Township Recycling Proposal August 2, 2016 Information Newsletter

Provided by Allegan County Resource Recovery and Martin Township

On August 2, 2016, Martin Township Residents will vote on a \$36 per household, per year surcharge to pay for the current recycling services provided by the Allegan County Resource Recovery Program. This proposal, if approved, would replace the current \$25 amount and would be a mandatory surcharge applied to all homes' winter tax bills for 5 years (2016-2020 inclusive). These programs which include: curbside recycling, appliance, electronics, household hazardous waste and tire recycling—are currently paid by a \$25 annual surcharge, per home, through Act 138, are not receiving adequate revenue to cover the costs of these programs. The \$36 household fee—\$3.00 per month, per household—would generate about \$33,192 per year and would be used to continue existing services as stated above and the administrative costs of the Resource Recovery Program.

MARTIN TOWNSHIP (2015 Data)

Recycling Services Cost by Percentage from Surcharge Revenue:

Curbside Recycling Program: 87%

TV/Computer Recycling: 1%

Household Hazardous Waste: 2%

Transfer Station Depot Fees: 3%

Administration Cost: 15%

Deficit <u>Paid</u> by Martin Twp: (8%)

2015 Recycling Financial Stats:

Revenue: \$23,073

Adm. Cost & Expense Total: \$24,844

Deficit paid by General Fund: (\$1,771)

Township Recycling Proposal Estimate:

Revenue Est.:

\$33,192

Adm. Cost & Expense Total: \$25,844

Surplus held in account: \$7,348

If there are questions about this proposal, please contact Allegan

269-686-4559 or contact the Township Hall.

County Resource Recovery

BALLOT LANGUAGE

PROPOSAL FOR THE FUNDING OF WASTE REDUCTION PROGRAMS AND FOR THE COLLECTION OF MATERIALS FOR RECYCLING

To continue and expand solid waste reduction programs under the Allegan County Solid Waste Management Plan, shall Allegan County, pursuant to 1989 P.A. 138, as amended by 2005 P.A. 69, impose an annual surcharge on all households in Martin Township in the amount of \$36 per household per year for a period of five years (2016-2020, inclusive) to cover operational costs of the programs and to be distributed to Allegan County to fund the collection of materials for recycling including, but not limited to, recyclable materials, household hazardous wastes, tires, batteries, and yard clippings, as provided in the Allegan County Solid Waste Management Plan?

[] Yes

[] No