

**FRENCHTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP RESORT DISTRICT AUTHORITY**  
**Meeting, Wednesday, January 8, 2020**

I. Chairman Molly Luempert-Coy called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America at 3:00 p.m.

II. Roll call.

**Present were:** Molly Luempert-Coy- Chairperson; Jim McDevitt- Vice-Chairman; Kraig Yoas, Treasurer; Donald Rushlow- Member. Also present were Kerry Bondy, Legal Advisor; Barry Buschmann, Engineer, Mannik & Smith Group; Aaron Hacker, Engineer, Mannik & Smith Group; Larry Smith, Director; Marcia Siddall, Administrative Assistant. Excused: Joseph Congiolo, Secretary.

There were 5 community residents present.

III. **Approval of Agenda:**

Motion was made to approve agenda as presented by Mr. McDevitt and supported by Mr. Yoas.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (voice vote)

IV. **Minutes:**

Approval of January 8, 2020 Minutes

Motion made to accept the above January minutes as distributed by Mr. McDevitt and supported by Mr. Yoas  
Motion carried: 4-0 (voice vote)

V. **Public Participation:** None

VI. **Correspondence:** None

VII. **Reports:**

Director's Report: (verbal)

Lake Erie levels still high but the district seems to have weathered the higher levels this summer. Monroe County petitioned the State of MI for help due to historically high Lake Erie water levels. This petition was approved. As a result a meeting has been scheduled with the Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE) for January 16, 2020 at 9am to be held at the Frenchtown Twp Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to review the RDA Flood Protection Program and ACOE plans to address the high water issues.

This is an open meeting and the public is welcome to attend.

Engineering Report (verbal)

Collecting bids for this year's payment repair & microsurfacing of roads before the next board meeting. We are in the study phase for the next seawall project.

Monroe County Sheriff Contract Activity Report for 11/1/19-11/30/19

Motion was made to accept and place on file the Monroe County Sheriff Contract Activity Report for 11/1/19-11/30/19 by Mr. McDevitt supported by Mr. Yoas.

Motion carried: 4-0 (voice vote)

VIII. **Old Business:** None

**IX. New Business:**

Election of Officers and Board Appointments for 2020 #05-20

Motion was made to retain the current board officers for 2020 as follows: Officers- Molly Luempert-Coy- Chairman; Jim McDevitt- Vice Chairman; Joe Congiolo- Secretary; Kraig Yoas- Treasurer; Donald Rushlow –Member by Mr. McDevitt, supported by Mr. Yoas.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (Mr. McDevitt-yes; Mr. Rushlow-yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy-yes; Mr. Yoas-yes)

Motion was made to retain and appoint for 2020 Engineer, Mannik & Smith; Auditor, Don McGuire; Legal Advisor, Kerry Bondy; Director, Larry Smith by Mr. McDevitt, supported by Mr. Yoas.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (Mr. McDevitt-yes; Mr. Rushlow-yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy-yes; Mr. Yoas-yes)

2019 Year in Review and 2020 Goals #01-20

Motion was made to accept and place on file the RDA 2019 Accomplishments and RDA 2020 Goals by Mr. McDevitt, support by Mr. Rushlow.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (voice vote)

Michigan Stormwater- Floodplain Association Conference #03-20

Motion was made for the Director to attend the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of the Michigan Stormwater-Floodplain Association in Ann Arbor, MI at the Wyndham Garden on March 4-6, 2020 not to exceed \$500.00 by Mr. Yoas, supported by Mr. McDevitt.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (Mr. Rushlow-yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy- yes; Mr. Yoas- yes; Mr. McDevitt-yes)

RDA Staff Compensation #04-20

Motion was made to approve a \$0.64 raise in keeping with the township wage/salary schedule which is \$18.45/hr. compensation for 2020 for the RDA Administrative Assistant and \$29.26/hr. for the Director by Mr. Yoas, supported by Mr. McDevitt.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (Ms. Luempert-Coy- yes; Mr. Yoas- yes; Mr. McDevitt-yes; Mr. Rushlow-yes)

Motion was made for the Legal Advisor an hourly increase of \$5.00 per hour to \$150.00 per hour to be consistent with township by Mr. Yoas, supported by Mr. McDevitt.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (Mr. Yoas-yes; Mr. McDevitt-yes; Mr. Rushlow-yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy-yes)

Grass Cutting of Clay Berms #02-20

Motion was made to award a 1 year contract extension to Clean Cut Lawn Care, to mow the clay berms for 2020 at \$1,920 per cut with a minimum of five cuts for a total cost of \$9,600.00 by Mr. Yoas, supported by Mr. Rushlow.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (Mr. McDevitt- yes; Mr. Rushlow- yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy-yes; Mr. Yoas-yes)

Approval of the December Financial Report, Balance Sheet, Income & Expense Report, and Investment Report

Motion made to accept the December report and place on file by Mr. McDevitt supported by Mr. Rushlow.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (Mr. Rushlow-yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy- yes; Mr. Yoas- yes; Ms. McDevitt-yes)

**X. Other Items from Board Members:**

Mr. McDevitt and Ms. Luempert-Coy wished everyone a Happy New Year. Mr. Yoas brought up discussion on posting the upcoming meeting with the ACOE on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 which was agreed to.



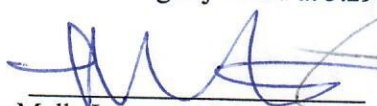
**XI. Public Participation:**

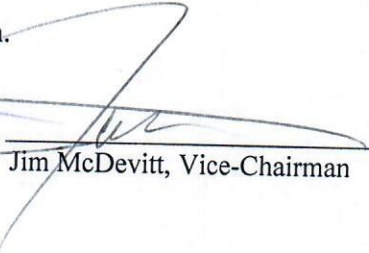
John Weiman, president of Pointe Aux Peaux Farms asked the board about the tax on DTE. Ms. Bondy answered it is in ongoing negotiation, nothing new to report at this time. There will be a general call in July. Shirley Cox had question about her seawall. Correspondence has been mailed to her.

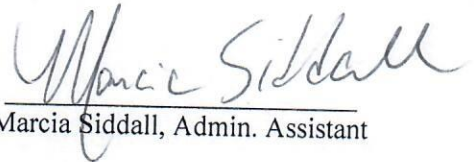
**XII. Adjournment:**

Motion made to adjourn meeting by Mr. McDevitt supported by Mr. Rushlow.  
Motion carried: 4-0 (voice vote)

The meeting adjourned at 3:29 p.m.

  
Molly Luempert-Coy, Chairman

  
Jim McDevitt, Vice-Chairman

  
Marcia Siddall, Admin. Assistant