

CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO
REGULAR MEETING

Held via YouTube Live Streaming

Concord Town Hall
7229 Ravenna Road
Concord, Ohio 44077

October 6, 2021
7:30 p.m.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

Present on behalf of the Board of Trustees:

Amy Lucci, Vice Chair
Carl Dondorfer, Trustee
Amy Dawson, Fiscal Officer

Also Present:

Andy Rose, Administrator
Michael Lucas, Esq., Legal Counsel
Matt Sabo, Fire Chief
Tim Brown, Service Director
Heather Freeman, Zoning Director
Debra Bechel-Esker, Recreation Director
Sergeant Jerrold Infalvi, Sheriff's Office

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7:30 p.m.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. Good evening. I would like to call to order the regular meeting of the Concord Township Board of Trustees for Wednesday, October 6, 2021. Would you please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.)

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Okay. Mrs. Dawson, can we have a roll call, please?

MS. DAWSON: Mr. Dondorfer?

MR. DONDORFER: Present.

MS. DAWSON: Mrs. Lucci?

MS. LUCCI: Present.

MS. DAWSON: Mr. McIntosh?

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Present.

Next item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes from September 15th. There is two. We had a public hearing and a regular trustee meeting.

MR. DONDORFER: Mr. Chairman, I will make a motion to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2021, public hearing.

MS. LUCCI: And I will second.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Okay. And all in favor? And one abstention. I was not here, so I will abstain from voting.

(Two aye votes, no nay votes, one abstention.)

MS. LUCCI: Mr. -- Go ahead.

MR. DONDORFER: Go ahead.

MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move to approve the September 15, 2021, regular trustees meeting minutes.

MR. DONDORFER: And I will second.

1 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All in favor? And abstain.
2 (Two aye votes, no nay votes, one abstention.)

3 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Okay. Moving into Elected
4 Officials Reports, Fiscal Officer Amy Dawson.

5 MS. DAWSON: Thank you, Mr. McIntosh. As of
6 September 30th, we were 75 percent of the way through the
7 calendar year. The Treasury balance for the 20 active funds
8 within the Township Treasury was \$17.5 million. The Treasury
9 balance included \$1.3 million in funds set aside for specific
10 projects. This does not include the Fire Station Projects.
11 That money will be encumbered when the bid process is
12 completed.

13 Year-to-date expenditures were 38 percent of the
14 amount appropriated for 2021. The revenue received year to
15 date is \$94,000 of the amount budgeted -- I am sorry, 94
16 thousand -- 94 percent of the amount budgeted for. This does
17 include the second half of our 2020 real estate taxes. We are
18 well within the budget. We will not be receiving real estate
19 tax revenue again until the end of the first quarter 2022, and
20 then we will start receiving our 2021 real estate taxes.

21 As always, I am available to answer any questions,
22 so please do not hesitate to email me at
23 adawson@ConcordTwp.com or call our office at (440) 354-7516.
24 Thank you.

25 MS. LUCCI: Thank you.

26 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Mrs. Dawson.
27 Okay. Trustee Reports, Mrs. Lucci.

28 MS. LUCCI: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. It's hard to
29 believe it's October already. This year is totally flying by.
30 We do have a lot to look forward to though towards the end of

1 the year.

2 I had some general discussions this week or last
3 couple weeks with residents regarding the pickleball courts
4 and when they will be ready and how we reserve our spot and
5 all those things, and I am sure we will touch on those answers
6 a little bit later. I did tell people to call us or call the
7 Rec Department for some of those answers.

8 We are getting a lot of new neighbors in the area
9 and I have had some questions regarding HOAs and who are in
10 charge. So I spoke with Heather about that. Maybe we can
11 have some education out there for new residents regarding some
12 of those questions.

13 I met with some township leaders regarding power
14 outages. Mr. Rose and I have spoke with some of the other
15 townships. Mr. Rose has done a lot of homework on this and I
16 think there is going to be more information on those issues to
17 come.

18 I also got a chance to meet with our sheriffs
19 regarding some policing and additional policing, and I think
20 we have to have more discussion on that as well.

21 We did record another Talk of the Township, and you
22 guys are so much fun to do that with. I think we did another
23 record. It took us like five minutes. But other than that,
24 that's about it.

25 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Mrs. Lucci.

26 Mr. Dondorfer.

27 MR. DONDORFER: Well, thank you, Mr. Chairman. I
28 won't touch on several of the issues that Mrs. Lucci brought
29 up. I also did receive some calls about the pickleball
30 courts. There's a lot of excitement generated in that. It

1 looks like the middle of the month, we're going to open that
2 up and excited for our residents to come up and use that.

3 I did have some contact with some residents about
4 whether or not our law enforcement services are where they
5 should be, and I know we are going to have some further
6 discussion on that.

7 I did receive a phone call from a resident near
8 Morley and Prouty Road inquiring as to when the traffic signal
9 is going to change at that location. I did look into that and
10 I know there has been a delay with some materials but I guess
11 recently the site was flagged, so I think that's going to be
12 moving forward here in the near future.

13 I would like to remind everybody, with the end of
14 the month coming up, we've got some great things planned for
15 our Halloweeners in the township that Deb will touch on, so
16 that's exciting. And I think that's it.

17 CHAIRMAN MCINTOSH: Thank you, Mr. Dondorfer.

18 I've had kind of a pretty busy month. I've had a
19 couple meetings representing both the township and the JEDD
20 Board on economic development. So we met with two businesses
21 so far that are interested in locating in the township, so
22 that's pretty exciting. Growing businesses, so that's a nice
23 opportunity.

24 I've spoken about, with several residents about the
25 next phases of Quail. I had several phone calls about that.

26 And it must have been the month of zoning because
27 most of my correspondence was three or four different zoning
28 complaints.

29 They contacted me about traffic problems at the
30 Crile Crossing with regard to Starbucks.

1 And I did get some conversation about pickleball
2 courts and a few residents that weren't happy we did not adopt
3 the township-wide trash hauler contract. I know we've all
4 talked to people about that and it was pretty overwhelmingly
5 voiced to us earlier this year that people were not interested
6 in the township taking on that position. They wanted the
7 freedom of choice.

8 MR. DONDORFER: Right.

9 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: So not that that ship has ever
10 sailed.

11 MS. DAWSON: So I had a phone call today, actually,
12 a gentleman who was very pleased that we did not adopt the
13 contract. So I wanted to share that with you.

14 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

15 MR. DONDORFER: There are two sides. There is a
16 lot.

17 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: There is. And it's one of these
18 things where we always sit there and have to make a decision
19 and you're going to make some people unhappy.

20 MR. DONDORFER: Right.

21 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And it's just the way it goes.
22 But I think it's something that will always be open for debate
23 and discussion and the door is never necessarily closed on
24 that.

25 And I will close by saying I did enjoy filming the
26 Talk of the Township. It's always great.

27 MR. DONDORFER: It was great.

28 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: It always goes well and I think
29 there is good information, so I encourage you to check it out
30 if you haven't.

1 And with that, we get into our Department Reports,
2 starting off with Administrator Rose.

3 MR. ROSE: Thank you, Mr. McIntosh. Members of the
4 Board, Mrs. Dawson, members of the audience, good evening. A
5 lot to cover tonight.

6 I will start off, in preparation for tonight's vote
7 regarding the bids received for the Fire Stations Project, I
8 will read all the bids received on September 16, 2021. The
9 bids were as follows: There were one, two, three, four, five,
10 six, seven, eight -- ten bids received.

