

FRENCHTOWN T O D A Y

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF FRENCHTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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Building	Press 5
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(734) 289-1015

Fire (Non-Emergency)

(734) 241-8853

FIRE (Emergency) 911

Recreation (734) 243-1732

Resort District Authority

(734) 289-2537

Senior Citizens Center

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from the supervisor's desk

by Lisa Hammar

Alan (Al) VanWashenova, Supervisor

WELCOME SPRING 2023! While the ice storm of February will not soon be forgotten, Spring is finally here, and we can begin to look forward to warmer weather. Nature is waking up and being reborn. Birds are singing and trees and flowers are growing. It's time to say goodbye to the winter blues as the days grow longer and the sunshine warmer. The planting season has begun as homeowners start planning flower beds and vegetable gardens and tractors become a common site as farmers begin working the fields. As you start your spring clean-up, take the time to look in on your neighbors and lend a helping hand and spread a sunny smile. Remember smiles cost nothing to give but are priceless to receive!



trash service

Stevens Disposal is the company Frenchtown Charter Township has contracted with to provide rubbish and yard waste collection services. **Each Stevens trash cart has a serial number linked with the parcel address and is the property of Stevens Disposal.** These carts are meant to stay with the property to which they were distributed and are not to be removed from the premises. Missing carts are the financial responsibility of the homeowner and will not be replaced without a police report. Each address is allotted one cart. Additional carts may be rented annually through Stevens Disposal 1 (800) 779-0344.

- ▶ **Please set trash carts out the night before your scheduled pick-up day.**
- ▶ Please remove carts from the road's edge once they are emptied. This will help avoid possible theft, damage to the carts and it will give the streets a clean appearance.
- ▶ Remember to place the trash carts three (3) feet off the road and not on the paved shoulder. Where there is a white pavement marking, carts need to be placed three (3) feet in from the end of the driveway.
- ▶ The **BROWN** former Republic carts are to be used for garbage only and the **BLUE** former Republic carts can be used for yard waste and will not be emptied if filled with trash.

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bulk items

If you have large items that do not fit in your container, we need a minimum of 24 hours' notice to schedule a bulk pick up. Please be mindful of township holidays that fall before a bulk pickup day as this may affect the schedule. **You may contact Lisa @ 734-242-3282 ext.3 to arrange for the collection of bulk items.**

- Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioning units and dehumidifiers must have freon removed and certified tagged by HVAC company. Prohibited items: Yard waste, concrete, brick, blocks, asphalt, dirt and stone, tires, wheels, brake rotors and drums, metal, or steel automotive parts (including seats), oils, stain, and solvents (considered hazardous waste), and no propane or helium tanks/cylinders.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION WILL BEGIN

April 1, 2023 – November 30, 2023.

- Yard waste should be placed curbside, apart from your household trash, the night before your scheduled trash service day.
- Blue Carts** with Yard Waste Only stickers, smaller old style garbage cans with Yard Waste Only stickers and leaf bags are all able to be used for Yard Waste pick-up when it starts in the spring.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

Trash pickup will run one day late the week of Memorial Day—May 31.

road information & projects

- A private road is defined as a road that has not been certified and maintained by the County or the State.
- All signage, pavement marking and maintenance on private roads are the responsibility of the adjacent Property Owners or a Property Owners Association.
- The Township cannot lawfully expend public sums on improvements to private roads.
- Information on road and bridge closures in Monroe County can be found on the MDOT website: <https://mdotjboss.state.mi.us/MiDrive/construction>

street light outages

Please call (734) 242-3282, option 3 to report a streetlight out with the following information:

- Location (address or corner streets): **an address is needed to report.** Pole # if available.
- Once reported, it may take 7 to 10 business days for DTE to service.

in closing

We try very hard to follow up on any concerns or grievances that are reported to the Township offices. The entire Frenchtown team always has your best interests in mind and will work continuously to resolve issues and address any questions.

On behalf of the Supervisor's Department and all of us at Frenchtown Charter Township, I wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable spring.



Culver's Restaurant is open for business.
Love their onion rings!

Did you know that Chick-Fil-A serves breakfast? Opened Dec. 1, 2021.

