

# FRENCHTOWN T O D A Y

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF FRENCHTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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**(734) 242-3282**

Water (Billing).....	Press 1
Treasurer .....	Press 2
Supervisor .....	Press 3
Clerk.....	Press 4
Building .....	Press 5
Assessing.....	Press 6

Water Plant / Emergency  
(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  
(734) 243-6210

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Monroe, Michigan 48162

Monday - Friday

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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## from the supervisor's desk

by Alan (Al) VanWashenova, Supervisor

### HAPPY SPRING!!!

Now that the weather is changing to warmer temperatures it is a perfect time to get outside, pick up the yard, plant flowers and gardens. These quick, easy and relatively inexpensive actions help to make your home and our community a beautiful place to live. Please be thoughtful, courteous, and kind to help those who are not able. Let's help our neighbors by bringing garbage carts to and from the road, help them with yard work, or plant some flowers.



## trash service

Stevens Disposal is the company Frenchtown Charter Township has contracted with to provide rubbish and yard waste collection services. Stevens' trash carts are the property of Stevens Disposal and are meant to stay with the property at which they were distributed and are not to be removed from the premises.

**BROWN CARTS = GARBAGE ONLY**

**BLUE CARTS = YARD WASTE ONLY**

- ▶ **Please set trash carts out the night before your scheduled trash service day and no sooner.**
- ▶ 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.
- ▶ Please be sure that the Republic Logo and name have been spray painted over on the Republic Carts only.
- ▶ 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.
- ▶ Place the carts at least four feet from a mailbox, fence post or vehicle.
- ▶ To avoid having paper and other debris coming from the trash trucks,

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please remember to bag your loose trash items in trash bags before placing them in the trash carts.

- ▶ **Prohibited items:** Liquid filled containers of any kind, building/construction material i.e., wood, brick, concrete, asphalt, rocks, automotive parts and tires, hazardous waste materials. Refrigeration units must have freon removed and tagged by a licensed technician.

Holiday Schedule for trash and yard waste pickup will run one day late the week with these dates

Memorial Day — May 30  
Independence Day — July 4

## bulk items

Bulk items must be scheduled prior to pick up, contact (734) 242-3282, opt 3 to arrange a bulk pick up. Please do not set bulk items curbside until the day before your bulk pick up day. To find out what your bulk pick up day is please see the BULK SCHEDULE below.

## new bulk schedule

REGULAR SERVICE DAY	BULK SERVICE DAY
MONDAY	TUESDAY
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	THURSDAY
FRIDAY	
If you have any questions or comments regarding your scheduled trash day or your bulk service day, please contact (734) 242-3282, opt. 3	

### DID YOU KNOW?

Bulk service requests must be arranged with Stevens Disposal prior to your scheduled bulk service day. You may schedule a bulk service request by contacting us at (734) 242-3282, opt. 3 or by contacting Stevens Disposal directly at (800) 779- 0344.

### BULK REQUEST GUIDELINES:

- ▶ Stevens Disposal will need to know what items you are setting out. i.e., need to know size of mattress and box spring, what kind of couch – sectional, hideaway bed, love seat, regular couch, etc.

- ▶ Lumber/wood must have nails & screws removed, must be no more than four foot in length and bundled with twine or tape in bundles no more than two feet in diameter.
- ▶ Carpet and padding must be rolled and bound by tape or twine, no more than four feet in length and two feet in diameter.
- ▶ Windows, mirrors and doors, glass must be removed and put in small cardboard box taped shut and labeled as broken glass.
- ▶ Push lawn mowers and grills must have gas tanks removed and oil removed.
- ▶ 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.

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## yard waste collection

April 1, 2022 – November 30, 2022

Yard waste is 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.

## street light outages

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

- ▶ Pole number
- ▶ Type of pole (metal or wood)
- ▶ Location (address or corner streets)
- ▶ Once reported, it may take 7 -10 business day for DTE to service.

## closing

The entire Township staff always has your best interests in mind and continues to work very hard to resolve issues and address your concerns.