11 GreenHeart Companies LLC: Base bid for Fire Station
12 1 was \$10 million. They did not bid on Fire Station 2. They
13 did not bid on the combined Fire Station 1 and 2.

14 Hudson Group Incorporated: Base bid Fire Station 1
15 was \$10,125,000. Base bid for Fire Station 2 was \$6,150,000.
16 Their combined base bid for both stations was \$16,160,000.

17 Infinity Construction: Base bid for Fire Station 1
18 was \$9,883,000. Base bid for Fire Station 2 was \$5,959,000.
19 The base bid combined for Stations 1 and 2 was \$15,771,000.

20 Pinnacle Construction: Base bid for Fire Station 1
21 was \$9,972,173. Base bid for Fire Station 2 was \$5,917,218.
22 The base bid combined Fire Stations 1 and 2 was \$15,800,800.

23 Rycon Construction: Base bid for Fire Station 1 was
24 \$10,228,500. They did not bid on Fire Station 2. They did
25 not bid on the combined.

26 VendRick Construction: Base bid for Fire Station 1,
27 \$10,488,000. They did not bid on Fire Station 2. They did
28 not bid on the combined.

29 Sona Construction: They did not bid on Fire Station
30 1. Their base bid for Fire Station 2 was \$6,545,000. They

1 did not bid on the combined.

2 Lakeland, The Construction Group: Base bid for Fire
3 Station 1 was \$10,350,000. Base bid for Fire Station 2 was
4 \$6,070,000. They did not bid on the combined.

5 Mike Coates Construction: Base bid for Fire
6 Station 1 was \$10,886,455. Base bid for Fire Station 2 was
7 \$6,450,596. The base bid combined for Fire Stations 1 and 2
8 was \$17,000,271 -- I am sorry -- \$17,271,036.

9 And, finally, Hudson Construction: Base bid for
10 Fire Station 1 was \$10,998,000. No bid for base -- No base
11 bid for Fire Station 2, they did not bid, and they did not bid
12 on the combined Fire Stations 1 and 2.

13 So those are all the bids and they have now been
14 formally read into the record.

15 Based on the engineer's estimate, all bids were in
16 excess of 14 percent over the estimate. After consulting with
17 the law director, it is my recommendation that we must reject
18 all bids pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Section 153.12(A),
19 because all bids exceeded 10 percent. So we are required or
20 we must reject all bids. This is Item C on tonight's agenda.

21 Moving on, Item D is a resolution authorizing for
22 the advertisement of bids for Fire Station 1, just for Fire
23 Station 1. The bid package is currently being updated to
24 incorporate the addendums from the previous bid package, and
25 the cost estimate has also been updated for that.

26 Item F on the agenda is a resolution to retain a law
27 firm, Zashin & Rich, to assist in labor negotiations for the
28 upcoming labor contract for the Fire Department.

29 Item I is a vote to update the fees for the mailbox
30 barricades. Currently, we charge \$40 for the new barricades.

1 That price has been around for a long time. The actual cost
2 of materials exceeds the fee being charged to residents.
3 We're almost at \$50. So we're asking for an increase to \$50
4 for the new barricades. There is no change in the fee for
5 reinstallation of an existing barricade. So that's a minor
6 change to cover the cost.

7 I accepted, on behalf of the Township Trustees, a
8 resignation letter from part-time firefighter Brian Wendl.
9 His resignation was effective on September 13, 2021. We thank
10 Brian for his service and we wish him well in his future
11 endeavors.

12 The waterline study project has been completed by
13 CEC. As a reminder, this is the third and final phase of the
14 waterline study that's been ongoing. This final phase
15 provided the layout and cost estimates in order to determine
16 the next steps for the extension of the public water service
17 to certain areas of the township. Just as a review, the four
18 areas in this phase are Girdled Road from Raleigh Court to
19 Hermitage, Girdled Road from Painesville Warren Road to the
20 township line, Auburn Road from Stonewycke to Ravenna, and
21 then Cascade from Williams and extending about 2,600 feet to
22 the east. The consulting engineer is working with Painesville
23 Water. They're double checking everything prior to the final
24 submission to us. Once we receive the submission, I will
25 conduct an internal review and then send it along to the
26 Trustees with some recommendations.

27 Economic development, Mr. McIntosh touched on a
28 little bit of that. We are still in discussions with some
29 manufacturers looking at Concord Township and we do have
30 follow-up meetings that are scheduled for the week of the 11th

1 of October.

2 Mrs. Lucci touched on this but I had a productive
3 meeting with the government liaison from First Energy, Wendy
4 Zele, regarding the concerns raised on power reliability. We
5 received reports on select areas within the township. One
6 interesting note that indicates over half of the power outages
7 were caused by tree damage from trees that were outside the
8 right-of-way. So I'd just like to take a moment and I want to
9 remind our citizens that, if you've got dead trees or branches
10 that are located on private property, they should be taken
11 down if you think they have the potential to hit a power line
12 because those are homeowners' responsibilities. The electric
13 company will not trim any trees that are outside of the right-
14 of-way, and that's anywhere in the state of Ohio. That's
15 their policy.

16 There are some other upgrades that are coming to one
17 of the substations which will also improve some reliability.
18 We agreed to have a follow-up meeting in about a month or so
19 so we can fully evaluate the information that was provided to
20 us. And, you know, we're also talking with some of our other
21 townships on electrical reliability. So that quest continues
22 to improve electric reliability.

23 I do think our electric reliability is very good.
24 Always room for improvement. I think even First Energy/CEI
25 recognizes that and there are some upgrades planned. So there
26 will be some more information coming in the future on that.

27 Moving on, the work on the Kellogg Creek Restoration
28 Project, that's formerly known as the Brightwood Lake Dam
29 Removal Project, that continues. Last week the fish were
30 electro-shocked, which did not harm the fish in any way, but

1 they were electro-shocked, removed and restocked in other
2 lakes and ponds within the Cleveland Metroparks by wildlife
3 professionals. So the fish got a new home.

4 The lake will slowly be drained and a safety fence
5 is going to be installed to prevent anyone from accessing the
6 area where the soft bottom is. The dam breach and final
7 dewatering will be completed. We're waiting on Ohio DNR, Ohio
8 Department of Natural Resources to approve the final leg of
9 the plan and we expect that any day.

10 A little bit of unfortunate news: I hate bringing
11 this stuff up but the port-o-john that's located at Concord
12 Hills Park, we've removed it. This action was taken due to
13 constant abuse. I won't get into specifics other than to say
14 the issues that were encountered were well beyond normal wear
15 and tear and often repeated, even with signs that we posted
16 asking people to be respectful. It's unfortunate but we were
17 starting to be charged extra due to the repairs and the
18 extraordinary cleanup that was continuous, so I removed it.

19 Sheriff's contract, this is a big issue. As you are
20 aware, the County Commissioners, in conjunction with the Clerk
21 of Courts, Faith Andrews, they have offered a form of a cops
22 grant to the townships. The grant program provides an
23 additional deputy for each deputy we add to our existing
24 contract. The deputy that's paid for by the county would run
25 for four years and then we would assume the cost of that
26 deputy, that extra deputy.

27 We currently contract for seven deputies right now.
28 We have been internally evaluating the addition of two
29 deputies, and the Fiscal Officer and I, we believe we have
30 worked out a funding stream for the extra deputy. The county,

1 we received correspondence from them yesterday. In
2 correspondence received, they've indicated that we have to
3 take this offer by December 1st or the offer comes off the
4 table and it sunsets, so we will need to work on that by
5 December 1st.