Wing Stop is open on Telegraph Road —
Love the Cajun corn!

Did you know that the Circle K on Monroe Street has a car wash?

Spring and baseball go together:
sign up season has begun through the Recreation Department.

Check out the Mall of Monroe!
There are many new stores to see that are joining some of your favorites.

Frenchtown is bustling and your elected officials are always available for any question or concerns — just call or stop in!



treasurer's office update

by Julie Ellison, Treasurer

Hello from the Treasurer's Office!

Hope this newsletter finds you all healthy and safe! We are all doing well in the Treasurer's Office.

The acceptance of credit card payments for water and tax bills has been well received. There are fees attached to using this service. The card holder must be present with their photo ID for all credit/debit card transactions. If you should have any questions, please feel free to call the office.

As promised, online bill payment is up and running. Please note there are fees associated with online bill payments. Please follow the instructions below when making a payment on a personal computer:

- ▶ Visit our **website homepage**: www.frenchtownchartertp.org.
- ▶ Scroll down and click on the **BS&A Online** website link.
- ▶ On the left-hand side of the page under **Services** click **Current Tax Payments** or **Utility Billing Payments**.
- ▶ Search for your bill by **name, address, or parcel number**. Please note when searching by address only enter the **street number** as street names may appear differently in the program.
- ▶ Choose your property and click **Make a Payment**.
- ▶ Enter payment information and click **Continue**.
- ▶ Check the box to **Agree to Terms and Conditions**.
- ▶ Click **Submit Payment**.

If you're using your **smart phone** to make a payment, please use these instructions:

- ▶ Click on the **BS&A Online** website link on our home page at www.frenchtownchartertp.org.
- ▶ Click on the **Services** tab at the top of the **BSA online** website.
- ▶ Click **Online Payments** and choose **Current Tax Payments** or **Utility Billing Payments**.
- ▶ Search for your bill by **name, address, or parcel number**. Please note when searching by address only

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clerk's office update

by Kyle Bryant, Clerk

Greetings from your local Clerk's office. We pride ourselves on a strong core belief: WE WORK FOR YOU. I was elected to serve you and I would love to hear your thoughts, concerns, and ideas. It is my utmost priority to make sure I am reflecting your interests and priorities. I encourage residents to reach out at our office line: (734) 242-5800 or email at kyle@frenchtownmi.gov.

Recycling: The Frenchtown Recycling center in the Mall of Monroe parking lot on the Phoenix Theaters side is operational every Wednesday from 7:00am-3:00pm. A Frenchtown employee will be on site to ensure proper recycling procedures are followed. Materials are to be separated into three different (labeled) bins. One for cardboard and the other two for plastic, paper, and tin in the other. A detailed image of acceptable material can be found in this article on **page 10**. We are actively looking into improvements to the site including ideas like expanding operational hours, but we need your feedback to make that happen. For those interested in Curbside recycling services, we are currently working on a subscription-based service. For more information about curbside, please call or email the Clerk's office.

Elections: The May 2nd Special Election is coming up fast and we are excited for another opportunity to ensure the integrity and security of another Frenchtown Election. We've



recruited an all-star team of election inspectors comprised of members of both major political parties and look forward to seeing you at the polls. If you'd like to serve as an inspector, applications are available at the Clerk's office. For those interested in voting absentee, applications are available online or at the Clerk's office during business hours. If you're unsure of where to vote or would like to see your sample ballot, check out the Michigan Voter Information Center at <https://mVIC.sos.state.mi.us/> or call us for assistance. We encourage anyone with questions or concerns about the Election process to come down to the Clerk's office and we will happily provide information

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notes from the resort district authority

by Larry Smith, Director

Marcia Siddall, our current Administrative Assistant, has elected to leave the RDA to devote more time to her real estate profession. Her friendly smile and manner was a joy to the office and all who she had contact with. We thank her for the nine year service to the district, and wish her well in her future endeavors.

We welcome **Janae Jones** to the RDA Administrative Assistant position and look forward to working with her. If you are in the area, stop in the office and say hello.