# from the editor

by Chris Collins, Editor

On behalf of the Frenchtown Township Board of Trustees and the entire Newsletter team, it is my sincere hope that you, the residents of Frenchtown are safe and well while you are reading this early-spring edition of your Frenchtown community newsletter.

It is indeed a privilege to serve as the Editor of this quarterly communication and I would personally like to thank each of our article submission authors in making my job that much better. I would also like to thank our newsletter layout designer, Bridget McBride at [www.spotteddogcreative.com](http://www.spotteddogcreative.com) along with [www.metzgers.com](http://www.metzgers.com) who provides all the printings and subsequent mailings. Frankly, it could

not be accomplished without each and every one of you. Finally, and most importantly, I would also like to take this opportunity to thank each of our readers and residents for taking the time to read the newsletter and for providing the overwhelmingly positive feedback.

This newsletter is intended to serve everyone within our community and we are always looking for ways to improve, but your help and support is essential. If you have any ideas or suggestions for improvements please email your comments to me: [chris@frenchtownchartertwp.org](mailto:chris@frenchtownchartertwp.org). I look forward to hearing from you and I will do my very best to incorporate your suggestions in future issues. Thank you, and have a wonderful spring.



# notes from the resort district authority

by Larry Smith, Director

I hope this article finds you healthy and well and recovering from the social norms of distancing and wearing masks, etc. necessitated by the Coronavirus pandemic. The RDA office is open and back to normal operations.

### The Board for 2022 is as follows:

#### Chairman

Molly Luempert-Coy (Industry Representative)

#### Vice Chairman

Gary Klemz (Township Representative)

#### Secretary

Don Rushlow (Resident Representative)

#### Treasurer

Brian Dotson (Resident Representative)

#### Member

Chris Collins (Township Representative)

The major problem facing the district continues to be the high water levels of Lake Erie. The lake rose from record low to record high levels in just six years. Record breaking high water levels characterized Lake Erie water levels

in 2019 with the lake level being above its monthly long term average since June 2015, a period of 91 consecutive months. Fortunately, lake levels are currently in the seasonal decline and narrowing the gap above the long term average. The February 2022 average level is a half foot lower than last year at this time and the lowest it's been in the past five years. Let's hope the lake level continues its retreat.

The roads in Dewey's, Stony Point Peninsula and Burke Road have been identified in the pavement Asset Management Plan to be next for resurfacing and therefore have been approved as the **RDA 2022 Micro-surfacing and Pavement Repair Project**. A request for bids has been sent out for the work to be done this summer. Roads will be closed to traffic while the micro surface material dries after application. Depending on the weather, this can take up to four hours. The contractor will notify residents the day before their street is scheduled to be micro surfaced. Please cooperate in staying off the roads when directed by the contractor.



Please stay safe, protecting yourself and others.



## 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 at [www.frenchtownchartertwp.org](http://www.frenchtownchartertwp.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.frenchtownchartertwp.org](http://www.frenchtownchartertwp.org).

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## clerk's office update

by Kyle Bryant, Clerk

Greetings and Happy Spring from the Clerk's office where 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 reflect your interests and priorities. I encourage residents to reach out at our office line: (734) 242-5800 or email me at: [kyle@frenchtownchartertwp.org](mailto:kyle@frenchtownchartertwp.org).

The Frenchtown Recycling center is located in the Mall of Monroe parking lot on the Phoenix Theaters side. It is operational every **Wednesday from 7:00 am – 3:00 pm** and a Frenchtown employee will be on site to ensure proper recycling procedures are followed. Please remember to separate and place your recyclable materials into one of the three different (labeled) bins. There is one bin for cardboard and the other two bins are for paper, plastic and tin. **A detailed image of acceptable material can be found in this article on page 10.** We currently have around 80-90 residents visiting the center each and every week, but we would love to see that number grow substantially. We are actively looking into improvements to the site including ideas like expanding operational hours, but we need your feedback and support to make this happen. Please feel free to reach out at any time via the contact information found above. Additionally, while you are visiting the Mall to drop off your recycling, I encourage you to stop inside and check out some of the awesome new businesses they've brought in. As a community it is important for us to do our part to help all of our local businesses thrive so be sure to buy local as often as you can.

