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Township Seeks Bids for Garbage/Recycling Contract
Multi-Year Term with Service Changes Possible; Public Input Sought

Twinsburg Township, Summit County, Ohio – October 18, 2011 – The Board of Twinsburg Township Trustees is seeking bids for residential solid waste disposal and recycling services beginning on January 1, 2012. The Township's current contract expires on December 31, 2011.

The Township last sought bids for garbage and recycling services in 2006, at which time a contract was approved with J&J Refuse, Inc. The 2006 contract ran for three years, from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009, with two optional one-year extensions in 2010 and 2011. In late 2009 the Board of Trustees approved both extensions. The Township first contracted with J&J Refuse in 2004, before that having contracted with various other haulers.

In 1966 the Township obtained a license for the Katz Road landfill, to which all Township residential garbage was hauled using Township equipment and labor. In 1986 the Katz Road landfill was closed, and Township voters approved a 0.75 mill property tax levy to pay a private hauler to provide collection services. The levy was removed from the tax duplicate in late 2003, after which date residents paid directly for services from 2004 through 2006, inclusive. The Township in 2007 began paying for services using General Fund resources. The Township's 2011 total contract cost is estimated at \$158,000.00.

The Township currently offers garbage and recycling services free of charge to Township residential properties, with weekly collection by a private hauler on Tuesdays, holidays notwithstanding. The current bid solicitation requests proposals for services using different combinations of resident-provided and contractor-provided containers, all with the same unlimited level of service that Township residents have come to expect.

The Board of Trustees welcomes input from residents regarding the various service options sought from bidders. A copy of the bid specifications can be found on the Township website, www.twinsburgtwp.com, under Departments – Trash, as well as under Document Library – Forms, and at Township Hall at 1790 Enterprise Parkway, or by calling (330) 425-4497.

About Twinsburg Township

Twinsburg Township was founded in 1817, had a population of 2,828 in 2010, and will soon celebrate its bicentennial with great pride. The Township is home to an unparalleled combination of rich history, abundant natural resources, outstanding parks, well-planned neighborhoods, thriving businesses, and top-notch institutions. Whether you're looking for a great place to live or do business, or just a spot to spend a quiet afternoon, you'll find it all right here in Twinsburg Township. So stop by and see us sometime, and if you can't make it in person, please check out www.twinsburgtwp.com to get a glimpse of all that Twinsburg Township has to offer. For more information, contact Robert S. Kagler, Township Manager, via telephone at (330) 425-4497 or via e-mail at rkagler@twinsburgtwp.com.

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