This past year saw completion of microsurfacing ~37.5 miles of district roads improving drivability and extending the useful life of the road surface. This year a formal evaluation of the roads in the district will be conducted, assessing effectiveness of the Pavement Asset Management Program in achieving the desired results and identifying a plan going



Marcia Siddall



Janae Jones

forward to ensure the roads in the district remain in good condition.

The district also launched last year, the design work for the next seawall project and is nearing completion. Public and property owner meetings are commencing. It is hoped that the project can be submitted to the regulatory agencies for approval in early 2023 and available for bidding, in mid to late 2023.

With Lake Erie levels slowly returning to long time levels, an inspection was conducted to determine the impact of the high water levels on the district earthen berm flood protection. Minor repairs are indicated with holes created by varmints seeking higher ground, the major problem. Repairs are planned for late spring/early summer.

The ice storm in February caused a lot of tree damage due to the excessive weight built up on the limbs. The area was strewn with fallen tree limbs. The RDA mobilized our contractor, and with the help of residents pulling fallen limbs to the roadside (Thank You!), the blight was quickly cleaned up and then the contractor followed up by removing "hangers" from trees posing safety hazards.

Stay safe and healthy as we look forward to a fruitful and productive 2023.

Treasurer's Office continued from page 3...



enter the **street number** as **street names** may appear differently in the program.

- ▶ Choose your property and click **Make a Payment**.
- ▶ Enter payment information and click **Continue**.
- ▶ Check the box to **Agree to Terms and Conditions**.
- ▶ Click **Submit Payment**.

Summer Tax Bills will be mailed the last week of June and will be payable beginning July 1st through September 14th without penalty or interest.

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about how Elections are conducted in Frenchtown.

Economic Development: If you haven't noticed, new businesses are beating down the door to come to Frenchtown, thanks to a revamped Building Department led by Gary Dahl and Dave Uhl. As advertised, they've made good on their promise to make processes streamlined for homeowners and business owners alike. They want to be proactive on bringing diverse and viable business to our community and welcome your input. It is YOUR Township, reach out to Economic Development Director Uhl at duhl@frenchtownmi.gov and let him know what you would like to see come to Frenchtown. Our goal is responsible development, bringing business to the areas where it belongs while making sure we preserve the rural nature of Frenchtown that our residents love. We look forward to seeing Frenchtown continue to grow.



Sunshine, warm weather, blooming flowers and trees all herald the beginning of the busy season for the Building Department. I'm sure you have already noticed exciting changes, under the guidance of our new Building Official Gary Dahl and Development/Safety Director Dave Uhl. Improvements to the urban landscape are happening and will continue to unfold. Feel free to stop by the Building Department any time if you have an interest in learning more. We have an open-door policy and welcome your ideas and feedback. Property owners if you are interested in developing your land and have questions or ideas, please feel free to contact us. There have been some changes to the ordinance and our procedures, so we are more than happy to assist with your ideas for growth, expansion, and development. We are here to help make things happen!

If you have been to any meetings lately you may be aware that our Zoning Ordinance is being overhauled. Some items under discussion for potential changes include regulations regarding height of and/or lot size for accessory structures, landscaping requirements for commercial property and overall changes to assist in streamlining our processes in general. While on the topic of Ordinances, please note, General Ordinance, **Blight ordinance No. 146 and Noxious Weed and Grass Control Ordinance No. 206** are posted on our website. Violations are currently being handled on a complaint basis. For any blight or tall grass concerns feel free to utilize the website link to file a complaint <https://www.frenchtownmi.gov/building/> or call the Building Department directly and ask for **Howard Storey**. He is here to assist with compliance and to encourage neighbors to work towards keeping our Township beautiful. Grass cutting season begins **May 1st** and by our Ordinance the Township is required to only give notice once in writing. After that, a lawn cutting service may be sent as many times as needed to cut a property and the cost is put on an owner's taxes.

Since spring has most homeowners emerging from homes to enjoy warmer weather, cleaning, organizing, maybe starting some projects, we would like to remind residents to please reach out to our Clerical Staff or the Building Official to check on any requirements. Some changes to your property may not be permitted due to stipulations of the Township Zoning Ordinances and this will head off any potential problems. The Township Ordinance is in the process of being revised and updated so things may change in the future, but it never hurts to give us a shout to see what is permitted before you spend your hard-earned dollars on something only to find out you are going to have to remove it, or potential incur fines.

from the building department

by Carmen Froehlich

We are here to help and we thank you in advance for your cooperation. For your convenience, fillable printable permit applications are available on our website. You may print them to drop off or send them by mail. There is also a drop box located by the front door. Please do not put any cash inside the drop box.

