  
12 having run in 2005, I didn't know Paul at the time and we were  
13 both elected in that election and we came in together at the  
14 same time. And a fun fact for the folks at home, even though  
15 Paul and I didn't know each other, we have the same birthday,  
16 including day, month, year. Although I frequently would like  
17 to remind him that I was born in the morning and he was in the  
18 afternoon. That makes me the older and wiser of the two.

19 Truly, it's been a blessing for 14 years to be able  
20 to serve this community, to work with all of you. Amy became  
21 Fiscal Officer. She had big shoes to fill. And I am  
22 experiencing that now as our county Auditor. Of course,  
23 Mr. Zupancic was Auditor for 32 years and we wish him well in  
24 his retirement and in his health improvement.

25 And so the sleeves are rolled up and working every  
26 day for Lake County but I will tell you that I miss this crew.  
27 Andy has been a great addition to the township. We have a  
28 former administrator here, Kathy Mitchell, in the back. Some  
29 of our other former administrators, Mr. Lee Bodnar, Mr. Jack  
30 Nettis. Jack is, of course, retired in Florida. And our

1 always present, although sometimes five or six minutes late to  
2 the meeting, legal counsel Michael Lucas, and all the  
3 department heads that have been and are here now. Chief Sabo,  
4 Chief Warner is here. Where is Chief Warner? As always, he  
5 is hiding in the back now that he's with the Sheriff's  
6 Department. I am very proud of the work that we did when I  
7 was on this Board, and I know that Carl is going to do a great  
8 job and I think you guys should be commended for such a great  
9 choice.

10 He is an individual that I have known, got to know  
11 as a trustee when he was with the Sheriff's Office and he's  
12 always put public service ahead of self and I think, in this  
13 day and age, that's needed now more than ever.

14 But you were all, have always been family throughout  
15 this process. I consider you family. And working with all of  
16 you, it made it enjoyable to not only get things done for the  
17 residents but we, I think, we always had a good time doing it  
18 and we work together great as a team and, for that, I am  
19 thankful. I am blessed in my time here and it's a time that I  
20 will always cherish.

21 Now, that being said, I am not going anywhere. I am  
22 still a Concord resident. I am going to be working hard for  
23 Concord residents just in a different manner as county  
24 Auditor, and so I look forward to continuing that public  
25 service for them. And I am so pleased that I was able to stay  
26 on as chairman of the Joint Economic Development District  
27 Board to help continue the vision on some of the economic  
28 development that we've worked on over the years, and it  
29 affords me an opportunity to, hopefully, be a resource to this  
30 Board and, potentially, future boards.

1           So I would say to any residents, if you see me  
2 around town, say hi. But thank you so much. It was really a  
3 blessing serving with all of you, and good luck in your  
4 endeavors, Mr. Dondorfer.

5           MR. DONDORFER: Thank you Mr. Galloway.

6           MR. GALLOWAY: They're a great team and you're going  
7 to do well.

8           MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

9           MR. GALLOWAY: Thanks.

10          (Applause.)

11          CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I was just reminded, when Chris  
12 and I shook hands here the first time we met was right outside  
13 on this lawn right out in front of Town Hall. That was back  
14 in 2005.

15          MR. GALLOWAY: We were running against each other at  
16 the time, in theory.

17          CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah, in theory. I didn't see  
18 it that way, you notice. So congratulations on the  
19 appointment and I really, truly appreciate all your service to  
20 Concord Township. It's been immense. And you know, you know  
21 how hard you worked and I know how hard you worked and so  
22 there's very few people that could appreciate that as much as  
23 probably Connie and I can.

24          MS. LUHTA: Right.

25          CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: So thank you.

26          Okay. Amy, Fiscal Officer, anything you want to  
27 say?

28          MS. DAWSON: Absolutely. As of April 30th, we were  
29 33 percent of the way through the calendar year. Treasury  
30 balance for the 19 active funds within the Township treasury

1 was \$6.2 million. The balance includes \$1.4 million in funds  
2 set aside for specific projects.

3 Year-to-date expenditures were 25 percent of the  
4 amount appropriated for this year and revenue is at 47  
5 percent. So we are well within budget.

6 If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to  
7 call my office, 354-7516.

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Connie, anything to report?

9 MS. LUHTA: Nothing to report.

10 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Carl, anything to report?

11 MR. DONDORFER: Nothing to report.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. Well, I'm getting,  
13 starting to get the host of calls that we typically get right  
14 around the rainy season. So stormwater is brewing and we have  
15 forwarded a lot of those phone calls over to the Stormwater  
16 Department.

17 And I was blessed to see all of you, including our  
18 former Trustee, at Law Day today.

19 MS. LUHTA: Right.

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: This morning, today being  
21 May 1st. And so I was greatly, greatly appreciative to have  
22 you all there, although you were former Liberty Bell Award  
23 winner and you were former President's Award winner. Although  
24 you're fresh though, Mike, right?

25 MR. LUCAS: Fresh as a daisy.

26 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Just last year.

