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Village Manager's Office

Commercial Garbage Hauling Open House

Open House

The Village of Deerfield will be hosting an open house for all businesses to meet Lakeshore Recycling Systems, the proposed vendor for the commercial franchise, and explore options to save money for your business. The open house will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2013, from 3-5p.m. in the Council Chambers of Deerfield Village Hall, 850 Waukegan Road. Please attend and learn how the commercial waste franchise will benefit your business and discuss your needs directly with the hauler. All businesses are encouraged to attend.

History

In 2012, the Village Board directed that staff work with the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) and the Deerfield-Bannockburn-Riverwoods Chamber of Commerce to consider awarding a franchise for commercial garbage and recycling services in order to support the business community to potentially reduce costs and increase recycling options. The recommendation was followed by a survey that was sent to all businesses. The responses to the survey indicated that most businesses would realize significant rate savings by all businesses being served by a single waste hauler. The Village worked with the DBR Chamber of Commerce to form a Steering Committee comprised of local businesses and property managers that helped draft the request for proposal (RFP).

Following a Village Board public hearing on June, 17, 2013, to consider issuing a RFP, proposals were requested. After receiving proposals from 5 solid waste haulers, the Village is contemplating the lowest price proposal from Lakeshore Recycling Systems and has begun negotiating terms of the franchise.

In addition to lower garbage and recycling rates for most businesses, the benefits of a franchise include:

- More uniform rates for garbage removal and recycling services included in the price
- Free 4 cubic yard recycling container serviced once a week
- Rate increases only once each year and capped at the rate of inflation
- No additional fees or surcharges for fuel
- Less truck traffic-resulting in less wear and tear on the streets
- Trucks powered by Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)

All businesses, except home based businesses, would receive garbage and recycling services under the franchise.

Next Steps

The Village Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 6, 2014, to consider awarding a commercial waste contract to Lakeshore Recycling Systems.

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