We have some exciting news for all the pet lovers in our community. **Project Second Chance** has moved into the old Jefferson administration building on Dixie Hwy. They are a great non-profit organization that specializes in the rehabilitation of abandoned

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# from the building department

by Joe Lehmann,  
Building Official

Swimming season will be here before you know it! If your family is planning to install a pool this year, please plan ahead. Spring can be a busy time in the building department. To ensure your pool can be installed in a timely manner get your application and site plan in for review as soon as possible.

As the weather changes and residents are starting to come out to enjoy their yards and considering some home improvements, please be aware that some of those projects might require a permit. Depending on the scope of work it may need a Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical or Zoning Permit. Please contact us and we'll be glad to help ensure you start off in the right direction, so your project does not run into any problems.

For your convenience, permit applications and the Township Zoning Ordinance are available on our website at [frenchtowntownship.org](http://frenchtowntownship.org). Permit submissions may be filed in person, by mail or through our drop box located on the outside of the Township entrance for your safety and convenience.

We are currently enforcing the **2015 Michigan Building Codes**. Code books are available for purchase at [shop.iccsafe.org/michigan-discounts?ref=MI](http://shop.iccsafe.org/michigan-discounts?ref=MI). Please remember to call at least 24 hours before all inspections because our inspectors are extremely busy, and their schedules are usually full the day prior.

Commercial businesses please contact our offices regarding Certificate of Occupancy requirements and any other documents needed prior to occupying or utilizing an existing building. We are always here to assist potential business owners in this process for the most successful outcome.

If you have any blight or ordinance enforcement questions, please contact our new Ordinance Enforcement Officers Mr. Howard Storey and Mr. Shane McKart.

Remember the Building Department is here to help both residents and commercial businesses with any projects and to ensure public safety, health, and welfare, insofar as they are affected by building construction, repair, and maintenance. 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.



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or otherwise forgotten dogs sourced from local shelters such as the **Monroe County Humane Society**. In doing so the program also incorporates troubled and/or at-risk youths in the rehabilitation process of these animals. Additionally, they will also offer daycare, overnight lodging, grooming and training for dogs. This project, along with the new **Humane Society** building over on Monroe Street and **Friends of Companion Animals** in front of Detroit beach, makes Frenchtown Township one of the premier locations in Monroe County providing services for our furry friends.

**Election Update:** This is certain to be a big year for elections with a minimum of a **Primary on August 2nd, 2022** followed with the **General Election on November 8th, 2022**. We are looking for help to

work voter precincts so if you have basic computer skills and enjoy working with the public, we'd love to have you join our all-star team! Applications are available at the Clerk's office inside the Township Hall. The Deputy Clerk, Jessica Burt along with Voter Registration Specialist, Mary Kittle, and I are always available to help with any Election based need. We always enjoy answering your questions regarding the election processes and we especially enjoy helping you to get registered and ready to vote. We are here to serve you!



# library news

There are a lot of exciting things going on at your three local Frenchtown Library Branches! Be sure to stop in to one of the branches and say hello. We offer programs for both adults and children. Some programs happen each month and some only occur one time.

The R.A. Vivian Branch Library has a Disney Movie Night, story time with Miss Shannon and Crafternoons for kids and for adults. Additionally, there is: Puzzle in a Day, Third Thursday Special, Exploring with Paint and an Afternoon Read Book Club. You can find out more about all of these programs by visiting [mymcls.com](http://mymcls.com) and clicking on the events tab and then the events calendar for dates and times and also to register.

At the Blue Bush Branch Library, there is a **Sit! Chat! Finish That!** program for adults along with our **Classic Movie Night**, **Life is a Mystery Book Club** and, of course, our **Classic Book Club**. For the kids, there is a Middle School Book Club on Zoom and Miss Liz does her **Paws & Pages** story time that is shared to the Monroe County Library System's Facebook Page on Wednesdays.

