

November 2013

## **GARBAGE AND RECYCLING FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

1. *Is the Village switching to carts for garbage collection?*

Yes, the village requested bids from private contractors for collection of garbage and recyclables for several forms of garbage containers including the current bag system. The lowest price by a substantial amount was to collect garbage and recyclables in carts suitable for automated collection.

2. *What is automated collection?*

A system of garbage collection where an arm extends from the garbage truck to pick up the cart and dump it into the garbage truck without the driver leaving the vehicle.

3. *How large are the carts?*

The standard cart will be approximately 96 gallons. These carts are approximately 4 feet high with 2'x2' base. The carts come with wheels to aid with moving the cart from near the home to the curb. For smaller households or those who have difficulty moving these carts, smaller carts will be available. Please contact the village clerk if you want the small carts (564-3214). However, be aware that everything must be placed in the cart. Anything outside of the cart will NOT be picked up.

4. *Where do I store the cart?*

Village ordinance requires that garbage containers be placed at the curb no more than 24 hours prior to garbage collection and that they be removed within 24 hours after collection. The carts will be allowed to be stored near the home or garage or inside when not placed for collection.

5. *What day will be garbage day?*

Garbage and recyclables will continue to be collected weekly on Fridays unless there is a holiday or large snow fall. If a holiday falls in a week before a regularly scheduled Friday pick-up, the pick-up will be that Saturday.

6. *If an item doesn't fit into my cart, how do I dispose of it?*

The garbage contractor will only pick up those items that are placed in the cart. Large or bulky items can be disposed of by contracting directly with Advanced Disposal (888)688-4005. In addition, the village will pick up large refuse on the first and third Tuesday of the month for a fee. Contact the village clerk to make arrangements for payment and pick-up of large refuse (564-3214).

7. *What items can I recycle?*

You will be able to recycle those items that you currently recycle. Please see the Collection Schedule and Guidelines information furnished by Advanced Disposal.

8. *When will the cart system begin?*

It is anticipated that the carts will be distributed in mid-December. Effective January 6, 2014, you will be required to use the carts.

9. *Will I have to pay for the cart?*

No, the price of the carts is included in the contract price with the village.