27 MS. LUHTA: We were both last year.

28 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah, just last year. So much  
29 appreciative of everybody being there. Besides that, I have  
30 nothing else to report.

1           So Administration, Andy Rose.

2           MR. ROSE: Thank you, Mr. Malchesky. Members of the  
3 Board, Mrs. Dawson, good evening.

4           Trustees, our first Limited Home Rule resolution is  
5 on today's agenda for a first meeting. It is a confirmation  
6 of the township's road system and who is responsible for each  
7 road.

8           We are working on a walking path plan for the Jordan  
9 Creek property that we acquired several years ago where we  
10 demolished the houses in the floodplain and we are following  
11 the environmental covenants and working on that plan in  
12 conjunction -- Lake Metroparks has loaned us one of their park  
13 planners to give us some assistance, so we thank them. This  
14 is in its infancy but it will probably come up towards the end  
15 of the year.

16           We have a couple of job postings on our website. We  
17 have our annual summer hire help for the Service Department  
18 and then we also have a college intern that we're looking for  
19 for the Administration, and you can see our website for  
20 additional details on that.

21           And we would like to welcome the following new  
22 business, Blank Boutique, located at 9853 Johnnycake Ridge  
23 Road, in Unit 2. And we'd also like to congratulate Crile  
24 Hardware on their successful relocation down to 8115 Crile  
25 Road. So we thank them for their investment in our community  
26 and we wish them success.

27           And that concludes my report. Thank you, sir.

28           Oh, I am sorry. I also have the cemetery sexton  
29 report. Please join us at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 27th, for  
30 a brief Memorial Day service at Concord Cemetery located on

1 State Route 608. That is a wonderful time to honor and pay  
2 tribute to the veterans buried in our cemeteries and remember  
3 the loved ones that have gone before us.

4 A reminder to all our citizens that no plantings  
5 will be allowed in the 2004 in-ground cremation section and no  
6 trees are allowed to be planted in the 2004 section. All  
7 trees and shrubbery must be approved by the cemetery sexton.  
8 Concord Township does reserve the right to maintain the  
9 plantings, which may include trimming or removing if deemed  
10 necessary by the cemetery sexton. Maintenance of the cemetery  
11 grounds has begun. And the cemetery staff keeps a close watch  
12 on the cemetery and they reserve the right to remove any live  
13 decorations and nonfloral decorations that are not in keeping  
14 with the beautification of the cemetery. And just a reminder,  
15 glass of any kind, Styrofoam, bird houses and feeders are  
16 prohibited. If you have any other questions, please contact  
17 the Concord Township cemetery sexton at 354-7518. And the  
18 rules are listed on our website underneath "Cemetery" listed  
19 in "Departments." Thank you.

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you, Mr. Rose.

21 Fire Department, Chief Sabo.

22 CHIEF SABO: Good evening, everyone. Before I give  
23 my report, I would like to introduce Dr. Don DeCarlo,  
24 president of University Hospitals Geauga Medical Center, along  
25 with JoAnn Schmitz, the EMS administrator for University  
26 Hospitals Geauga Medical Center. UH has stood by Concord Fire  
27 Department since 2005 in support of our mission to  
28 professionally provide quality service to our community. And  
29 we are pleased to have Dr. DeCarlo here today, with JoAnn, to  
30 give us a short presentation.

1           Unfortunately, the squads were supposed to be here  
2 but they're out doing work, so they weren't able to join us.

3           So, Dr. DeCarlo, thank you.

4           DR. DeCARLO: I appreciate the opportunity to come  
5 before you. I am the president and chief medical officer but  
6 I am also -- UH Geauga Hospital -- but I am also an emergency  
7 department physician for the past 20 years. So we purchased  
8 these devices, which are called Lucas devices, which help with  
9 chest compression for patients who are in cardiac arrest,  
10 which means that their patient has stopped breathing.

11           Approximately 350,000 people every year in this  
12 country go into cardiac arrest, and about one out of every six  
13 patients who go into cardiac arrest will die. These devices,  
14 along with the effective use of chest compressions and CPR,  
15 have been shown to triple the survival rate. So it is of  
16 critical importance that the Concord Fire Department have the  
17 appropriate equipment to take care of your community.

18           We appreciate very much our ability to collaborate  
19 with you and your willingness to allow us to help facilitate  
20 the care to a very much deserved community, so I'd like to  
21 thank you for that.

22           CHIEF SABO: Thank you very much. Appreciate it.

23           MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

24           (Applause.)

25           CHIEF SABO: Thank you very much. Are you going to  
26 stay or are you going to go? That's her chance, right?

27           MS. SCHMITZ: I've been up since 4:30.

28           CHIEF SABO: Thank you very much, JoAnn. Appreciate  
29 it.

30           (Whereupon, Dr. DeCarlo and Ms. Schmitz left the

1 meeting.)

2 So this is the -- This donation to Concord Fire  
3 Department from University Hospitals will completely outfit  
4 all three of our squads with this technology to provide  
5 automated chest compression to cardiac arrest victims and  
6 increase survivability during cardiac arrest. And if you've  
7 noticed during my reports, the number of times that we're  
8 getting that reserve squad in service and using it is more  
9 frequent and so it was important that we, that we acquired  
10 that piece of equipment. So I really appreciate University  
11 Hospitals' support of that.

