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## **ACT NOW ...**

### **OPTIONS TO MANAGE YOUR 2009 TRASH COST**

Dear Resident:

The first two goals, economic stability and environmental sustainability, for our automated variable rate trash collection program have been achieved and we are now ready to initiate the innovative pricing component of the system!

This past year, each residential household paid \$264 for their trash disposal. This was a decrease from the previous years and a direct result of the automated collection. In 2009, the cost to residents will be further reduced. Each household will be billed according to the size of their trash cart. Households with a **95-gallon cart will pay \$262 per year**; with a **65-gallon cart, \$235 per year**; and with a **35-gallon cart, \$207 per year**. Keep in mind that there is no charge associated with either the paper or the recycling carts.

The majority of our township residents are using the 95-gallon trash cart. If you wish to continue using the 95-gallon cart, no response is necessary. If you feel **you generate significantly less trash** and would like to switch your trash cart to a 65-gallon or a 35-gallon size, please contact the Public Works Department at the following numbers: 267-536-1038 or 267-536-1037. Please keep in mind that all **changes in size of trash carts must take place on or before September 28, 2008. You will not be given the opportunity of changing the size of your trash cart again until September of 2009.** In the event you have already switched the size of your trash cart, no additional action is necessary on your part.

For your convenience, the Township will hold a clean-out week twice a year, in the fall and in the spring. Scheduled clean-out weeks will take place as follows:

Tuesday, October 14, 2008 through Friday, October 17, 2008  
Tuesday, April 14, 2009 through Friday, April 17, 2009  
Tuesday, October 13, 2009 through Friday, October 16, 2009

During the township-wide clean-out weeks, residents can put out **normal household trash**. Trash is to be placed beside their automated cart in plastic garbage bags on their designated trash day. See attached sheet regarding what may and may not be placed curbside for this and all clean-out day collections.

**Effective October 1, 2008, we will no longer be picking up excess trash in plastic garbage bags outside of your container.** There are several options for the disposal of excess trash which your household might occasionally generate. Please see the attached sheet for these options.

Your continued patience during this transition period is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Ed Micciolo  
Public Works Direct



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