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With rising costs, it has become important that we enforce existing garbage pickup guidelines and revise certain fees. Your garbage pickup tax dollars provide for one (1) garbage tote picked up once per week. We are instituting an annual pickup fee for an **extra** garbage tote. This annual fee is \$75.00, paid in full at the beginning of the fiscal year. When paid, you will receive a sticker to place on the front of the tote for that year. Fees will begin on January 1, 2019 with a prorated payment of \$31.25 for the extra tote due on December 28, 2018 for the remainder of the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Please stop by the Village office if you plan to keep one (1) extra tote to make your nonrefundable payment.

Subsequently, a new sticker must be purchased for \$75.00 by May 31, 2019 for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Extra totes will NOT be picked up without the current sticker. Unwanted totes without a sticker will be collected by the DPW-- just leave it curbside. For those households that do not need an extra tote, \$1 stickers may be purchased at the Village office for the occasional extra bags put out with the regular tote. Anything outside the tote without a sticker or overflowing the tote (lid must be able to close), will not be picked up. Garbage totes should contain household waste only, no leaves, brush, yard debris, rocks, cement or construction debris.

With a matching grant from the NYSDEC, the Village was able to purchase large 96-gallon recycling totes; same size as the garbage totes. **The larger size will allow the DPW to pick up recycling every other week**, saving on labor costs and freeing up the DPW to do other projects around the Village. Refer to the recycling calendar in this mailing for recycling pick up dates. Do not include household waste, leaves, brush, yard debris, rocks, cement or construction debris. Cardboard needs to be flattened and cut to fit loosely inside the tote.

A sticker must be on every item or it will not be picked up. If unsure about the fee for an item, call the DPW for a quote. For an item that is left without a sticker, the DPW will leave a note with the appropriate cost. Take this note to the Village office to purchase your sticker. Please be mindful of the weather; soggy couches and mattresses cost the Village more to dispose. To ensure your garbage and recycling gets picked up it must be out to the curb by 7:00 am on your scheduled pick up day. Read the DPW guidelines included with this letter for more information on fees for bulk items, recycling and leaf and brush pick up.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding. With your help it will make the DPW's job safer and cost effective for all residents. We wish you and your family a safe and happy holiday season.