Attention homeowners and contractors!!! Mark your calendars for **May 8th through the 12th** as we are once again celebrating Building Week and if you are doing the following work the permits are free! You must have them submitted during these dates to qualify.

FREE PERMITS !!!

Flat Cement Work, Roofing, Siding, Windows

Contractors, we ask that you please remember to pass on these savings to homeowners. There is also a special day for contractors on **May 12th from 11:00-1:00 pm**. The Township would like to show appreciation and have an opportunity for open communication. Look for posting on details. There will be free food!

Homeowners we would like to remind you when hiring a contractor please make sure you do some research. Check them out, are they registered to pull permits with the Township? Are they licensed and insured? Do they have a good rating? Did the cost of permit fees get included in the contract, or is that considered a separate cost? Ask for a copy of the permit or call the Township to make sure a permit was pulled if required. You may want to consider holding off making that final payment for the job if the project has not received a final inspection. Your contractor should be contacting the Township to schedule any required inspections to make sure things are done correctly and everything is in working order. Once all inspection requirements have been satisfied and a green approval sticker is placed on the job by one of our licensed building inspectors you can complete your payment for the work.

If you have any questions concerning Zoning, Building, Property Maintenance or Occupancy, please feel free to contact the Frenchtown Charter Township Building Department at (734) 242-5900 and we will make every effort to help you with your concerns.



Ashley Liford

library news

by Paula Sandefur

If you have gone into the Frenchtown-Dixie Branch in the past year, you may have noticed some unfamiliar, new staff members working. One of our newest staff members is **Ashley Liford**. In April of 2022, Ashley accepted the position of Community Librarian of the three Frenchtown Area Branches.

Ashley started working for the Monroe County Library System in 2002 as a Page. After graduating from high school, she worked part-time and then shortly after that she began working full-time as a Circulation Clerk while attending college. She earned her Associate's Degree from Monroe County Community College, a Bachelor's Degree from Siena Heights and then her Master's Degree in Library and Information Science from Wayne State University.

After earning her degree, Ashley took a position in the Reference Department at the Ellis Library and Reference Center and later worked in the Bedford Reference Department. When a position opened for a Community Librarian at the Summerfield-Petersburg Branch Library, she was eager to start another chapter in her life. As the Community Librarian at the Summerfield-Petersburg branch, she



would oversee the daily operations of the building and supervise the staff. She was responsible for programming, the branch book club and running the desk most of the time.

Ashley's current office is at the Frenchtown-Dixie Branch but she likes to spend time in all three branches. She prefers to work the desk so that she can interact with patrons. Throughout her career with the Monroe County Library System, she has met a lot of people and a lot of those people have become friends. Some of those friends have become like family. One thing she likes about working for the Monroe County Library System is that every day is different. Another thing that she likes to do is help people, whether it is filling out a job application or finding the answer to a question. Ashley is also a Notary Public. If you need to have something notarized, please call the library, (734) 289-1035, to check for her availability.

Ashley is excited to start a once-a-month device drop-in. This will be held at the Frenchtown-Dixie Library on the third Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. If you need some help with your phone, laptop or tablet, stop by the branch with your device on those days and she will work with you to help figure out your device issues. Please be sure to view the MCLS event calendar, at mymcls.com for other programs at the Frenchtown Area Libraries and throughout the Monroe County Library System. We hope to see you soon!

frenchtown center for active adults

by Paul Iacoangeli, Executive Director

I am excited to tell you that things started on excellent footing as we quickly approach the official beginning of spring 2023.

