

Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2019 – 345 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REVISING THE REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE OPERATION OF THE TOWNSHIP RECYCLING CENTER AND THE TOWNSHIP DROP OFF CENTER

WHEREAS, the Township provides curbside collection of recyclable materials (paper fiber and comingled plastics/cans/glass containers) and operates a Recycling Drop Off Center for the convenience of local residents as well as to provide a location for the collection and disposal of specialized recyclable materials; and

WHEREAS, the Township has awarded a refuse collection contract which is significantly more costly than preceding contracts resulting in a financial need to curtail duplicative costs wherever possible; and

WHEREAS, certain products previously collected at curbside and the Drop Off Center are no longer recyclable; and

WHEREAS, the resale market for recyclable materials is currently depressed resulting in future disposal costs that the Township must pay; and

WHEREAS, the combination of the above three cost increases/market disposal changes necessitates changing the operation of the Township's curbside collection program and Recycling Drop Off Center to reduce costs and eliminate duplicative services; and

WHEREAS, the Township Interim Administrator and DPW Director recommend that the following operational changes at the Recycling Center are reasonable mechanisms to reduce operational costs while still providing to local taxpayers access to reasonable recycling services and facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that the following regulations governing the Township Curbside Collection Program and Recycling Center operation be made as soon as is practical.

1. Curbside plastic collections are restricted to plastic materials with id logo #1, 2 and 5.
2. The hours of operation be reduced to Wednesday and Saturday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and Sunday from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. The Drop Off Center be closed to the public at other hours to prevent illegal/improper activity.
3. The Drop Off Center continue to accept items not currently collected curbside (e.g. leaves, grass, oil, metal goods, paint cans, clothing, electronic devices).
4. The acceptance of paper products and comingled products at the Drop Off Center be restricted to those taxpayers who do not have curbside collection. Local businesses that do not receive curbside service can bring their materials to the Recycling Drop Off Center.
5. The metal curbside collection program be continued on an appointment basis by collection zone.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be provided to the Director of Public Works for his advertisement and implementation and that the above changes not occur until the public has been advised through a direct mailing as well as electronic means.

Adopted: December 4, 2019

Adopted this 4th day of December 2019
and certified as a true copy of an original.

Diane Curcio, Acting Township Clerk