## Message to Borough Residents re the new Trash Collection system

This is the first time the Borough has used Constant Contact to communicate with Borough residents. We have an old and incomplete email list so please forward this email to your friends and neighbors in Stonington Borough. You can subscribe and unsubscribe from the mailing list at the bottom of this email.

Starting March 31, 2025, the Town of Stonington will implement a new automated residential curbside trash and recycling collection program with our municipal contractor, CWPM, LLC.

**Trash Collection**: Trash will be collected weekly. Household trash must be placed in tied Stonington Pay-As-You-Throw Yellow bags and then placed in the new 95-gallon cart at the curb by 6:30 a.m.

**Recycling Collection**: Recycling will be collected every other week. Recyclables must be kept loose (not bagged) and placed in the new 95-gallon cart at the curb by 6:30 a.m.

**Cart Delivery**: New trash and recycling carts will start being delivered on March 31, 2025, with delivery potentially taking up to a few weeks to complete. Collection day information will be included with your new carts.

The trash hauler and the Town's Solid Waste managers are very sympathetic to residents in the Borough who do not have space for these large bins. They have agreed to continue to collect yellow bags and small recycling bins that are left on the curb for collection after 6:30 am on Tuesday's. If you wish to put your trash out the night before, it needs to be one of the new bins. Our preference is for the majority of residents to use the new bins.

Because of the narrow streets in the Borough, the trash hauler will use a semiautomated process with a medium sized truck. The haulers will wheel the bins to the back of the truck and an automated arm will lift the bins into the truck.

If you do not want to receive the large bins, please call the Solid Waste Department office on 860.535.5099. A 3<sup>rd</sup> Party is delivering the bins which have a unique code for your address. We would try our best not to have the bins delivered if you requested it in advance but if your bin arrives and you don't want them, please give us a call.

Each apartment in a multi-family home will receive their own set of bins. If you think you can share one set of bins, please discuss this with your neighbors and call us on 860.535.5099. We would appreciate it if each resident could find a location on their property were the bins cannot be seen from the street. The bins cannot be left on

thesidewalk other than on the day of collection. The more neighbors can share the bins, the better.

The new system will commence as soon as the bins are delivered.

Answers to many more Frequently Asked Questions can be found here.

https://www.stonington-ct.gov/solid-waste-department/pages/faq-regarding-the-newtrash-collection-services

We will discuss your issues and concerns at the next Warden and Burgess meeting on April 15<sup>th</sup> when we will have a better understanding of how the process works.