## Town of Franklin Residents:

As you know the Waste Management Ridgeview site is our designated location for household waste disposal and our recycling bins.

While recycling is encouraged, we are running into a disposal situation that is causing extra expense for the provider. Recycling rules require only these specific items:

- Plastic bottles and containers,
- Food and beverage cans,
- Paper (clean newspaper, etc)
- Flattened cardboard
- Food and beverage cartons
- Glass bottles and containers

In recent months several incidents of these recyclables being disposed of while contained in plastic bags has taken place. This practice is not acceptable, as the plastic bags (small store bags, all the way up to large garbage bags) are detrimental to the machinery in the single stream recycling process. The bags get tangled in the mechanisms and shut the process down. Then subsequent repairs and extra labor is required for operator, and the service company.

The single stream recycling facility has an electronic video process that video's when the dumpsters are unloaded and record and charge back any dumpster that is found to have any plastic bags in the recyclables.

The monthly charge backs are a mounting unnecessary expense, and we ask your cooperation in alleviating this problem.

## Suggestions are as follows:

- A separate container for recyclables that you take back home with you after depositing them in the recycling bins.
- Bags or box type containers with which you deposit the recyclables into the recycling bins, and then deposit the bag or container into the regular garbage dumpster. Remember if cardboard is dry and not contaminated it is recyclable, so you may deposit cans, etc in a clean cardboard container.
- No waxed cardboard please.

Please assist us in reducing undo expense, and the possible future restrictions on recycling. We appreciate your cooperation. Please see the enclosed brochure.

Thank you.

## Town of Franklin Board

## **Town of Franklin Landfill Committee**

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