6 Finally, I just want to touch, I want to take just a
7 half a second and I want to talk about Item E on the agenda.
8 This resolution, and I know Deb may touch on it, but this
9 resolution recognizes the 60th anniversary of our Garden Club.
10 And, you know, as I've mentioned in the past, our township
11 properties look absolutely fantastic due to the efforts of the
12 Garden Club. They're out here all the time, you know,
13 tinkering with the flowers, trimming the shrubs. They're at
14 the Community Center. They're at Old Stone School. They're
15 always making things look just fantastic. So I personally
16 cannot thank them enough for their dedicated effort and I want
17 to congratulate them on their 60th anniversary.

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

19 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Mr. Rose, for that
20 short report.

21 MR. ROSE: Trying to keep up with Deb Esker. It's
22 hard work.

23 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: There is no PowerPoint.

24 Okay. Moving through the order, Fire Department,
25 Chief Sabo.

26 CHIEF SABO: Good evening, everyone. For the month
27 of September 2021, we ran 237 events, compared to 194 in
28 September of 2020. Total runs for 2021 through the end of
29 September is 2,006, which is an increase of 204 from 2020,
30 which in 2020 we had 1,802 year to date up to September 31st.

1 These included 162 EMS events, with 119 transports to local
2 hospitals.

3 We had three fire events inside Concord. We had one
4 passenger vehicle fire, which was extinguished upon arrival
5 and no damage was done to exposed buildings or structures or
6 nobody got hurt. Outside of Concord, we had one building fire
7 in Chardon that we assisted on and one cooking fire in
8 Painesville City that we helped them with.

9 We gave mutual aid to our neighbors 18 times and
10 received mutual aid 14 times, and we had a total number of 73
11 overlapping calls or about 31 percent of our volume in
12 September was overlapping.

13 Our fire prevention bureau completed 33 inspections,
14 accounting for about 57 hours; they did six plan reviews, for
15 about 14 hours; and participated in about 10 hours of training
16 and continuing education in the month of September.

17 Public education, they did fire extinguisher
18 training for two businesses, training 131 people in the proper
19 use of fire extinguishers in their business. They went to
20 LaMuth sixth grade class and taught fire safety and public
21 safety career presentation to six classes, reaching 120
22 students. So that's good. We're trying to reach out to our
23 young ones to develop a career and interest in public safety.
24 We also went to St. Gabriel's pre-K fire safety class. There
25 was one class of 18 students.

26 Rick.

27 So the safety tip for 20 -- or for October 2021,
28 Fire Prevention Week, Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety.
29 Concord's fire prevention bureau is now in full swing
30 promoting the National Fire Prevention Associations campaign

1 to Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety. Knowing what to do when
2 an alarm sounds will keep you and your family safe both inside
3 the home, at school or wherever you're at.

4 Our fire inspectors, Doug Rought and Brien
5 Spangenberg, along with the duty crew, will be out visiting
6 Concord's day cares, preschools and elementary schools
7 throughout October. So these are just some of the slides of
8 last year. This year is going to be modified a little bit
9 just due to COVID so there is not going to be close contact.
10 Actually, I don't think these are even from last year. So
11 we're not sure if the crew or the kids have more fun at these.
12 So Kevin is there having a good time just playing around with
13 the kids. And we focus on all aspects of our firefighters'
14 jobs, not just fire fighting but EMS as well and fire
15 prevention.

16 Our in-school education programs are presented
17 primarily in October to coincide with Fire Prevention Week;
18 however, fire prevention continues throughout the year. We
19 have a large list of residents who take advantage of our smoke
20 alarm program. To schedule a home check, call (440) 354-7504,
21 or send an email request to smokedetectors@ConcordTwp.com.

22 And fire prevention is a group effort. Over the
23 years, we have teamed up with local businesses, state and
24 federal agencies to get the word out. We have received some
25 financial assistance from Firehouse Subs in Mentor to help us
26 purchase large quantities of smoke alarms, and Concord
27 Township has also teamed up with local agencies and
28 organizations, such as Hope Ridge Church, to install smoke
29 detectors in the home of a Concord resident who has difficulty
30 hearing. There are smoke alarms to alert devices that alert

1 people who have difficulty hearing, and these devices include
2 strobe lights that flash to alert people when the smoke alarm
3 sounds, as well as vibrating devices that go under your pillow
4 so it alerts them when they're sleeping. So when they can't
5 hear the alarm or see the strobe, then the vibration wakes
6 them up if their smoke alarm goes off.

7 We're very proud of the partnerships that we have
8 developed over the years and enjoy our community involvement.
9 This was kind of fun. We were, just happened to be driving
10 through the neighborhood -- I think this was last year -- and
11 these entrepreneurs were out selling lemonade. So we thought
12 we'd stopped and support their efforts.

13 So we just want to thank everyone for their
14 continued support to the Fire Department, and check out our
15 Facebook page and stay tuned for upcoming events that you
16 might see us out and about at. Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN MCINTOSH: Thank you, Chief.

18 Okay. Service Department, Tim Brown.

19 MR. BROWN: Good evening, everyone.

20 MR. DONDORFER: Good evening.

21 MR. BROWN: The 2021 road resurfacing projects are
22 finally completed. Fay Road, the Fay Road area received the
23 mastic fog coat last week, bringing that project to a close.
24 The ODOT Route 608 resurfacing project was also completed last
25 week. The parking lot projects at Town Hall, the Service
26 Department and Community Center were completed and have
27 enhanced the look of all the township properties, and we've
28 got a lot more parking spaces.

29 The Service Department crews are wrapping up their
30 construction season. The concrete slab replacement crew

1 poured over 800 yards of concrete throughout the township this
2 year and will begin making repairs to the curb inlet basins in
3 the coming weeks. Our drainage crew continues ditch
4 maintenance, culvert replacements and stormwater enhancements.
5 We continue to work with the Lake County Stormwater Department
6 to improve the stormwater runoff throughout the township.

7 The asphalt crews are out making repairs to asphalt
8 roads with the Dura-Patch machine. Our Service Department
9 also teamed up with Chardon Township Service Department on
10 some full-depth repairs to Colburn Road. I would like to give
11 a special thank you to the City of Kirtland for providing us
12 the use of their paving machine and one of their operators to
13 assist the townships with the repairs made on Colburn. By
14 working with the neighboring communities, we are able to
15 assist each other to curb costs on equipment rentals and
16 having to contract out services.

17 Concord Township's new pickleball courts are
18 awaiting the installation of the perimeter fence. This will
19 be installed on Monday, the 11th. And once the fence is
20 installed, the Service Department will install the posts and
21 nets and, if all goes as planned, the courts will be open for
22 play on Friday, the 15th.

23 MR. ROSE: Woohoo.

24 MR. BROWN: The yard waste dropoff continues to see
25 a lot of traffic. We remind residents that the yard waste
26 dropoff is open Monday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to
27 2:30 p.m., and will continue until 2:30 p.m. on November 30th.

28 The annual brush day collection will take place on
29 Saturdays October 9th and October 16th, from 7:30 a.m. to
30 2:30 p.m. Please see the Concord website for information and

1 a list of what is accepted at the dropoff.

2 The Service Department reminds residents, also, with
3 any questions, concerns to contact us at (440) 350-3225 or by
4 email at ConcordTwp.com under Service Department.

