

FRENCHTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP RESORT DISTRICT AUTHORITY

Wednesday April 9, 2025

I. Chairperson Molly Luempert-Coy called the meeting to order at Frenchtown Charter Township Hall 2744 Vivian Rd, Monroe, Michigan 48162, 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; Donald Rushlow-Secretary; Gary Klemz-Vice Chairperson; Brian Dotson- Treasurer. The Chairperson announced a quorum was present. Also present were Kerry Bondy, Legal Advisor; Cody Jones, Engineer, Mannik & Smith Group; Larry Smith, Director; Janae Jones, Administrative Assistant; Troy Goodnough, Sheriff; Kyle Bryant, Township Clerk; Julie Ellison, Township Treasurer. Chris Collins-Board Member, was excused absence.

There were 10 community residents present.

III. **Approval of Agenda:**

Motion was made to approve agenda by Mr. Dotson and supported by Mr. Klemz.
Motion carried: 4-0 (voice vote)

IV. **Minutes:**

Approval of February 12, 2025 Minutes

Motion made to accept and place on file the February 8, 2025 minutes as distributed by Mr. Klemz and supported by Mr. Dotson.
Motion carried: 4-0 (voice vote)

V. **Public Participation:** None.

VI. **Correspondence:** None.

VII. **Reports:**

Director's Report: Additional funds were invested into a second CDARS account. There was a slight error made on Flagstar's behalf but has since been resolved appropriately by Flagstar.

Lake Erie Level: Lake Erie's water level continues to approach the long term average, and is projected to reach the long term average this summer.

Engineering Report (verbal): Cody and Director Smith have begun meeting with homeowners that will be affected by the seawall project. Temporary construction easements and the EGLE letter are being presented to homeowners, along with individual seawall plans. A majority of the meetings should be completed by early May, and homeowner signatures submitted for the EGLE permits by the end of May. The hope is to have plans completed and going out for bids by the end of winter.

Monroe County Sheriff Contract Activity Report for 2/1/25-2/28/25 and 3/1/25-3/31/25

Sheriff Goodnough presented and compared the Contract Activity Reports for the 2 months. He stated they are still one deputy short in the RDA, but there are several recruits going into the police academy over the next 3 months and they hope to be fully staffed again soon.

VIII. **Old Business:**

FLOCK Proposal Memo #04-25

At the February meeting, FLOCK cameras were introduced to the board. A proposal from FLOCK was sent to the RDA for 3 different contract terms for consideration. Sheriff Goodnough discussed the proposed locations of the 3 cameras and talked about what the cameras are used for and how only the Sheriff's department will have access to them. Four residents spoke up about how they agree with the idea of the FLOCK cameras, but they do not feel that the RDA funds should be used to pay for the cameras, as the RDA was not created for these types of things. It was suggested that the RDA board table the proposal, and that the FLOCK proposal be forwarded to the Frenchtown Township board with a supporting letter for their consideration.

Motion was made to table the discussion and ask Frenchtown Township to consider the FLOCK proposal by Mr. Rushlow and supported by Mr. Dotson. Motion carried 4-0 roll call vote (Mr. Dotson-yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy-yes; Mr. Klemz-yes; Mr. Rushlow-yes.)

IX. New Business:

Tree Trimming Road Clearance Memo #05-25

A proposal to obtain authorization from associations for road clearance tree trimming by the Department of Public Works was presented by the Director. Rich Weirch of the Department of Public Works spoke on this topic and answered questions. He discussed the process, their equipment and the cost effectiveness of using the Department of Public Works for this process. Mr. Weirch also answered questions regarding the berm cutting throughout the RDA. They plan to begin mowing berms on April 21 pending weather.

Motion was made to implement the policy and to move forward with the tree trimming authorization using the Department of Public Works and using the tree removal budget for payment was made by Mr. Klemz and supported by Mr. Dotson. Motion carried 4-0 (Mr. Dotson-yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy-yes; Mr. Klemz-yes; Mr. Rushlow-yes).

Director Smith noted, now that the motion has been approved, the form will be finalized and then sent out to each association for authorization.

Approval of February and March Financial Report, Balance Sheet, Income & Expense Report, and Investment Reports

Motion made to accept the February and March Financial Report, Balance Sheet and Income and Expense Report and place on file by Mr. Dotson and supported by Mr. Klemz. Motion carried: 4-0 roll call vote (Mr. Klemz- yes; Ms. Luempert-Coy- yes; Mr. Dotson- yes; Mr. Rushlow-yes).

X. Other Items from Board Members:

Mr. Dotson asked if the RDA has paid for or been reimbursed for the vehicle that drove through and damaged the berm in 2024? Ms. Bondy has been following up on this and stated that the RDA has paid the DPW for the repair, and the bill has been provided to the court to request restitution.

XI. Public Participation:

Brittney Webb, president of Grand Beach asked when the tree requests for the association parks in Grand Beach will be taken care of. Director Smith said he plans to meet with Davey Tree Service to walk through and make a plan for the requests in the near future.

Detroit Beach representatives wanted to note that they have a new president, and will be stopping in the RDA office to make the updates.

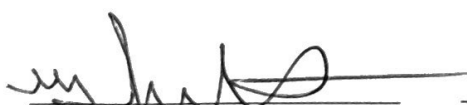
Ms. Webb, wanted to check into renting the community room in the Frenchtown Municipal Center for their association meetings. The associations were advised to follow up with the Township on the rental options. Ms. Bondy noted that she has advised the Township that there will need to be some sort of rental costs associated with the rentals, that they will not be able to donate the use of the community room at no charge.

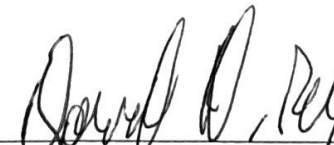
XII. Adjournment:

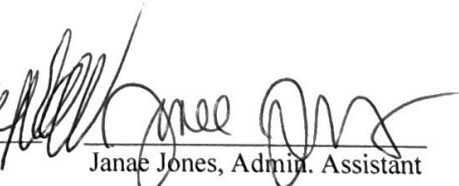
Motion made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Klemz supported by Mr. Rushlow.

Motion carried: 4-0 (voice vote)

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.


Molly Luempert-Coy, Chairman


Donald Rushlow, Secretary


Janae Jones, Admin. Assistant