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## 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.

*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 will continue to be collected weekly on Thursdays unless there is a holiday or large snow fall. **Recyclables will be collected every other week on Thursdays.** The village will issue a collection schedule for recyclables annually.

*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 the hauler, bringing the items to the Town of Fredonia facility on Cedar Valley Road (please call the Town at 692-9673 for operating times and fees), bringing the item to Port Recycling or other private operators, or the Village may sponsor a collection event to dispose of large items.

*7. What items can I recycle?*

You will be able to recycle those items that you currently recycle. The garbage contractor will issue a list of those items.

*8. When will the cart system begin?*

It is anticipated that it will take several months for the carts to be ordered, shipped, and delivered to Village residents.

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

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