12 MR. DONDORFER: That's great.

13 CHIEF SABO: For the month of April, we had 133 EMS  
14 events, with 107 transports; we had 6 fire events; we had  
15 three brush fires in Concord and we had three building fires  
16 outside of Concord Township that we assisted with; we gave  
17 mutual aid 16 times to our neighbors and we received mutual  
18 aid ten times.

19 Our fire prevention bureau was busy with two plan  
20 reviews, 34 annual inspections, three follow-up inspections,  
21 16 fire protection testings, and 16 fire alarm inspections.  
22 Our public educator was out doing one knox box installation  
23 and one lock box return, as well as providing one adult public  
24 safety and fire extinguisher training.

25 So our fire prevention bureau is going through some  
26 changes. Today we recognized Ken Avram, who retired from the  
27 Concord Township Department. He is going to be missed. He  
28 was a vital asset to our fire prevention program and we sent  
29 him, sent him on his way today with a nice luncheon. And I  
30 appreciate the members of the Board that were able to make it

1 today and for Mr. Lucas making a presence as well. We  
2 appreciate it. Thank you.

3           Additionally, I would like to just extend gratitude  
4 to Bob's Garage. As you know, we've put in service Rescue  
5 Pumper 1375 or we will be putting it in service soon. Bob's  
6 Garage donated a couple of cars from their salvage yard to  
7 help us with training. They do that frequently and their  
8 generosity does not go unnoticed. That helps us to learn the  
9 tools and techniques of rescue today.

10           Additionally, I want to thank Lubrizol Corporation.  
11 They're offering their training site so that we can do some  
12 additional trainings with our new rescue pumper because it has  
13 foam capabilities and that's not something we've ever had  
14 before. So thanks to Lubrizol Corporation for that, and they  
15 will be getting some thank you letters as well.

16           CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: How much foam capability do we  
17 have?

18           CHIEF SABO: All our engines have foam capability to  
19 some degree. This is first one where the foam is on board  
20 with its own 35-gallon tank and can deploy rapidly. All the  
21 other ones are portable tanks that we have to carry up to the  
22 fire scene.

23           CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: So how big of a use is this new  
24 one?

25           CHIEF SABO: So --

26           CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Compared to what, I guess,  
27 compared --

28           CHIEF SABO: It will get used a lot more. With the  
29 new technology, the pump operator has a panel right on the  
30 side that just, if they show up at a car fire, the pump

1 operator just hits "car fire" and the electronics just know  
2 what concentration of foam to mix up and what's deployed on  
3 that car fire. If it's a brush fire, they hit "brush fire."  
4 If it's overhaul, they hit "overhaul" and it mixes the  
5 concentration on its own.

6 It has a 35-gallon foam tank and a 750 gallon water  
7 tank and it automatically concentrates that for us to the  
8 right mixture. We did use it on a brush fire right behind the  
9 Service Department the other day and I can tell you we used, I  
10 think we used 200 gallons of foam and about two gallons of  
11 foam -- 200 gallons of water and two gallons of foam, about.  
12 So it goes a long way. Just a little bit of foam goes a long  
13 way and it puts a blanket over that fire to keep it, to keep  
14 it suffocated, obviously. It's a good application.

15 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: How often is that used on the  
16 freeway, foam?

17 CHIEF SABO: We don't know because we've never  
18 really had it.

19 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I know, but I mean --

20 CHIEF SABO: But we have had opportunities to for  
21 car fires, truck fires. It's a great tool.

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Does Lubrizol go out there now?

23 CHIEF SABO: To the freeway?

24 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah.

25 CHIEF SABO: No, unless it was a large incident  
26 where we would need them, need to call them out for something,  
27 then they would. They're in our MABAS system and they're  
28 always right there next to us willing to respond.

29 The Fire Department just wants to remind everyone  
30 that we have begun our annual hydrant maintenance program.

1 Concord fire fighters will flush and test individual hydrants  
2 between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The program will be ongoing  
3 into the summer months. Firefighters remain in the vicinity  
4 of each hydrant as they allow water to flow, perform necessary  
5 training, and then they'll close up the hydrant before they  
6 leave. If a hydrant needs repairs, we send a request to the  
7 respective water company who are the owners of the hydrants.

8 Residents may notice a slight discoloration of their  
9 water when flushing is being completed in their neighborhoods.  
10 Running cold water for a few minutes before use should  
11 eliminate any discoloration.

12 And the reason I say that the firefighters stay with  
13 the hydrant, the water companies will be out also and they  
14 will be flushing hydrants but they don't stay with the  
15 hydrant. They leave. We stay with the hydrant. So if you  
16 see a hydrant that's flowing, you're more than welcome to call  
17 us and we'll deal with it but the -- we'll end up just calling  
18 the water company to find out what they're doing. So as we  
19 get notice of that happening, we will make sure that we get  
20 that out as soon as we can.

