

## **RECYCLING NEWS UPDATE**

### **PROGRAM UPDATE**

As we transition from winter and move into spring, there isn't really a lot of new information on the recycling front. We do continue to meet all state regulations and requirements to be considered an effective recycling program. I do expect the funding and regulations to remain relatively the same as the state works through their upcoming budget funding cycle.

There are several events happening around the county to help dispose of tires, electronics, appliances and hazardous materials. Attached to this newsletter is very helpful information on these various events. Please keep this valuable information sheet close by so that you can reference it when these events occur. Also note, that some of the events will require pre-registration in order to participate.

### **YARD WASTE**

Please remember that we still have our compost site available for residents to drop off their brush and yard waste. This program is for residents of the village only and is not open to anyone outside of the village even if they have a Hilbert mailing address. Please keep an eye open and if you see someone that is not a village resident bringing in yard waste or brush, please grab a license plate number along with the date and we will contact them to educate them about this facility only being available for village residents. As has been the case in the past, please use care in dumping your yard waste and brush at the site. Please ensure that you are dumping the material on the correct pile. There is a multiple year process that the material goes through in order to become usable compost material. If there is material dumped on the incorrect pile, it can cause issues with this composting process. We also ask that you use care in ensuring that only the allowable material is brought to the site. This area is not a dumping site for other materials such as concrete, brick, garbage, etc. If you have concrete material that needs to be disposed of, it can be done at the wastewater treatment plant by appointment. We recycle the concrete there and use the recycled material as base in our projects. Please contact the clerk's office to make arrangements. Also, please remember to keep all grass clippings out of the roads as the weather starts to get warmer and we begin to think about cutting our lawns again. It is against current ordinance and if we have to clean it up out of the gutters, you will be billed accordingly. Lastly, we will chip brush up to 4" in diameter. If you have brush that needs to be chipped, you can either haul it to the compost site and place the brush on the brush pile. If it is a small amount of brush, we ask that you haul it to the compost site. We can also chip on site for larger quantities. You must contact the clerk's office at 853-3241 to request the chipping at your property. We usually chip once a week on Wednesdays. If you do not call to have the brush picked up and chipped, it will not be done.

### **SPRING CLEAN**

The annual Spring Clean will again be held this year. We will be having the drop off site again in the gravel parking lot across the street from the fire station/community center. Items will not be picked up at the curbing. The event is scheduled for Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. – 11 a.m. No material will be picked up if it is left out on the curb area. The committee will again be on site to assist you. Please refer to the enclosed information sheet for a list of what is acceptable and what is not.

The Recycling Committee