5 That concludes my report. Anybody have any
6 questions?

7 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: No. Thank you, Tim.

8 MR. DONDORFER: Thanks.

9 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: The parking lot here at Town
10 Hall does look fantastic.

11 MS. LUCCI: Awesome.

12 MR. DONDORFER: Nice work.

13 MR. ROSE: Yeah.

14 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And Heather Freeman for Zoning,
15 please.

16 MS. FREEMAN: Good evening.

17 MR. ROSE: Good evening.

18 MS. FREEMAN: So during the month of September, the
19 Zoning Department staff processed 39 zoning permit
20 applications and collected \$6,100 in fees. Year to date, we
21 processed 319 zoning permit applications, of which have 67
22 permits were approved for new single-family dwellings.

23 Additionally in September, staff performed 31 final
24 inspections for open zoning permits and followed up on 10 new
25 complaints about potential zoning violations.

26 Last night, the Zoning Commission met for their
27 regular meeting. They conditionally approved a new site plan
28 review application for the Auburn Career Center, who is
29 planning on constructing a first responder training facility
30 located on their campus at 8159 Auburn Road. So we're looking

1 forward to seeing how that turns out. Also, they held their
2 public hearing for zoning text amendments to Section 16 of the
3 Zoning Resolution. They voted to recommend approval of the
4 all the amendments and will be forwarding those amendments to
5 the Trustees so you may set your public hearing in the near
6 future.

7 Next week, the Board of Zoning Appeals will meet for
8 their regular meeting. They're going to have three new cases
9 to review. The detailed agenda may be found on the township's
10 website under "Public Meetings."

11 Any other questions, I am happy to answer them.
12 That's it for this evening.

13 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Heather.

14 MR. ROSE: Thanks, Heather.

15 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. And now Recreation,
16 Debra.

17 MS. ESKER: Good evening, everybody. As we welcome
18 fall and enter into this magical time of year, your Concord
19 Township Recreation Department offers innovative family-
20 friendly programs, robust class schedules, entertaining
21 programs for seniors, and much more. We also have some
22 exciting news to share and facility updates for our residents,
23 so here is what we've got planned for residents and guests
24 this month.

25 Rick, PowerPoint, please. You've got to double
26 click.

27 The Concord Community Center has a beautiful new
28 look. The building was recently re-sided with sturdy and
29 durable vinyl siding, giving the center a fresh, new, updated
30 appearance. Crews also repaved the entire parking lot,

1 repainted stripes for parking spaces. Outside the lighting
2 was fixed, so the parking lot is brightly illuminated for all
3 of our evening activities. It is beautiful. Residents are
4 welcome and encouraged to stop by and check out the Concord
5 Community Center new look.

6 And just an FYI, we are booking up quickly. So if
7 anyone is interested in renting the Community Center,
8 especially this year, please contact the Recreation Department
9 very soon.

10 Pickleball has arrived in Concord Township. Two new
11 pickleball courts, as we all know, are currently being
12 completed on the Town Hall Campus. And as you have alluded to
13 before, they're scheduled to be ready for open play beginning
14 October 15th. The idea is to watch how residents use the
15 courts. We will learn from that and then go from there. The
16 Recreation Department will offer pickleball classes next
17 spring, and we look forward to coordinating teams. So if
18 residents are interested, just contact the Recreation
19 Department anytime if you are interested in joining a team and
20 have ideas and feedback on how to use those courts.

21 Take time for yourself this fall and enroll in a
22 leisure class through the Recreation Department. In October,
23 our classes include Pilates Yoga Fusion, Gentle Morning Yoga,
24 a Martial Arts program that welcomes both kids and adults,
25 POUND classes, Tai Chi. Our photograph series is back with
26 Photography from A to Z, Learning Lightroom, and Photoshop
27 Elements. We have an Introduction to Amateur Radio class,
28 create beautiful stained-class Christmas trees, Chalk Couture
29 classes that make little, adorable little holiday farmhouse
30 signs, a Microsoft Windows for Adults class, and a Getting

1 Started with Medicare class. Residents and guests are welcome
2 to register for classes online at ConcordTwp.com or simply
3 call the Recreation Department for immediate assistance.

4 The Recreation Department has teamed up with the
5 Mentor Public Library to offer library programs on Tuesday
6 mornings at the beautifully re-sided Concord Community Center.
7 Earlier this week, residents and guests learned how meeting at
8 a tennis court changed the course of the French Revolution.
9 On October 12th, the library staff presents Urban Legends of
10 Ohio with a discussion afterward. Library Tuesday programs
11 are free and open to the public. However, we do ask guests to
12 preregister so we can save your seat and your treat.

13 Whoops. Thank you, Rick. Let's go back one slide,
14 please.

15 Earlier today residents and guests learned what they
16 can do to increase strength, stability and balance and
17 ultimately prevent falls at this afternoon's senior social.
18 Our next senior social -- thank you, Rick -- is October 20th,
19 when guests will participate in a poker run where they drive
20 to five designated locations in beautiful Concord Township and
21 collect playing cards at each location, along with interesting
22 historical facts. The last stop is the Community Center for
23 refreshments, and the best poker hand wins a gift basket.
24 It's a really adorable idea. On October 27th, we will host
25 our monthly bingo afternoon, complete with prizes and fierce
26 but friendly competition. Senior socials are free and all are
27 welcome. Just contact the Recreation Department again to
28 reserve your treat and your seat.

29 And now the Concord Township's Annual Candidates and
30 Issues Forum will be held on Wednesday, October 13th, in the

1 Auburn Career Center auditorium. The forum begins promptly at
2 5:00 p.m. Speakers will include Trustee Lucci and Trustee
3 Dondorfer, as well as the majority of candidates running for
4 local school boards. They'll also include speakers on all
5 three issues on the ballot. The forum will be videotaped and
6 made available for on-demand viewing through the township's
7 website. Candidates and issues forums are very effective ways
8 to get familiar with candidate platforms and hear the details
9 behind the issues. And, as always, they're free and open to
10 the public.

11 Ahoy, maties! What happens when a pirate falls into
12 the Red Sea? He gets marooned. Ba-dum-bum. Why do pirates
13 have a hard time learning the alphabet? Because they get
14 stuck at C. Okay. I could go on but I won't. But I am just
15 setting the mood for Concord Township's Halloween Treasure
16 Hunt and Pirate Party on Saturday, October 30th. From
17 10:00 a.m. to noon, families are invited to drive around
18 beautiful Concord Township to collect treasure and treats from
19 seven different locations. And then head over to Concord
20 Township's Gazebo at around 12:30 for a Pirate Party featuring
21 the BlackJack, BlackJack Gypsies Band. And you can bet your
22 one-eyed parrot that the Recreation Department will have a lot
23 of fun events along with it. X marks the spot on your
24 calendar for the October 30th Halloween Treasure Hunt and
25 Pirate Party. So you can download this map from
26 www.ConcordTwp.com today, and printed copies of the map are
27 also available at the Concord Community Center and at Town
28 Hall and electronically available on our website, and they
29 were also in the October version of the e-Grapevine
30 newsletter.

1 Okay. So just one more, just one more. So a pirate
2 goes to a dermatologist to get his moles checked. The doctor
3 says, "You're fine. They're benign." The pirate says, "Check
4 again. I think there be 11."