21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Let me add my, my two cents.  
22 The water company is not regulating nor watching, so if there  
23 is a water leak, they will not know it unless somebody calls  
24 it in or unless they drive by. Otherwise, you'd think that  
25 there would be some type of gauge that will suggest that there  
26 is a leak in their system but there is not, as our Pinehill  
27 residents know.

28 CHIEF SABO: Yeah, yeah. So that concludes my  
29 report. Thank you very much.

30 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you, Chief.

1 MS. LUHTA: Thanks, Chief.

2 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Service Department, Mr. Kraska.

3 MR. KRASKA: Good evening.

4 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Good evening.

5 MR. KRASKA: Concord Township Service Department  
6 first would like to extend a warm welcome to our new trustee,  
7 Carl Dondorfer.

8 MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

9 MR. KRASKA: We look forward to working with Carl  
10 and the Board as we continue to provide a wide variety of  
11 services for the residents of Concord Township.

12 Since our last meeting, the construction season has  
13 become quite active even though we are struggling with the wet  
14 wed -- excuse me -- with the wet weather pattern this spring.  
15 A little tongue twister. Chagrin Valley Paving is currently  
16 working on the following county roads: Girdled Road and  
17 Morley Road. They've also begun work on Concord Township  
18 roads that include Concord Pointe Court, Danvers Drive, and  
19 the entire Brenel Drive development.

20 Concord Township roads have been planed and  
21 full-depth repairs completed. Residents on the residential  
22 streets can expect activities to resume the week of May 6th.  
23 At that time, they will chip seal the inner layer, presuming  
24 that the weather improves. If it rains, expect delays in the  
25 project's progression.

26 News regarding our Road Department replacement  
27 project on Christian Avenue and Jason Avenue has become  
28 complex with the discovery that utilities, including gas and  
29 communications, under the road surface are too shallow and  
30 need to be lowered in advance of the actual road improvements.

1 During the past week, cable television and internet providers  
2 have been addressing their infrastructure and relocating it as  
3 needed.

4 On the other hand, we have multiple gas line  
5 laterals that also are in need of adjustment. We've been  
6 informed by Dominion Energy that work on those gas laterals  
7 may begin to take place next week.

8 All this additional work is going to create  
9 unexpected excavations in many front yards, adding to the  
10 complexity of the work site. Residents should expect full  
11 restoration of these areas upon completion of the project,  
12 which will take place over the next three to four months.

13 The Concord Service Department staff participated in  
14 our third observance of Arbor Day this past Friday. Three  
15 trees donated by The Master Gardners, Concord Garden Club, and  
16 Klynn Nursery were planted as part of a ceremony endorsing  
17 Arbor Day. The trees were planted at the entrance to Town  
18 Hall and at the Old School House on Ravenna Road. Arborist  
19 Ben Askren also demonstrated planting procedures and care  
20 instructions for young trees. Concord Township expresses  
21 gratitude on behalf of the residents of this community to  
22 these organizations and businesses for their thoughtful gifts  
23 which adorn township facilities for years to come.

24 You can now mark your calendar for Saturday,  
25 March 18th, for our annual spring brush and yard waste drop-  
26 off that is scheduled from 8:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. on the  
27 18th. The Service Department will have personnel on hand to  
28 assist residents at our facility located at 7229 Ravenna Road.

29 MR. ROSE: Frank, that's May 18.

30 MR. KRASKA: What did I say?

1 MS. LUHTA: March.

2 MR. KRASKA: Did I? Sorry about that. May 18th.  
3 Anyways, department employees will help offload brush and yard  
4 waste as you arrive at the collection center. Brush dropped  
5 off will be chipped and made available to residents on a  
6 first-come, first-served basis. Yard waste is collected and  
7 taken to a local recycle center and composted. Only limbs,  
8 twigs, and branches no greater than six inches in diameter  
9 will be accepted. Yard waste will only be accepted in  
10 biodegradable bags or small containers that can be dumped. No  
11 tree stumps, pallets, contaminated materials, or processed  
12 wood, such as lumber or railroad ties, are accepted.

13 Beginning on May 20th, we are also pleased to  
14 announce that we will begin to allow residents and -- let me  
15 emphasize -- not contractors to drop off yard waste on  
16 weekdays at our Service Department facility Monday through  
17 Friday, 6:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., for such materials as grass  
18 clippings, leaves, garden debris, and small twigs. Quite  
19 often, residents call our office looking for a source to, you  
20 know, dispose of their yard waste and this is going to give  
21 them an opportunity to -- a location closer to home where they  
22 can have this stuff composted. So we look forward to having  
23 them come by and do that for them.

24 So brush will not be accepted as part of the yard  
25 waste dropoff. They're only on -- The only brush to be  
26 accepted will be on brush days which, again, as I said before,  
27 is May 18th and another one coming up on June 8th.