Your adult activity center has been busting at the seams. We saw more activity in the first two months of this new year than in the first four and a half months of last year. Our lunch program has almost doubled from last year. The number of folks attending our social events has skyrocketed. Many of you may remember the Saturday Night Live Schwarzenegger-esque brothers Hans & Franz

and their famous phrase, "We're here to PUMP, You UP," not to mention the added humiliation they doled out on those selective Saturday evenings. The fitness classes Kathleen, Lisa, Cheryl, and Jackie offer strengthen bones and muscles, help manage weight, reduce the risk of disease, and improve your ability to do everyday activities. They do it in such a way that people keep coming back for more. While these classes are provided as part of your yearly membership, we encourage folks to check with their doctor before starting one of our exercise programs. More fitness activities are coming this spring with Pickle Ball, Bocce Ball, Walk Fit, and Gardening in the Courtyard. If interested, please see Lisa.

Like many in our general service area, we lost power twice in just as many weeks. The outages came when preparations had been completed for such an event. Thankfully, our Generac generator is in place, and the installation completed at the beginning of February. Having experi-

frenchtown assessing department

by Christina Morse

Happy Spring from Assessing!

March board of review decision notices will arrive in June. If you are a Veteran or Surviving Spouse who qualifies for the Disabled Veterans Exemption, it can be granted at the July or December Board of Review for the 2023 year.

May 1st is the deadline for the Qualified Agricultural Exemption and Active Military Principal Residence Exemption. Claim for Farmland (Qualified Agricultural) Exemption from Some School Operating Taxes is to be filed in our office if the property is NOT classified agricultural or if the Assessor asks an owner to file it to determine whether the property includes structures that are not exempt. Active-Duty Military Affidavit allows military personnel to retain a PRE for up to three years if they rent or lease their principal residence while away on active duty.

May 31st is the deadline for commercial and industrial



properties to make their appeals to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

June 1st is the deadline for the Principal Residence Exemption for the summer taxes levied.

Be sure to say “hello” as you see us out and about as the weather warms. We reinspect 20% of properties in our town annually to ensure the most up-to-date records are available and assessments are uniform for each resident in our community.

If you have any questions related to Property Assessments, Exemptions, Property Transfers, or general Assessing questions Christina and Lisa would be happy to assist you (734) 242-8588! You can also make an appointment with the Deputy Assessor

of V&V Assessing, Kathryn Wright, available in office on Thursdays and throughout the week via phone (907) 750-2012. Edward K VanderVries, CEO of V&V Assessing, LLC, is available via phone and scheduled appointments (269) 720-1928.

Active Adults continued from page 6...

enced extended power outages, the generator purchase to power the kitchen appliances and lights in the dining area proved its worth. Because of supply chain issues, it was a 19-month ordeal, but it was worth the wait. Kim was able to cook omelets, and the ping pong players were able to play a few games. Through the generosity of others and Kim’s watchful eye for sales, our freezers are commonly full. Without the generator, we would have been in a world of hurt food-wise. Many folks told me they had to throw all their food away because they were without power for so long.

Another new addition to the facility is the sliding entrance doors. After watching our more mature members struggle

with our manually activated power doors, I approached the township board for help. When I explained the troubles folks were having and the solutions we had tried that didn’t work, they didn’t hesitate to address the issue. Even though it took eight months for the doors to arrive, almost everyone felt it was worth it. When you get a chance, thank the township board for the new doors on our behalf.



Enjoy your spring, and don’t forget we have many different opportunities for you to put an additional

spring in your step. So, in those legendary words of Bob Barker, “Come on Down” and join us.





frenchtown fire department



by Wendy Stevens, Fire Chief

Fingers crossed; spring has sprung! I imagine you are as relieved as we are to change seasons. It was quite a winter, we experienced ice storms, snow squalls, strong winds. In fact, I'd say we had a bit of everything this past season. Like many Frenchtown residents, our Station 1 was affected during the power outage that lasted a week. Thanks to the generosity of a local business, we were up and running on generator power within a day. We are also very grateful to the DTE employees, both local and throughout the state, for their tireless efforts to return us to power. We as a Department know what it is like to be on the frontlines of a distressing event, we are grateful for their commitment to bring us back the electricity we greatly rely upon.