5 Okay. Moving on, we're moving on.

6 Neighborhood trick-or-treating in Concord Township
7 will take place on Halloween, Sunday, October 31st, from 6:00
8 to 8:00 p.m. We always look forward to seeing all the little
9 ghosts and goblins running around the neighborhoods. So,
10 everyone, please take a little extra care that evening when
11 you drive around the township and let's just all look out for
12 each other and take care of each other.

13 And here is another reminder that Concord Township
14 celebrates our Bicentennial in 2022. Residents will receive a
15 special edition of the Bicentennial publication that will be
16 included in the winter/spring edition of the Grapevine
17 newsletter, and that will all be sent out in early January.
18 So the special edition of the Bicentennial publication will
19 list information about all of the events, the Bicentennial
20 themed events, to honor our township throughout the year, and
21 we warmly invite residents and businesses to get involved. So
22 simply just contact the Recreation Department for
23 opportunities on sponsorship, on getting involved and talk to
24 us about the Bicentennial.

25 And, finally, I am very happy to report, as we've
26 stated before, that the Garden Club celebrates its 60th
27 anniversary this year. In honor of the ladies of the Garden
28 Club and their very important work, we created a formal
29 resolution to present to them at their anniversary luncheon
30 next week. Fiscal Officer Dawson has that resolution for your

1 signatures and your vote. It's scheduled later tonight under
2 New Business, Item E. So heartfelt congratulations to the
3 beautiful, lovely ladies of the Garden Club. We thank you for
4 all of the beautiful work that they do.

5 And that concludes my report tonight. Thank you so
6 much.

7 MR. DONDORFER: Thanks, Deb.

8 MS. LUCCI: Thank you.

9 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And with that, Sergeant Infalvi,
10 with Concord law enforcement report.

11 SERGEANT INFALVI: Hopefully, I don't depress you
12 all now after her. But we responded to 856 calls for service,
13 20 injury accidents, five property damage accidents. We had
14 12 arrests for the month of September. One was an adult
15 female for trespass, resisting arrest, aggravated menacing; a
16 female for domestic violence and assault; a male for
17 improperly handling of a firearm; a male for failure to
18 comply; and a male for felony warrant and no operator's
19 license. Three OVI, operating a vehicle/intoxication arrests,
20 24 citations for traffic violations, 135 warnings, 42 business
21 checks. We conducted 26 crime prevention. We responded to 15
22 disturbances, eight domestic investigations, and 53 suspicious
23 circumstances and vehicles and persons. That is it for the
24 month.

25 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Sergeant.

26 MS. LUCCI: Thank you.

27 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. Concluding
28 Department Reports, I will open up to the audience and we will
29 start with anybody present at Town Hall.

30 (No response.)

1 All right. Seeing none, I will invite our virtual
2 participant, if there is any questions or if you would like to
3 address the Board.

4 (No response.)

5 Okay. Not hearing anything, we will move into Old
6 Business, which we have none.

7 And next item on the agenda will be the New
8 Business. We have, with respect to Item C, which is rejecting
9 the bids for the fire stations, we have our owner's rep here
10 this evening. So what I would like to do, I know that I spent
11 some time talking with him when we got the bids in. I am not
12 sure who else did. But I would like to invite Mr. Riachi up
13 to sort of take us through his review of everything that
14 happened. And I think we've probably got some questions and
15 there will be a little bit of dialogue about where the project
16 stands at this point.

17 MR. RIACHI: Good evening. As Andy stated earlier,
18 we had ten bids. We look at the low three bidders. The
19 numbers were pretty close. So that gives us a pretty good
20 indication that the low three bidders were pretty competitive,
21 the numbers were competitive. Once you get past the number
22 five, you know, it started jumping from there. But we still
23 have some pretty good competitive bids, which is indicative of
24 the market and where the numbers are. We didn't have any big
25 discrepancies. It didn't look like there was somebody that
26 was very low number within the, you know, the low five. If
27 you look at them, they're all within a couple percent of each
28 other.

29 So that's, unfortunately, where the market is right
30 now with the construction industry. As Andy stated, you know,

1 it's over the 10 percent of the engineer's estimate that was
2 provided to you earlier, so we have to reject them. Our
3 recommendation, along with Andy's, is to go back to bid for
4 Fire Station Number 1, adjust the estimate and then go from
5 there. So that's kind of where we're at. I will be happy to
6 answer any questions that you might have.

7 MS. LUCCI: So you think it's better to not wait, to
8 go back and bid now? I know we're not sure. Prices are going
9 to change but is three months going to make a difference at
10 this point?

11 MR. RIACHI: Unfortunately, three months are not
12 going to make a difference. The way, with what we're seeing
13 with the industry, more projects coming online and being bid,
14 we don't see that as three months is going to make any
15 difference, truthfully. If anything, it is going to hurt,
16 it's not going to help, in our personal opinion, from what
17 we're seeing and hearing from material suppliers and other
18 construction projects coming out for bid.

19 On the short-term, I don't think that waiting two or
20 three months is going to help at all. I think going out now,
21 as soon as we can, because the subcontractors still have their
22 numbers, they can update them very quickly, we might be able
23 to get a few more interested, you know, subcontractors,
24 suppliers into the bid process, you know, it's probably best
25 to do it now than to wait. We don't see this in the next
26 short term, three, six months, even ten months, truthfully,
27 we're not foreseeing numbers coming down in the short term
28 because the supply is still not catching up to the demand is
29 the bottom line.

30 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Mr. Rose, when was our -- The

1 engineer's estimate was redone this spring, correct?

2 MR. ROSE: It was done in May.

3 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: May, okay. So the difference in
4 cost, I mean -- I am in manufacturing. So, I mean, I have
5 seen, over the summer, not only costs explode but availability
6 go from something -- I mean, I, 34 years in business, have
7 never backordered, I've never had a backlog longer than 10
8 days and I ended up at 60 days, six to eight weeks, and sat
9 around waiting to make orders because there was literally no
10 material.

11 Are those, in your industry, in construction, are
12 you seeing some of the same ripples? Is that what's driving
13 the cost? I mean, we went with an engineer's estimate in May
14 and then September, put it out to bid in October, only a
15 couple of months, and yet we yielded in excess of 10 percent.
16 What are the drivers on this?

17 MR. RIACHI: It's a combination of shortages of
18 material, the labor, you know, forces being busy, not having
19 enough labor force in the, in the, out there. So it's a
20 combination of both. You have an issue with labor. You have,
21 definitely have an issue with material deliveries and driving
22 the cost up. I mean, the manufacturers are all backordered.
23 Everybody is, you know, calling for orders and numbers are
24 keep going up. Raw material is hard to get. Shipping is
25 becoming an issue.

26 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Right.

27 MR. RIACHI: I mean, right now, if you were to order
28 steel, for instance, for a big project -- I mean, fortunately,
29 the fire stations package is not huge, you know. But let's
30 say you're ordering a three-story building. You're probably

1 looking at eight to ten months before you get your material.
2 I mean, it's just been, it's just, material deliveries have
3 been a nightmare and cost goes along with it, obviously.

4 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: So your opinion is this trend
5 will continue as far as the shortage of materials. Obviously,
6 there is probably an increase in costs for the labor force,
7 right, because there is only so many. There is people that
8 aren't working. The ones that are working are being paid.

9 MR. RIACHI: Well, your project is a prevailing wage
10 project because of the nature of the public bidding. So those
11 rates are set. We are not looking at an increase until later
12 on in 2022 from hourly rate. But, obviously, shortage of
13 labor might be a different story that would increas it.