28 One last note to residents and a clear sign of the  
29 times. We recently went out to bid for rock salt for the  
30 2019-2020 winter season, along with countless communities

1 throughout the state of Ohio. Lake County received the lowest  
2 bid in all of Ohio. Our estimated salt price has increased  
3 nearly 30 percent over last year's cost. That, for our  
4 department, represents a minimum of \$50,000 increase in cost  
5 to continue to provide the same current level of service. The  
6 unfortunate fact is this cuts into our improvement programs  
7 outside the winter months. With no reasonable expectation for  
8 additional funds being generated, the day will come when we  
9 have to rethink traveling in winter conditions or lower our  
10 expectations for road improvements and get used to roads being  
11 patched over and over again as becoming the norm.

12 It's unfortunate but that is a substantial increase.  
13 And, you know, we tried, you know, we practice a lot of  
14 different ways to try to stretch, you know, salt out and make  
15 all that work. But when they raised costs like that,  
16 obviously, as I stated, we're not getting any more funds  
17 coming in, so those funds for winter operations dictate what  
18 we do in the summer, also. So it will cut into, you know,  
19 larger improvements that we normally do.

20 So, hopefully, that trend will turn around at some  
21 point or, like I said, you know, I think the traveling society  
22 is going to, at some point, start to adjust to conditions to  
23 be able to drive on a little bit more snow covered roads. So  
24 it's unavoidable but that's the future.

25 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: It's bizarre to add salt that  
26 kills our roads to the roads, you know, for safety and then  
27 they, you know --

28 MR. KRASKA: Right.

29 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: So it's a cyclical problem.

30 MR. KRASKA: Well, it's like it costs us more to add

1 to the destruction, you know, the salt on the roads.

2 So anyways, in closing, we extend to our residents a  
3 reminder that, if you have any questions regarding services  
4 provided by our department or we have -- or have observations  
5 that you may want to report to our department, you can find  
6 contact numbers and other related information under the  
7 Service Department tab at the Concord website,  
8 [www.ConcordTwp.com](http://www.ConcordTwp.com), or call our office directly at area code  
9 (440) 350-3225. That concludes our report for the Service  
10 Department for May 1st.

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Frank, I want to thank you for  
12 our Arbor Day. It was a wonderful, wonderful experience.

13 MS. LUHTA: Right.

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: As much as it was in the middle  
15 of the rain.

16 MR. DONDORFER: Right, it was great.

17 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I learned more about planting  
18 trees than I ever thought, you know, I would, and the guy was  
19 excellent, just excellent.

20 MS. LUHTA: Yes, he was.

21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: It was just fabulous.

22 And just to remind everybody that it's amazing how  
23 much water those trees suck up and so, as we start to have  
24 these stormwater problems, you know, plant a tree. It sucks  
25 up a lot, a lot of water. So thank you.

26 MR. KRASKA: I couldn't agree with you more.

27 MR. DONDORFER: Thanks, Frank.

28 MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

29 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Zoning Department, Heather.

30 MS. FREEMAN: Good evening. So during the month of

1 April, the Zoning Department has been busy with zoning permit  
2 applications. We processed 37 permit applications and  
3 collected just over \$4,200 in fees. Of those permits, 12 were  
4 for accessory buildings, eight decks, six fences, three wall  
5 signs, two single-family dwellings, one for a new agricultural  
6 building, a structural alteration, a change of use, a  
7 commercial alteration, a pavilion, and a swimming pool.

8 Next week, we have both our Zoning Commission and  
9 our Board of Zoning Appeals meetings back to back. Tuesday at  
10 our Zoning Commission meeting, we are having a public hearing  
11 on some proposed zoning text amendments that the Commission  
12 has been working on for the last several months. And on  
13 Wednesday, the BZA will be meeting at 7:00 as we have one old  
14 case to review. And that's it. Thank you.

15 MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

17 Deb, what's going on in the Rec Department?

18 MS. ESKER: Good evening, everybody. And welcome,  
19 Trustee Dondorfer.

20 MR. DONDORFER: Thank you, Debra.

21 MS. ESKER: On behalf of the Recreation Department,  
22 we are thrilled to work for you and with you to serve the  
23 residents of Concord Township. Through your work at the Lake  
24 County Sheriff's Office, we've already witnessed firsthand  
25 your deep commitment to community, impeccable character, and  
26 compassion for others. So welcome aboard.

27 MR. DONDORFER: Thank you very much.

28 MS. ESKER: I'd also like to thank Auditor Galloway  
29 for his many years of dedicated leadership to Concord  
30 Township. Simply put, this man is the stuff of legends, and I

1 thank you --

2 (Laughter.)

3 MR. GALLOWAY: I have to leave now.

4 MS. ESKER: Thank you for your leadership. I wish  
5 you the best and look forward to your leadership at the county  
6 level.

7 And now I am happy to report that the Concord  
8 Township Recreation Department is offering residents and  
9 guests an abundant variety of programs in May. Classes  
10 include beginning yoga and Pound!, the exercise class using  
11 weighted drumsticks on Monday evenings -- there we go --  
12 Martial Arts on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and Yoga  
13 Pilates Fusion and Tai Chi on Wednesday evenings.