The Frenchtown-Dixie Branch Library has a couple of **Take and Make** programs that occur each month. These include a **Puzzle Fun Pack**, a **Crochet Dishcloth Pattern of the Month** and **Flavors of the World**. We have a Tuesday night book club that reads all genres and a **Soup for the Soul Book Club** that reads Inspirational books. We recently started a **Terrific Tuesdays Program** and there will be a new craft each month for adults to make. Miss Shannon also does a story time on Wednesday mornings.

Please mark your calendar for June 3rd for a **Blood Drive** at the Frenchtown-Dixie Branch Library from 9:30-2:30 p.m.

We are very excited about the return of summer reading. Check our events calendar for more details. The theme this summer is **Oceans of Possibilities**. We look forward to seeing you at one of our many programs! Don't forget to check out MY MCLS Showcase program on the MPACT channel or on YouTube after it airs on there.

For more info on programs or branch hours, please call:

Blue Bush Branch (734) 242-4085  
Frenchtown-Dixie Branch (734) 289-1035  
R.A. Vivian Branch (734) 241-1430

# frenchtown center for active adults

by Paul Iacoangeli, Executive Director

While everything has been going well and things have trended towards normalcy, I want to shift my focus. I usually use the space to discuss everything happening at your Center for Active Adults located in the Recreation Center. But first, I want to remind you that activities, events, lunch menu, travel opportunities, including our yearly trip to Mackinaw Island and stay at the Grand Hotel, can be found on our website at [www.frenchtownsenior.com](http://www.frenchtownsenior.com), so check it out.

I want to take this opportunity to tell you what someone new referred to as our "best keep secret," our Dementia Adult Day Care program. This program has been funded primarily by the Area Agency on Aging 1-B and the Monroe County Commission on Aging for over 24 years. In 2019, after modifying their service definitions Area Agency on Aging 1-B, our program satisfied the requirements of the new category to provide care for an older person with dementia.

We offer a compassionate service for older adults with dementia through a structured program of social and rehabilitative, and/or maintenance services in a supportive or group setting other than the participant's home. We provide services to older adults with Alzheimer's or dementia, including personal care, specialized transportation within a fifteen-mile radius, and dementia-specific participant-centered programming. The program structure provides daytime care for any part of the day or extended hours of care five days a week with advance notice. We can arrange for physical and occupational therapy services while participants are at our facility or a beautician to care for their hair needs.

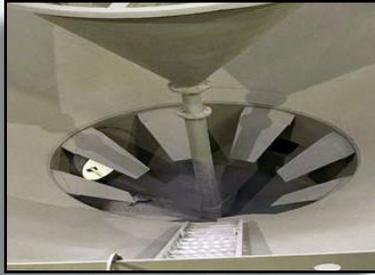
As a non-profit organization, people living in Monroe County can take advantage of our program as an alternative to a long-term care facility. The program allows older adults to age in place, keeping them more active and mentally stimulated. We can say this with a certain level of



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# frenchtown water department

The Water Department has been working through the winter to complete some larger projects before the summer rush. The biggest project is the work on both of our 2-million gallon per day CLARICONES. If you have driven by the Water Plant, you have probably noticed the large equipment in our front yard. The project includes complete sand blasting and repainting of the inside and outside to prevent rust or loss of steel on the CLARICONES. Below are just a couple of pictures as progress is moving along.



Just as a reminder, we have our online payments system set up at [www.frenchtowntownship.org/water](http://www.frenchtowntownship.org/water).

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.

You might notice our staff in your yards more this year, we are trying to get information on backflow devices for lawn sprinkler systems. As we move forward with the State of Michigan Water rules, we will be required to start a residential cross connection program. Look for more details in future newsletters.

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



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confidence due to providing a ratio of one staff to every three participants. With scheduled activities throughout the day, the program has transformed the caregiver and the participants' lives. It provides the much-needed balance of respite for the caregiver and a different form of stimulation and challenge for the participant.

