

## *Summer Trash Service Change*

Dear BMPOA Members:

As many of you know and utilize, our community has had the benefit of a trash service in which the Town of Webb would spend an hour on Mondays receiving trash at the Higby and Crag Point intersection.

At the end of March, we received notice from the Town that **it is no longer going to provide this stationary trash service**, citing its inefficiency. Going forward, the service would be the same as other Town of Webb residents, which is to place cans out at the end of driveways and private roads. We know this impacts a great number of residents. For those who currently place cans at the end of the driveways, there is no change to service.

The Board convened a subcommittee to assess the situation. Multiple calls have been made to the town, with no willingness to continue the current service, despite concerns of congestion, safety and wildlife issues. From the town's perspective we share similar traits as other road/communities, which have successfully managed the issues. The service that was agreed to was intended to be a temporary solution; one that has now lasted nearly 15 years.

Alternative options are challenging (and similar to those faced 15 years ago) and will require time to assess viability. As many of you may recall, prior to the current service, we utilized a "bear hut" in which garbage and recyclables could be placed. You may also recall, that the "bear hut" concept was a challenging one, with issues including location, maintenance, expense, misuse, wildlife and mess.

**As such, for Summer 2025, our only option is for our residents to utilize trash cans.** The trash is collected in Big Moose on Mondays. We will gather feedback, assess the impact and alternative options. Residents continue to have the option of taking trash and recycling to the transfer station in Old Forge.

### **Logistics to make this as pleasant as possible:**

- Purchase/acquire quality cans and label both the can and the lid with name and camp number
- Bring trash out Monday morning by 9 AM, rather than the night before, to minimize wildlife issues.
- **No uncontained plastic bags! If you can't use the trash service with cans, please take your garbage to the transfer station or take it home for disposal – Carry in/Carry out!**
- Place cans at the end of each private road so not all cans end up at the Higby Point/Crag Point intersection.
  - South Bay Road should place the cans at the Higby Rd end

- North Shore Residents should use the shoulders beyond the PO Dock parking areas
- Retrieve cans after collection, timely on the same day
- Respect our members and do not place cans directly in front of residences
- Do not block mailboxes.
- If you have renters please communicate these guidelines to them.

We understand this is a significant change. Let's come together as a community and work to keep our areas neat by following the above guidance.

**Official Guidance from the Town of Webb:**

- Garbage must be put out on the day of pickup by 7 a.m. *Note – The town has agreed that 9AM is acceptable*
- You must separate your recyclables from your garbage; recycling posters are available at the Information Center.
- Clear bags must be used for garbage. Bags that cannot be seen through will not be picked up.
- Recycling for pickup should be bag-less in a recycling bin with a decal; decals are available at the Information Center. Plastic bags like dry cleaning bags, grocery bags, and plastic wrap ARE NOT RECYCLABLE. They should be put in the garbage. Cardboard must be cut into pieces smaller than 3' X 3'.

**Summer Town of Webb Transfer Station Hours**

- Monday 8 am-noon
- Tuesday 8 am-noon
- Wednesday CLOSED
- Thursday 8 am-noon
- Friday 8 am-noon
- Saturday 8 am-4 pm, closed for lunch from noon-1 pm
- Sunday 8 am-4 pm, closed for lunch from noon-1 pm

Please note: All people utilizing the transfer station must have a Town of Webb window cling for their car, or all bags of garbage or recycling must have a Town of Webb sticker on them. Stickers are \$2 each and can be purchased at the Information Center or from the town clerk.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me

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