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2012-2014 Township Garbage/Recycling Contract Approved
Three-Year Contract with J&J Refuse Holds Down Costs

Twinsburg Township, Summit County, Ohio – November 17, 2011 – The Board of Twinsburg Township Trustees is pleased to announce that, following a review of bids from four different haulers, J&J Refuse, Inc. was unanimously selected on November 17, 2011 to provide Township residential solid waste disposal and recycling services for a three year term beginning on January 1, 2012 and ending on December 31, 2014. The Township's current contract expires on December 31, 2011.

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.

Estimated costs throughout each of the three years of the new contract will be nearly the same, including \$146,409.00 in 2012, \$153,729.45 in 2013, and \$161,049.90 in 2014, all nearly the same as the Township's current (2011) estimated cost of \$158,000.00. These costs represent a 7.3% decrease from 2011 to 2012, a 5.0% increase from 2012 to 2013, and a 4.8% increase from

2013 to 2014, for a total estimated cost change over the life of the contract of 1.9% from 2011 to 2014. The rate per household will be constant over the three-year contract term, with the only increase in cost attributable to anticipated Township growth. The Board is thankful that, in the face of current economic uncertainties, contract costs have been largely held constant.

The Township currently offers garbage and recycling services free of charge to Township residential properties, with weekly collection by a private hauler. The new contract will provide residents with the additional option of using hauler-provided 96-gallon and 64-gallon wheeled carts for garbage and recyclables, respectively, and will increase the amount of allowed recyclables, all with the same unlimited service that Township residents have come to expect.

A copy of the new contract can be found on the Township website, www.twinsburgtwp.com, under Departments – Trash, as well as under Document Library – Other Documents, 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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