14 Free your creative energy at our beach glass jewelry  
15 making class at the Old Stone School.

16 And new this month, we begin offering Life Skills  
17 For Teens classes where teenagers can learn to change a tire,  
18 interview for their first job, balance a bank account, and  
19 life skills like that.

20 Also new this month, we'll offer a class called How  
21 to Talk So Your Kids Will Listen and Listen So Your Kids Will  
22 Talk, and this one sounds exceptionally promising.

23 And for those about to retire, we once again offer  
24 our Getting Started with Medicare class.

25 Our Library Tuesday Programs continue in May with  
26 Color Me Concord, Getting to Know CLEVENet, the History of  
27 Painesville Railroad Depo, and creating a rug using t-shirts.

28 To sign up for a class, go to [ConcordTwp.com](http://ConcordTwp.com) and  
29 click on the "Community Recreation Registration" link or call  
30 the Recreation Department for immediate assistance.

1           Earlier this afternoon, our 55+ Group painted  
2 flowery masterpieces during our popular Paint and Punch  
3 Program with artist Monique LaFortune, sponsored by the  
4 Concord Village Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation. Our next  
5 55+ Group gathering is the first in a new monthly evening  
6 series. So on Monday, March 6, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.,  
7 seniors are invited to attend a Planning For Life Program at  
8 the Community Center where special vendors will provide  
9 information and giveaways designed to help plan your future  
10 and just make life easier.

11           And our May 15th program is all about mom when the  
12 Recreation Department hosts -- staff hosts our annual Mother's  
13 Day Tea. Ladies will be treated to a royal high tea as the  
14 Maple Mountain Chorus serenades guests. Seating is limited,  
15 so call today to reserve your spot.

16           And if you've driven past the Old Stone School or  
17 parked there to stroll on the Greenway Corridor, then you've  
18 seen that big beautiful new perimeter fence surrounding the  
19 community garden. The fence was an Eagle Scout project of  
20 James Keherly, and we will host a ribbon cutting ceremony on  
21 Saturday, May 4th, to commemorate the completion of the  
22 project and thank James for his hard work and dedication. So  
23 all are invited to attend. It's at the community garden  
24 behind the Old Stone School this Saturday at 2:00 p.m., and  
25 cake and punch afterwards in the Old Stone School.

26           The Recreation Department continues to seek Concord  
27 history from our residents to include in an upcoming *Images of*  
28 *America* book currently being written about Concord Township.  
29 We're now accepting photos and other historical items  
30 depicting Concord throughout the last 197 years for this

1 special bicentennial book.

2           And summer is fast approaching. That means it's  
3 time to get outside and enjoy our beautiful community. Our  
4 Summer Concert Series, Concord Jams, begins on June 13th with  
5 Blackjack Gypsies. The lineup goes on to include the band  
6 Horsefeathers, the Family Dog Band, the Pop Tarts, Abbey  
7 Rodeo, and of course the legendary Chardon Polka Band.  
8 Concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. at the gazebo at Town Hall.

9           And summer also means celebrating Concord Township  
10 at annual community-wide events. So save the date of the  
11 weekend of August 10th and 11th for two days of family fun at  
12 Concord Community Day on Saturday, August 10th, and Safety Day  
13 on Sunday, August 11th. Planning is already underway for both  
14 events, and if you'd like to be involved, we would love to  
15 hear from you. Applications for parade participants, Citizen  
16 of the Year nominations, Community Day scholarships are  
17 already available on our website or can be picked up at the  
18 Community Center or at Town Hall.

19           And, finally, residents should look for the summer  
20 2019 edition of the Concord *Grapevine* in their mailboxes next  
21 week. It's packed with useful information from township  
22 departments and includes our summer class schedule, the  
23 concert serious lineup, and the full Community Day schedule.

24           For more information on all things recreation,  
25 please contact us at (440) 639-4650, visit Concord Township at  
26 ConcordTwp.com, or stop by the Community Center for personal  
27 assistance. Thank you very much.

28           CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you, Deb.

29           MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

30           MR. DONDORFER: Thank you, Deb.

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Concord law enforcement,  
2 Sheriff's Office, Captain Warner, although you're "chief" to  
3 me.

4 MR. GALLOWAY: The stuff of legends.

5 CAPTAIN WARNER: It's nice to be here tonight. By  
6 the way, you did a good job with Law Day toady.

7 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you very much.

8 CAPTAIN WARNER: Probably one of the best moderators  
9 and people introducing the award winners for Liberty and the  
10 Presidential Awards, so good job with that.

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

12 CAPTAIN WARNER: On behalf of Sheriff Dunlap, Chief  
13 Leonbruno, and the entire staff at Lake County Sheriff's  
14 Office, we welcome Trustee Dondorfer to the realm here and  
15 look forward to working with you. And know that you'll be --

16 MR. DONDORFER: Thank you, Captain.

17 CAPTAIN WARNER: -- a supporter like you always have  
18 been, like the rest of the Board.

19 And now that you're taking care of my paycheck on  
20 the other end, Trustee Galloway, I thought I was away from you  
21 and now you're back taking care of my pay over there.