If you were one of the homes suffering from large amounts of brush and branches, please call us for a burn permit. Fire Inspector Maddox assists residents with burn permits and instructing people on the proper way to burn, and how to stay within the boundaries of the burning ordinance. Inspector Maddox can be reached at (734) 289-1095 between the hours of 8 am - 4 pm. Open burning season begins April 15th and ends on April 30, you must continue to abide by our Townships Outdoor Burning Regulation Ordinance found here <https://www.frenchtownmi.gov/wp-content/uploads/GeneralOrdinances/FCT.ordinance.175.pdf>.

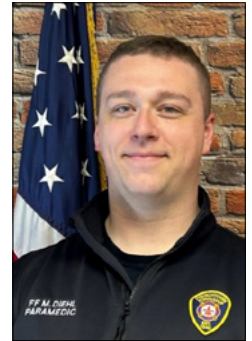
We finished 2022 with just under 4000 calls for service, we don't see that number diminishing in the future. We are currently at a much higher call volume than we were at this time last year. 2022 saw an increase in medical calls for service and a few less water/ice rescues.

Our three probationary firefighters are nearing or have already completed their one-year probationary period. FF Chase Baldwin is the first to complete our new and updated training process. FF Baldwin passed his 3-, 6-, 9- and 11-month Fire and EMS tests. He has proved to be a valuable asset to our department, and we are excited to remove "Probationary" from his title. Congratulations Chase, we are celebrating with you for your accomplishments.



FF Chase Baldwin

We are also excited to celebrate our newest licensed Paramedic Instructor Coordinator FF Matt Diehl. FF Diehl completed six months of course lecture and performed 30 hours of student teaching. Followed by successfully completing the MDHHS Emergency Medical Services licensing test. Congratulations, FF Diehl, well done.



FF Matt Diehl

With the change in seasons, we are going back to outdoor training, we have exhausted our indoor props and scenarios. Marine vessel and water rescue, fire engine evolutions, and vehicle fires and extrications are a few on our spring list. We are also working to bring in some much-needed training on electric vehicles. These electric vehicles pose an entirely different risk and a need for a new set of skills



The Frenchtown Water Department is in the process of purchasing a Plug Hug. This incredible fire hydrant cleaning system will remove old paint, grime and dirt from our fire hydrants, and they will be re-painted. The fire department will then grease the threads and caps, and flow water through the hydrants to ensure proper operation. There are just under 1700 municipal hydrants, this process will take an extended amount time. Please do not plant flowers or bushes near the hydrants, they will be damaged in the process.

In closing, please keep in mind our Stations are open for tours. We love to assist scouts with earning their badges. Additionally, some of our members are American Heart Association CPR instructors, their information can be shared if your organization needs training.



frenchtown water department

by Rich Weirich



The Water Department has some exciting projects moving into 2023 construction season. We are hoping to complete a large water main loop on Cole Road to help provide fire flow projection for the system. We are also taking a huge initiative to repair, rehab and paint a lot of systems hydrants. We have a bunch of hydrants that need a face lift. We have also purchased a PLUG HUG device to help with the cleaning and prepping of the hydrant. The device will work as a giant wire brush to safely clean the hydrant.



As part of this project, we will be installing Storz fittings on the front nozzle of the hydrants. This device allows the Fire Department valuable time to help fight a fire. We are excited to work with the Fire Department to help provide a safer Township system for everyone.

Please remember if you should have any questions about any of this newsletter update or any questions about your water feel free to call the Water Plant at (734) 289-1015.



Just as a reminder,
we have our online WATER DEPT
payments system set up at
www.frenchtowntownship.org.

Please make sure you
ONLY go to that website to make your
payments! We have had customers make
payments at other websites, but we
never received the payments.
Please only use our website.

If you should have any questions
for the Water Department,
please feel free to call us at (734) 289-1015.