Additionally, the program hours offer the flexibility the caregiver requires, whether for a simple appointment or leave for work for the day. Our program enjoys a good reputation from those we have served over 24 years. Studies have shown that caregivers prefer their loved ones live at home instead of placing them in a long-term care facility. The program improves the quality of life for the caregiver and participant by providing a secure, comfortable, and safe environment that allows the caregiver to work, run errands, go to appointments, or get a much-needed break from 24-hour caregiving.

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# frenchtown fire department



by Wendy Stevens, Fire Chief

Long awaited warmer days and sunshine have made their way back to Frenchtown Township, and we are most certainly excited to get back outdoors! Our training switches from Ice Rescue (brrrrrr) and power points (zzzzz) to pump and hose evolutions, ladder placement, extrication, water and marine training and so much more variety as weather permits.



We are inviting you back into our firehouses for station tours and we have begun planning our annual Open House for this fall. COVID-19 cases are declining,

which is allowing us the opportunity to re-connect with our community – YOU!

The Frenchtown Fire Department’s Year End report was completed for the year 2021, it displays in black and white why you hear sirens and air horns more than ever before. Your firefighters responded to 4,015 incidents in 2021 that is a whopping 831 more requests for service than in the year 2021.



Department, Firefighter Chase Baldwin. FF Baldwin began his career with us just a few short weeks ago and is already an active part of our family.

On the heels of hiring new firefighters, we sadly accepted the retirements of full-time FF Carson Poupard and Paid-on-Call FF Jeremy Farkas. These two firefighters greatly impacted our organization. FF Poupard’s infectious positivity and love of life spilled over on to each one of reminding us to enjoy every day. His love of physical fitness encouraged his shift mates to join him in stair climbing and cardio fitness. He is an active family man and avid hunter and will enjoy spending more time engaging in both.

FF Farkas’s passion and love of his community launched the Frenchtown Firefighters Association (FFA) to new levels. He was the mastermind and driving force behind our gun raffles and partnering with our schools and churches to fill the needs of our residents. Distribution of coats, hats, gloves and school supplies to students; installation of filtered drinking fountains in school buildings and one of his greatest achievements, was the FFA’s substantial donation of sensory items to Sodr Elementary’s sensory room.

Both of these Firefighters will be greatly missed by all and are wished all the best!

With the previously mentioned retirements we have openings for both Full-Time Firefighters and Paid-on-Call Firefighters. If you are looking for an exciting opportunity to give back to your community, please consider joining our Paid-on-Call ranks. We will pay for your education and it provides you with an opportunity to potentially promote to our full-time ranks

As we happily enter into spring and begin working in our yards and gardens, please remember open burning begins April 15 and ends on April 30, with no permit required. After April 30th you need a burn permit to burn your yard waste, please contact Fire Inspector Maddox at 734-289-1095 to secure your burn permit.



Photo credit: Tom Hawley, Monroe Evening News



Photo credit: Tom Hawley, Monroe Evening News



# new kids on the block at frenchtown



Howard Story,  
Ordinance Officer



Lisa Peterson,  
Assessing



Thomas  
McCammon  
Maintenance



Lexi Ellison,  
Deputy Treasurer



Michelle  
Affholter-Ulrich,  
Human Resources



Shane McKart,  
Ordinance Officer



Christine Morse,  
Assessing

We are excited and pleased to welcome our newest Frenchtown employees. They are all very helpful and eager to assist you in any way possible. If you happen to stop by the Township Hall, be sure to say hello and wish them well as they continue their journey here at Frenchtown Township.

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- ▶ 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 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.