14 As far as material is concerned, yes, to answer your
15 question. We are seeing the trend, it keeps going. Because
16 we do not have, we're not seeing the material getting stocked
17 and stored, you know, at the suppliers' locations where you
18 can call and get an order right away. So that tells us that
19 things are still backordered, there's still high demand, low
20 supply on it. So, yes, it's, unfortunately, the trend is
21 there.

22 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And would you say the general
23 rise in material contracts, I mean, if the supply chain
24 continues to be stretched as it is -- And I know that we're
25 catching up with some of the material but I also know that the
26 backlog of getting it is not changing. The lead times are
27 triple what they normally are. The cost is triple what it
28 normally is. Do you see anything going on? There is talk
29 about an infrastructure bill and different things that are
30 going to cause any of this to crest out or are we looking

1 at -- I mean, we're not looking at a cost that's going to be
2 down closer to pre-pandemic or 12 months ago for any
3 foreseeable future, correct?

4 MR. RIACHI: I totally agree with that. I mean,
5 unfortunately, in my industry what we've always seen is that
6 prices go up. They very rarely come back down anytime soon.
7 It takes, it takes something, it takes a crash, unfortunately,
8 for them to come down. I mean, we saw a price adjustment in
9 the construction industry in '08, '09 and '10 because, you
10 know, because everybody knows what happened then. So we're
11 not, we're not seeing those prices are going to drop any
12 drastic until we have, you know, the supply and demand kind of
13 get together or get lopsided again.

14 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And if you have the government,
15 federal government funding infrastructure spending over the
16 next five years, the numbers they're talking about, you're not
17 going to see those kinds of crashes coming.

18 MR. RIACHI: We're not. I mean, even if you look at
19 just the residential market, I mean, the demand is so great.
20 They can't keep, they can't keep up with the buildings.

21 MR. DONDORFER: Do you have any idea what percentage
22 the amount of steel has gone up since -- When did we get that
23 engineer's estimate?

24 MR. ROSE: May.

25 MR. DONDORFER: In May?

26 MR. RIACHI: I don't, can't give you a specific
27 number but I will venture to say every bit of 30 percent on
28 the steel. There is some specific items, you know, piping,
29 you know, for underground steel, you know, there is a lot of
30 items that have had huge spikes. We've had, like, drywall has

1 gone up but not as much, you know. Metal studs, wood framing
2 has gone up. Lumber has stabilized a little bit but we had a
3 spike earlier. I mean, the lumber spike happened earlier in
4 the year.

5 MR. ROSE: Copper, I am guessing.

6 MR. RIACHI: Copper has gone up. I mean, it keeps
7 going. Part of the issue now that we're facing is, you know,
8 prices are being held for two, three weeks and then there is
9 adjustments. Sometimes it goes up, sometimes it stays where
10 it's at. We're not seeing it going down. So it's either, it
11 stays or it goes up.

12 MR. DONDORFER: Goes up.

13 MR. RIACHI: So we're not seeing, I mean, they're
14 not -- Typically, we used to get material, two increases a
15 year. You would get a notice, hey, January 1st it's going to
16 be up a few percent and then in April you get your notice,
17 June 1st either it stays where it's at or it's going to go up.
18 Now it's every four weeks, every month, is pretty much what
19 we're seeing.

20 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Yeah. I know, in my industry, I
21 know manufacturers that are on their fourth increase in nine
22 months. I am on my third round at this point.

23 So your recommendation is that we just go ahead and
24 proceed. We've got some, a little bit of work to get an
25 estimate back in line so that, when these numbers come in,
26 they will be a little bit more in line and just keep moving is
27 the best bet as far as trying to do this optimally and get it
28 done.

29 MR. RIACHI: That is our recommendation, yes.

30 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Okay.

1 MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Any other questions for
3 Mr. Riachi?

4 MS. LUCCI: No.

5 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you for your time.

6 MR. RIACHI: Thank you.

7 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: I just wanted to, having had
8 some conversation with Mrs. Dawson about a lot of things, and
9 Mr. Rose, the recommendation is just to go forward looking at
10 only Station 1, forgetting the dual bid, forgetting and just
11 sort of setting aside Station 2 at this point and focusing on
12 bidding that project and getting that project through to
13 completion. And we're looking at, I mean, at this point, a
14 chunk of time now. I know construction has been 18 months.
15 But given the supply lead times, that can probably stretch, is
16 what I am hearing. So we focus on that and regroup on the
17 second half of the project.

18 MR. ROSE: Yes, sir.

19 MS. DAWSON: Yes.

20 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Any other comments or questions
21 from the Board?

22 MR. DONDORFER: No.

23 MS. LUCCI: No.

24 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: I also note that we had some,
25 Mr. Rose had brought up the offer from the Commissioners and
26 coming from the title fund, the Clerk of Courts Office,
27 regarding law enforcement and we are kind of on a clock now.
28 We've got some, a little bit of diligence to do as far as
29 taking or leaving an offer that would be a start of or coming
30 here at the end of the year in December.

1 Mr. Rose, if I was correct in my reading of the
2 American Recovery Plan Act funds, supporting law enforcement
3 is one of the things that funds are, is it -- Are we looking
4 into that? Is that something we can --

5 MR. ROSE: We are, we are investigating that. We
6 are, I am talking with a bunch of my counterparts. I know
7 that Jason Boyd, who is the County Administrator, is looking
8 at it from the County Administrators Association. I am on the
9 Executive Board of CLOUT down in Columbus. We're looking at
10 it. We're also consulting and I will be sending some stuff to
11 the law director in the near future once I've done my -- I try
12 to do a little bit of homework before I send it over to
13 Mr. Lucas. But I think there is a provision in the American
14 Recovery Act Plan funding that does allow a community to
15 utilize ARPA money for certain aspects of law enforcement,
16 yes.

17 CHAIRMAN MCINTOSH: Any thoughts from the Board as
18 far as that offer? I know I have a former Sheriff's
19 Department employee sitting next to me who is intimately
20 familiar with the patrol of Concord.

21 MR. DONDORFER: Yeah. I mean, if I could take a few
22 minutes, I could maybe shed some light on our residents of how
23 we came to be, how the township came to be involved in funding
24 a portion of the sheriff's patrol division. But back during
25 the financial and economic crisis of 2007 and 2008, the Board
26 of Commissioners then had some discussion on trimming the
27 budget, and the biggest budget in the county is always the
28 sheriff's budget. Okay? So, at that point in time, the
29 County Commissioners, up until that point in time, were
30 funding all of the patrol deputies for the townships with

1 money from the general fund from other, you know,
2 municipalities and things of that nature.

3 There was some discussion at that point in time and
4 the Board of Commissioners decided that, after review of the
5 sheriff's responsibility -- which is rather vague but, to
6 summarize it, it's to respond to emergencies and to restore
7 order and peace -- that due to the critical infrastructure
8 that is within Lake County, i.e. the nuclear power plant,
9 which the Sheriff's Department is a primary responder, first
10 responder to, that they would fund 12 deputies to respond to
11 emergencies at that point in time.

12 And if the townships wanted additional patrol
13 services, i.e., law enforcement presence within the townships
14 patrolling, taking criminal complaints, responding to
15 nonemergencies, that they would need to fund that part of it,
16 that component.