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ACCEPTABLE MATERIAL GUIDELINES

PLEASE Save these guidelines for future reference

PAPER		METAL	PLASTIC
 <p>Cardboard & Paper Bags Flatten cardboard & cut into pieces</p>	 <p>Junk Mail Envelopes, flyers, postcards etc.</p>	 <p>*Steel & Tin Cans Empty cans only</p>	 <p>*Plastic Jugs/Bottles (#1 & #2)</p>
 <p>Paperboard No wax coated paperboard</p>	 <p>Newspaper Remove bags, strings and rubber bands</p>	 <p>*Aluminum Cans Empty cans only</p>	
 <p>Magazines & Catalogs All types & sizes</p>	 <p>Office Paper All types and sizes</p>	 <p>Kitchen Cookware Metal pots, pans, tins & utensils</p>	
 <p>Phone Books All types and sizes</p>	<p>Please visit www.stevensdisposal.com for more information about recycling.</p> <p>Please rinse/clean containers before putting into recycling bin/Toter can.</p>		

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Paper Milk or Juice Cartons(Wax Coated)
- Styrofoam Containers/ Packing
- Garbage
- Compost Food Waste
- Propane Tanks
- Paint Cans
- Medical Waste* (Syringes/Needles)
- Batteries
- Flammable Liquids
- Household Cleaners
- Chemicals (Dry or Liquid)
- Wood Items
- Concrete
- Garden Hose/Rubber
- Electrical Cords
- Tires
- Plastic Grocery/Retail Bags
- Plastics #3 and up
- All Glass

*Please help protect our workers... WE DO NOT ACCEPT SYRINGES OR NEEDLES. 



frenchtown recreation department

by Phil Coyle, Parks and Recreation Director

Spring is here, which means our parks will soon be filled with activities and residents will be getting out to enjoy the sun. On April 8th, we held our annual Easter Egg Hunt at Kiwanis Park.

It was a great turn out, kids enjoyed the day finding eggs, winning prizes and hanging out with the Easter Bunny.

Great events like these would not be possible without the support from local small businesses and the Township's board. If your business/organization would like to participate in future events or donate items to these great events please feel free to contact us.



Our parks are in the spring clean-up phase, preparing all the amenities to be enjoyed. The tennis court at Park 3 is scheduled for repair this spring and will add two pickleball courts to the layout. The courts at the Township will now have official pickleball and tennis nets. In addition to that, we are adding concrete cornhole boards at Park 3 and the Township Park. In an effort to keep the parks beautiful and as a simple common courtesy to others, please be sure to

keep your dog(s) on their leashes at all times and always remember to **pick up after them** whenever they do their business. There are waste stations at each park. Just as a reminder that the Township has three parks, **Kiwanis Park** (2775 Nadeau Road), **Township Park** (2744 Vivian Road) and **Park 3** (2277 Stewart Road).

If you are interested in renting the Hall at Kiwanis Park or a pavilion at the other two parks, please contact the Clerks office at (734) 242-5800 or stop by the Township Hall.

We are always here to listen to your ideas and critiques to better improve the amenities we do have. We welcome you to attend our Recreation

Commission meetings. Listed below are the dates for these meetings.

To stay up to date on future events, follow us on our Facebook page at Frenchtown Township Parks & Recreation, the Township's website and here in the Township's newsletter. Feel free to call or email as well: (734) 243-1732 or (734) 430-2827, phil@frenchtownmi.gov.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

Community Easter Party
Registrations for Youth Baseball/Softball

MAY

Send Volleyball Leagues Registration
Kids Day Camp Registration

JUNE - AUGUST

Golf Lessons
Tennis/Pickleball Lessons

Recreation Commission Meetings:

Meetings are held at the Senior Activity Center on Vivian Road next to the Township Hall at 6:00 pm.

Meetings will be held the first Tuesday of February, April, June, August, October and December.

Meetings are open to Frenchtown residents!

Lots of great things happening in Frenchtown today!

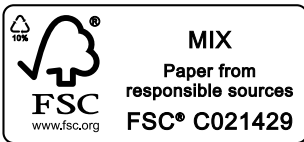
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2023 township meetings schedule



All meetings will be held at the Frenchtown Charter Township Hall, 2744 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan; except the Recreation Commission which will meet at the Frenchtown Recreation Center at 2786 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan.

township board

- 2nd Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
- 3rd Tuesday 3:00 p.m.
- 4th Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

planning commission

- 1st Thursday (as needed) 7:00 p.m.
- 3rd Thursday 7:00 p.m.

zoning board of appeals

- 2nd Wednesday (as needed)..... 7:00 p.m.

recreation commission

- 1st Tuesday (as needed)..... 7:00 p.m.

resort district authority

- 2nd Wednesday..... 3:00 p.m.