# Put more in-the-bin!

AT HOME! AT WORK! AT SCHOOL!



www.stevensdisposal.com

Stevens Disposal & Recycling Services, Inc.  
P.O. Box 500  
Temperance, MI 48182

1-800-779-0344

## ACCEPTABLE MATERIAL GUIDELINES

PLEASE Save these guidelines for future reference

PAPER		METAL	PLASTIC
 <p><b>Cardboard &amp; Paper Bags</b> Flatten cardboard &amp; cut into pieces</p>	 <p><b>Junk Mail</b> Envelopes, flyers, postcards etc.</p>	 <p><b>*Steel &amp; Tin Cans</b> Empty cans only</p>	 <p><b>*Plastic Jugs/Bottles</b> (#1 &amp; #2)</p>
 <p><b>Paperboard</b> No wax coated paperboard</p>	 <p><b>Newspaper</b> Remove bags, strings and rubber bands</p>	 <p><b>*Aluminum Cans</b> Empty cans only</p>	
 <p><b>Magazines &amp; Catalogs</b> All types &amp; sizes</p>	 <p><b>Office Paper</b> All types and sizes</p>	 <p><b>Kitchen Cookware</b> Metal pots, pans, tins &amp; utensils</p>	
 <p><b>Phone Books</b> All types and sizes</p>	<p>Please visit <a href="http://www.stevensdisposal.com">www.stevensdisposal.com</a> 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



Warmer weather is coming and so is our spring and summer programs! We took advantage of the winter and completely renovated out Kiwanis Park Hall. The renovation included a fresh coat of paint to the interior of the building, new flooring, and some new appliances. For information about renting the hall or one of the park pavilion's please contact the Clerk's office at (734) 242-3282.

## Youth Baseball and Softball

Registration for youth baseball and softball is open now and ends on April 15th. The schedule for the leagues is as follows:

### MONDAY/WEDNESDAY

10u Softball  
12u Baseball

### TUESDAY/THURSDAY

T-Ball  
Coach Pitch  
10u Baseball  
12u Softball

Want to take a more active role in your child's sports? Become a volunteer or a coach! We are always in need of coaches and other volunteers to keep our programs running smoothly. If you're interested in coaching, please fill out the section at the bottom of the registration form.

## Adult Softball

Adult Softball registration is now open and will end on May 13th. Team registration forms can be picked up at the Treasure's Dept or one can be emailed to you by contacting the Recreation Dept at [Phil@frenchtownchartertp.org](mailto:Phil@frenchtownchartertp.org) or Deanna Crump, our new Director of Adult Softball, at [deeran1290@yahoo.com](mailto:deeran1290@yahoo.com). The team registration fee for both leagues are \$350 and a \$20 umpire fee per team prior to the start of our game. Our Co-ed league will play on Monday nights and the Men's league will play on Wednesday nights.

## Adult Sand Volleyball

Adult Co-Ed Sand Volleyball registration is also

open and will end on May 27th. Registration forms can be picked up at the Treasure's Dept or one can be emailed to you by contacting the Recreation Dept. There is a \$50 team registration fee and a \$10 fee to be paid to the scorekeeper per team prior to the start of our match. Courts are located behind the Township hall on Vivian Rd and games will be played on Thursday nights starting June 9th. Noah Coyle is the new Director of Volleyball.

We will be once again offering Golf and Tennis lessons this year. Lessons are scheduled to start later this June. We are also finalizing some details for other programs that will take place throughout summer so say tuned by following us on Facebook at Frenchtown Township Parks & Recreation or on the Township's website.

**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.**

## Your Opinion Matters!

The Frenchtown Charter Township Parks and Recreation Department needs your help and input to formulate priorities for its parks and recreation programs.

The Township is preparing a five-year plan to improve the Township parks system. An updated plan makes us eligible to apply for state grants and makes sure we offer the kinds of parks that you want and use.



Please take a moment to answer the survey. You'll find our survey at our website: [www.frenchtownchartertownship.org](http://www.frenchtownchartertownship.org) or by scanning this QR code to the left.

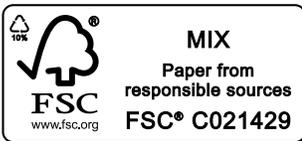
We always welcome your comments, concerns and/or suggestions so feel free to contact us at (734) 243-1732 or [phil@frenchtownchartertp.org](mailto:phil@frenchtownchartertp.org).

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# 2022 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 .....3:00 p.m.
- 3rd Tuesday .....2:00 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.