17 So when we sat down in 2008 with the townships and
18 pitched the idea about funding that with the Commissioners,
19 since they were going to only fund 12 deputies for emergency
20 response, the plan was to get Concord to ten deputies, at
21 least ten based on the demographics at that point in time,
22 Painesville Township to ten deputies, Perry Township to five,
23 and Leroy was sort of out in limbo at that point in time.

24 So I was charged with the administration in
25 developing a patrol plan and, just to summarize it quickly, is
26 that what happened was the initial cadre of officers that were
27 funded by the townships for patrol services came out of
28 Concord Township, financial support from Concord Township and
29 Painesville Township. With that, we knew eventually down the
30 road that there would have to be a levy to support and sustain

1 that and, obviously, grow it because the goal was to, at
2 least, get to ten in Painesville and Concord.

3 I -- We fast forward to get to the Safety Services
4 Levy and that funded some additional deputies. So right now
5 where it sits is, I think, we sit at seven. Painesville
6 Township sits at six.

7 MR. ROSE: Yes.

8 MR. DONDORFER: Over the years, Perry Township had
9 tried to put on a levy twice and failed. They are now going
10 to be putting on four. And we are looking at shoring up law
11 enforcement services within the township and now we have this
12 proposal, which is a model of the Federal Cops Grant where, if
13 the township pays for one and the county pays for another
14 for -- What is it, three or four years?

15 MR. ROSE: Four years, yes, sir.

16 MR. DONDORFER: After four years, the township
17 entities would have to assimilate those salaries. In my
18 professional opinion and personal opinion, I mean, based on
19 the demographics in Concord Township, you know, we're almost
20 at 20,000 residents. The dynamics that we live in now, there
21 is a need for additional law enforcement resources but it's,
22 how do we get there?

23 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Right.

24 MR. DONDORFER: You have to have the right road map
25 because what you don't want to do is build up that cadre of
26 officers and not be able to support it down the road when we
27 have to assimilate the salaries. So it's important, I
28 believe, that we build towards that ten that we had originally
29 planned to do back in 2007 and 2008, because we're at seven
30 now, and move towards that. And based on the FBI statistical

1 data, based on demographics, crime statistics, that being Part
2 1, Part 2, Part 3 crimes and calls for service, there's a need
3 for additional law enforcement resources within Concord
4 Township. I just, I want to be fiscally responsible if we do
5 it and that's the plan we have to come up with.

6 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: I know that's something that you
7 have mentioned, actually, since you and I started working
8 together, and you've been speaking more to that point
9 throughout this year even before this opportunity came up.

10 So, Mrs. Lucci, any --

11 MS. LUCCI: Yeah. Thank you for giving us sort of
12 the lowdown and history on that. And I agree. I think we
13 have to have a long-term solution in the forefront as well.
14 Obviously, I support the sheriff. I think it's important to
15 have police presence anyway. It just sort of helps deter
16 crime.

17 So what are the, what are the standards then for
18 population? Is it one --

19 MR. ROSE: One per thousand.

20 MS. LUCCI: One per two thousand or one per one
21 thousand?

22 MR. DONDORFER: I thought it was one per --

23 MS. LUCCI: One per one thousand?

24 MR. DONDORFER: One per two thousand.

25 MR. ROSE: One, one full-time equivalent for two
26 thousand people, I believe.

27 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: That sounds right.

28 MR. DONDORFER: So right now, if we're funding --
29 We're funding seven right now. The township is getting, on a
30 day-to-day basis, 1.75 deputies which, you know, you've got to

1 take into account for days off, training.

2 MS. LUCCI: Right.

3 MR. DONDORFER: So you literally have 1.75 officers
4 on daily in Concord Township for a population of almost
5 20,000. Now, not to mention there is an agreement between the
6 townships that we share our paid resources of law enforcement
7 for mutual aid. So when you get a priority call or an injury
8 accident or a call on crime in progress, like a domestic,
9 where an officer in Painesville Township needs a backup car,
10 that car might be pulled from Concord Township, might be one
11 of the officers that's funded by the county. But we sort of
12 share and shuffle our resources so that we can do it safely.

13 MS. LUCCI: I guess that's my question. So, you
14 know, we get more but, you know, if there is emergencies
15 elsewhere, you know, how -- Are we going to have more sheriffs
16 around, you know? So I feel like it's hard to quantify, you
17 know.

18 MR. DONDORFER: It is. And I think, you know,
19 initially when we laid out that plan of ten in Concord and ten
20 in Painesville and five in Perry, the townships were going to
21 move towards that. And I know initially in 2008 the county
22 funded 12. But as times change, the population changes.
23 There is additional population and there is new infrastructure
24 and there needed to be some additional growth, I think, at the
25 county level, too, as far as funding additional law
26 enforcement resources.

27 But I think if we add additional law enforcement
28 resources in the township, it sort of allows us to keep more
29 accountability of the deputies that we're funding by keeping
30 them in the township because, you know, you're sort of going

1 to understand where your mutual aid is being utilized because
2 you can get that data from the Sheriff's Department.

3 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: I had a conversation earlier, a
4 few months go, with the Sheriff, actually, about that and kind
5 of going through call stats. And I know that, I think, we
6 were second or third in line. But the fact that, you know,
7 Painesville, I know some of our cars are going out, to Carl's
8 point, we're losing patrol to backup on priority calls. But
9 the fact that Perry is making an effort to bring some
10 resources to the table which hasn't been the case for the last
11 11 years --

12 MR. DONDORFER: Right.

13 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: That's a game-changer, so that
14 certainly helps us. I think taking a look at taking advantage
15 of what the, the money the county is offering up is definitely
16 something we should do. I know I've had some loose
17 conversations with Mrs. Dawson about it but I'd like to
18 continue the discussions and pursue it. To Mr. Rose's
19 diligence regarding ARPA funds, I think that's something we
20 should take a look at and see how this might -- what our
21 options are, what the possibilities are as far as taking
22 advantage of that generous offer. So we've got a little bit
23 of work to do and some time to get it done in.

24 MR. DONDORFER: Yeah.

25 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: So anything else?

26 MR. ROSE: No, sir. Thank you.

27 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. Well, with that,
28 let's move into our votes for the evening, so we will kick it
29 off with Item A.

30 MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move to approve the

1 September financial report.

2 MR. DONDORFER: I will second.

3 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And any discussion? All in
4 favor?

5 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

6 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: That's three affirmative votes.

7 MR. DONDORFER: Mr. Chairman, I vote to approve the
8 zoning text amendment to Section 13.33(E), Outside Dining, to
9 delete the existing requirement for maximum outside seating
10 capacity.

11 MS. LUCCI: I second.

12 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Okay. Any discussion?

13 MR. DONDORFER: No.

14 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: I would just add that the
15 Planning Commission and Zoning Commission's recommendation and
16 the fact that we've already provided variances to this effect,
17 I would agree this is reasonable. So all in favor?

18 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

19 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Three yeses.

20 MS. LUCCI: I move to reject all bids related to the
21 Fire Stations Project.

22 MR. DONDORFER: I will second.

23 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And discussion?

24 MS. LUCCI: I think, from what we heard from our
25 owner's rep and Mr. Rose, I think it's probably the best
26 decision at this time.