22 MR. GALLOWAY: I am like a bad penny.

23 CAPTAIN WARNER: But I appreciate it. It's always  
24 on time.

25 So, listen, we, the Sheriff's Office, has been  
26 pretty busy here in Concord Township. And it's surprising  
27 that I am here for first time giving a report in over three  
28 years but nobody else was left, so here I am.

29 (Laughter.)

30 Now, they did 1,221 calls in the month of April, 24

1 citations, 223 warnings, three driving under suspension, three  
2 operating under the influence, five injury accidents, eight  
3 damage accidents. You had a couple of arrests. Drugs are  
4 still a big issue, not as bad in Concord as in other  
5 communities but still a problem and the Sheriff's Office is  
6 working very hard.

7           What's interesting is the Sheriff's Office still  
8 goes out and checks door knobs on your business checks. That  
9 wasn't done many years ago and it got -- law enforcement got  
10 away from it. But they find by going out, checking the door  
11 knobs, which our office does and they did that about 174 times  
12 in the month April, which really makes a big difference. It  
13 deters people and it checks when there is a lot of open doors,  
14 people leave their doors open, they are able to find that.  
15 People leave their cars open, leave the lights on in their car  
16 at night. When the Sheriff deputies are out wandering around  
17 on patrol, they're doing a good job checking on that. And I  
18 am very proud to be part of that organization.

19           Although we do have a warning for all of you.  
20 School buses, when the red lights are on you need to stop both  
21 ways on a two-lane highway, especially up on Johnnycake and  
22 Old Johnnycake. We've given out quite a few citations over  
23 the last month because of the cameras that are on Mentor  
24 school buses, and we have zero tolerance for violating those  
25 rules.

26           And that's my report.

27           CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you very much.

28           MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

29           MR. ROSE: Thank you, sir.

30           CAPTAIN WARNER: You're welcome.

1           CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: That brings us to audience.  
2 Audience, anybody in the audience, questions?

3           I am just going to remind your daughters that if  
4 they ever want to put you on the spot, they can come to the  
5 audience portion of these meetings and ask you questions.

6           MR. DONDORFER: That's great, that's great. They  
7 may want to do that for their history class or government  
8 class.

9           CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Or an advance on their  
10 allowance.

11          MR. DONDORFER: Yeah.

12          CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. Old business, we  
13 have none.

14          New Business, we have the Limited Home Rule  
15 Resolution Number 2019-1, a Resolution by the Concord Township  
16 Board of Trustees to identify the systems of public roads,  
17 streets, and highways within the township under the  
18 jurisdiction of the state of Ohio, county of Lake, and Concord  
19 Township, respectively, and the corresponding requirement of  
20 care and maintenance established thereto pursuant to Ohio law.

21          This will be our first reading. Any questions  
22 regarding that?

23          MS. LUHTA: Do we have to read it?

24          CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: That's -- We just did.

25          MS. LUHTA: Oh, that's all you have to do? Okay.

26          CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: That's it. That's the first  
27 reading.

28          MS. LUHTA: All right.

29          CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: We will have two additional  
30 readings, so -- prior to a vote on that.

1 We need to vote on the April financial reports.

2 MR. LUCAS: Excuse me. Mr. Chairman, that should be  
3 just one more vote. It's two readings.

4 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Two readings?

5 MR. LUCAS: Two readings.

6 MS. LUHTA: May I have a copy of that?

7 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yes.

8 MS. LUHTA: At some time.

9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: You can have the original. How  
10 is that for now?

11 MS. LUHTA: Oh, okay. Thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And Mr. Lucas is right. We do  
13 have two readings on that.

14 So how about April financials?

15 MS. DAWSON: You were given them this afternoon.

16 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I know. Any questions?

17 MR. DONDORFER: None.

18 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I love that they were emailed  
19 to me. I love that.

20 MS. DAWSON: I thought you might.

21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I love that. I will entertain  
22 a motion to approve the April financials.

23 MS. LUHTA: So moved.

24 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Second?

25 MR. DONDORFER: Second.

26 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say "aye."

27 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

28 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. Fire Department  
29 conditional offer to part-time firefighter/EMT basic  
30 Sterling Black pending background check and physical. Do

1 I have a motion?

2 MS. LUHTA: So moved.

3 MR. DONDORFER: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say "aye."

5 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

6 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: A vote for Fire Department  
7 accepting the resignation letter of Callahan Henderson  
8 effective April 15, 2019.

9 MS. LUHTA: So moved.

10 MR. DONDORFER: Second.

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say "aye."

12 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

13 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: We need to vote on the Fire  
14 Department's accepting part-time firefighter inspector Ken  
15 Avram's letter of intent to retire effective May 2, 2019.  
16 Prior to said motion, does anybody want to read --

17 MR. DONDORFER: I will read.

18 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

19 MR. DONDORFER: "In recognition of nine years of  
20 service of Fire Inspector Kenneth Avram, the Concord Township  
21 Board of Trustees and Chief Matt Sabo, Concord Township Fire  
22 Department, wish to extend our sincere appreciation and  
23 heartfelt congratulations to Kenneth Avram on his retirement  
24 from the Concord Township Fire Department.