27 MR. DONDORFER: Yeah. I mean, with it being in
28 excess of 14 percent and, under statute, it exceeds 10
29 percent.

30 MS. LUCCI: We have no choice.

1 MR. DONDORFER: We don't have a choice.

2 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Right. I would concur. And I
3 think the sooner we can get back to bidding based on seeing,
4 you know, from my personal experience, where costs are going,
5 I think we need to get back at it. So --

6 MR. DONDORFER: Yeah. It's not going to go down.

7 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: It's not going to go down. So
8 we need to --

9 MR. DONDORFER: Get on it.

10 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. All in favor?

11 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

12 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Motion carries.

13 MR. DONDORFER: Mr. Chairman, I vote to approve
14 Resolution 2021-21, a resolution by the Concord Township Board
15 of Trustees to advertise for bids for the Concord Township
16 Fire Stations Project.

17 MS. LUCCI: Should that say Fire Station 1 or does
18 that matter?

19 MR. ROSE: The resolution actually contains language
20 that it's just for Fire Station 1.

21 MS. LUCCI: Okay. I will second.

22 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. And assuming we've
23 covered discussion, anything else? All right. All in favor?

24 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

25 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Okay.

26 MS. LUCCI: I move to approve Resolution 2021-22, a
27 resolution to honor the Concord Garden Club on their 60th
28 anniversary.

29 MR. DONDORFER: And I will second. They do an
30 outstanding job.

1 MS. LUCCI: Yes, they do.

2 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And, Mr. Rose, would you please
3 read that resolution?

4 MR. ROSE: I would be happy to.

5 "Resolution 2021-22, Recognizing the Concord Garden
6 Club's 60th Anniversary.

7 "Whereas, the Concord Garden Club, originally known
8 as the Concord Garden Study Club, was formed in 1961 and is
9 now celebrating its 60th Anniversary in 2021; and

10 "Whereas, the many members of the Concord Garden
11 Club form an active group of avid gardeners dedicated to all
12 phases of gardening and sound horticultural practices,
13 contributing to local civic duty and strongly supporting the
14 conservation of natural resources; and

15 "Whereas, Concord Garden Club members have
16 volunteered thousands of expert hours enhancing the grounds of
17 Town Hall Commons, the Concord Community Center, the Old Stone
18 School and the Concord cemeteries. The club's work on these
19 properties, including plant and tree selection and
20 maintenance, Arbor Day ceremonies and tree restoration,
21 holiday decorating and overall guidance on township gardens,
22 all demonstrates their commitment to our community and
23 presents a charming and welcoming environment for the
24 residents and many visitors of the township.

25 "Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Concord
26 Township Board of Trustees, Lake County, Ohio, does hereby,
27 with great honor and privilege, recognize and publicly wish to
28 extend its utmost gratitude and appreciation to all the
29 members and friends of the Concord Garden Club for their
30 continued and everlasting dedication and commitment to the

1 township and its residents."

2 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Mr. Rose. And I
3 would just like to add the Garden Club does indeed do a
4 fantastic job and it's an honor to, it's an honor to have
5 them.

6 MS. LUCCI: Yes, it is.

7 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All in favor?

8 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

9 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Motion carries.

10 MR. DONDORFER: Mr. Chairman, I will make a motion
11 to approve Resolution 2021-23 to enter into an agreement to
12 retain the law firm of Zashin & Rich as labor counsel for the
13 purposes of contract negotiations with the Fire Department.

14 MS. LUCCI: I second.

15 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Any discussion?

16 MR. DONDORFER: No.

17 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. All in favor?

18 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

19 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Motion carries.

20 MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move to approve
21 Resolution 2021-24, the Amended Permanent Appropriations,
22 dated 10/6/2021.

23 MR. DONDORFER: I will second.

24 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Mrs. Dawson, can I have a roll
25 call, please.

26 MS. DAWSON: Mrs. Lucci?

27 MS. LUCCI: Yes.

28 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Dondorfer?

29 MR. DONDORFER: Yes.

30 MS. DAWSON: Mr. McIntosh?

1 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Yes.

2 MR. DONDORFER: Okay. Mr. Chairman, I will make a
3 motion to approve Fire Department conditional offer of
4 employment to Anthony Illiano Jr., part-time firefighter/EMT
5 basic, pending background check and physical.

6 MS. LUCCI: I second.

7 MR. DONDORFER: I am happy about that. It's a nice
8 young man. I've known him growing up and it's great to see
9 him join the Concord Township team.

10 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. All in favor?

11 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

12 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Motion carries.

13 MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move to approve the, to
14 set the mailbox barricade installation fee at \$50.

15 MR. DONDORFER: I will second.

16 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And all in favor?

17 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

18 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: We just need to read these.

19 MS. DAWSON: I can do it.

20 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Mrs. Dawson, would you please
21 read the items voted on at the staff meeting.

22 MS. DAWSON: I would be delighted, Mr. McIntosh.

23 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

24 MS. DAWSON: Item Number 1, approved conditional
25 offer of employment to Jason Baxter, facility attendant,
26 pending preemployment screening. Mr. Dondorfer moved to
27 approve the conditional or offer of employment to Jason
28 Baxter, facility attendant, pending preemployment screening.
29 Mrs. Lucci seconded. The vote was three ayes.

30 Number 2, approved conditional offer of employment

1 to Kelly Barthol, facility attendant, pending preemployment
2 screening. Mr. Dondorfer moved to approve conditional offer
3 of employment to Kelly Barthol, facility attendant, pending
4 preemployment screening. Mrs. Lucci seconded. The vote was
5 three ayes.

6 Number 3, approve a conditional offer of employment
7 to Tracy Butler, program coordinator, pending preemployment
8 screening. Mr. Dondorfer moved to approve conditional offer
9 of employment to Tracy Butler, program coordinator, pending
10 preemployment screening. Mrs. Lucci seconded. The vote was
11 three ayes.

12 Then there was the executive session for the
13 purposes of considering economic development pursuant to ORC
14 121.22(G)(8)(a) and (b). Mrs. Lucci moved to enter into
15 executive session for the purposes of considering economic
16 development pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(8)(a) and (b).
17 Mr. Dondorfer seconded. The roll call vote: Mrs. Lucci, yes;
18 Mr. Dondorfer, yes; Mr. McIntosh, yes.

19 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Do you want to just keep going
20 with the meetings and announcements?

21 MS. DAWSON: Thank you, Mr. McIntosh. Future
22 meetings and announcements:

23 On October 11th, we'll be closed in observance of
24 Columbus Day.

25 On the 13th of October, 7:00 p.m., we have Board of
26 Zoning Appeals meeting here in Town Hall.

27 October 10th -- I am sorry -- October 19th, at
28 5:00 p.m., the Bicentennial Committee planning meeting will be
29 held at the Community Center.

30 On October 20th, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., trustee

1 office hours in the conference room; and at 7:30 p.m., trustee
2 meeting here at Town Hall. That's what I have.

3 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. Okay. With that, I
4 will -- Not too bad, got a lot of ground covered in an hour
5 and eight minutes.

6 MR. DONDORFER: Got a lot done today.

7 MS. LUCCI: Yeah, we did.

8 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. With that, we will
9 conclude tonight's meeting. Thank you.

10 MR. DONDORFER: Good evening.

11 MS. LUCCI: Thank you.

12 (Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.)

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3 I, Melinda A. Melton, Registered Professional
4 Reporter, a notary public within and for the State of Ohio,
5 duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that, to
6 the best of my ability, the foregoing proceeding was
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8 transcribed into typewritten manuscript; and that the
9 foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of said
10 proceedings so taken as aforesaid.

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 15th day of November
19 2021.

20 Melinda A. Melton

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26 February 4, 2023