25 "Ken began his career in public service in the  
26 United States Air Force in 1968. His fire service career has  
27 spanned over 40 years. In addition to his service to Concord  
28 Township, Ken spent 31 years with the Lyndhurst Fire  
29 Department, retiring as a captain. He held the State of Ohio  
30 Paramedic Certification and served the City of Willoughby

1 Hills as fire marshal.

2 "As fire inspector for Concord Township, Ken has  
3 fostered positive relationships between business owners and  
4 Concord Township. He has worked diligently to ensure  
5 commercial structures are safe for employees and customers.  
6 Ken has been a strong advocate of promoting fire safety  
7 preventative education and to code enforcement. He has been  
8 instrumental in ensuring Concord Township is a desirable  
9 location for new business' establishment and growth.

10 "Concord Township wishes Ken all the best that  
11 retirement can offer and honors him for his years of providing  
12 fire inspections and education to the Concord Township  
13 community.

14 "The Concord Township Board of Trustees."

15 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you. How about a motion  
16 to accept his retirement?

17 MR. DONDORFER: So moved.

18 MS. LUHTA: You moved?

19 MR. DONDORFER: Yes.

20 MS. LUHTA: Okay. I'll second it.

21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say "aye."

22 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

23 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. A vote on a P.O. in the  
24 amount of \$6,987.60 to Physio Control Inc. for annual fees.

25 MS. LUHTA: So moved.

26 MR. DONDORFER: Second.

27 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say aye.

28 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

29 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Malchesky.

30 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yes?

1 MS. DAWSON: For the next one, the purchase order  
2 should be made payable to "BTK Tools and Equipment LLC." That  
3 is the proper name of that particular Snap-On Tools.

4 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: BTK --

5 MS. DAWSON: -- Tools and Equipment LLC.

6 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. So I am looking to  
7 have a motion for a P.O. in the amount of \$3,750 to BTK Tools  
8 and Equipment LLC. These are Snap-On tools for the diagnostic  
9 equipment.

10 MS. LUHTA: So moved.

11 MR. DONDORFER: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say "aye."

13 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. How about a vote to  
15 approve the Service Department's request for summer hours  
16 Monday through Thursday, 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., effective  
17 May 20, 2019, through August 30, 2019.

18 MS. LUHTA: Oh, so move for that. That's good.

19 MR. DONDORFER: Second.

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say "aye."

21 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And we've been doing this for  
23 several years now. And when Frank talks about the extra cost  
24 of \$50,000 for salt, really that's \$50,000 of asphalt or  
25 cement that we can't put down during these, these long summer  
26 hours that our guys work, and they do an excellent job, and we  
27 put a lot of asphalt and a lot of cement down on our roads  
28 ourself besides our outside contractors. So thank you to  
29 them.

30 We need to set a public hearing for the tax budget

1 for the effective next year. When are you thinking?

2 MS. DAWSON: I am thinking May 15th, 7:25 p.m. Does  
3 that work for everybody?

4 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: It does.

5 MS. LUHTA: Sure does.

6 MR. DONDORFER: Yes.

7 MS. DAWSON: Okay. It's a little early but better  
8 to be early.

9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Do you want to make a motion,  
10 Connie?

11 MS. LUHTA: I will move that we set the public  
12 hearing on May 15th at 7:25 for the tax budget.

13 MR. DONDORFER: I will second.

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say "aye."

15 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

16 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. Future meetings and  
17 announcements. Okay. We have, on May 4th at 2:30, this  
18 Saturday, we have our --

19 MS. ESKER: Perimeter fence ribbon cutting.

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Ribbon cutting, not dedication?  
21 It's already been dedicated, so now we're just ribbon cutting?

22 MS. ESKER: Right.

23 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: It's a gorgeous fence. So  
24 that's May 4th at 2:30, that's this Saturday.

25 On May 7th, at 7:00 p.m., is the Zoning meeting in  
26 Town Hall.

27 On Wednesday, May 8th, at 7:00 p.m., we have the BZA  
28 meeting in Town Hall.

29 On Wednesday, May 15th, at 6:30, we have the  
30 Trustees' office hours and Concord Community Day update in the

1 conference room; at 7:25, we will have our tax budget for next  
2 year; at 7:30, we will have our Trustee meeting.

3 And, again, on May 18th, at, from 8:00 to 2:00 p.m.,  
4 brush day at the Service Department garage. We'd love to see  
5 everybody out there.

6 Anything for the good of the order?

7 MR. DONDORFER: No, not at all.

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. We're closed. Thank  
9 you.

10 Connie, anything?

11 MS. LUHTA: No, thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Meeting is adjourned. Thank  
13 you.

14 (Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.)

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6 the best of my ability, the foregoing proceeding was  
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11 I do further certify that this proceeding took  
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14 I do further certify that I am not a friend,  
15 relative, or counsel for any party or otherwise interested  
16 in the outcome of these proceedings.

17 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand  
18 and affixed my seal of office this 31st day of May 2019.

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