

**Eco-Depot &  
E-Waste Event**

**Sat. JULY 15th - 8 am -1pm**

3 Spragueville Rd, Smithfield

All RI Residents are welcome to bring household hazardous waste (HHW) and E- Waste (electronic waste) to this one-day event at no charge.



**HHW** = propane tanks, pool chemicals, oilpaints, CFLs, fertilizers etc.



**E-Waste**= printers, keyboards, telephones, wires etc. *\*\* Freon items will have a disposal charge.*

*Appointments are required only if you bring HHW- call 942-1430 x 241 to schedule a drop off time.*

**Eco-Depot in NS**

**Sat. August 5th - 8 am -1pm**

NS High School

412 Greenville Rd

All RI Residents are welcome to bring household hazardous waste (HHW) to our local one-day event at no charge.

*Appointments are recommend to get you in and out quickly. Call 942-1430 x 241 to schedule a time.*

*Enjoy being outside this summer and remember >> >*



## TRASH TIP FEES ON THE RISE



*We knew it was coming, but unfortunately NOW it is here.*

Beginning July 1, 2017, RIRRC is raising the solid waste (trash) disposal fees to \$39.50/ton for this year up from \$32/ton, and jumps again to \$47/ton the next year.

*What does that mean for you & town expenses?* More money, and a lot more \$\$. These fees are directly related to trash tonnage we generate, or what you our residents put in your bags. Currently North Smithfield residents

throw away 3177 tons of trash each year. That costs \$101,660 each year. *That same amount of trash will now cost taxpayers \$23,800 more this year.*

*The reality is our town should not have the same amount of trash- if residents care.*

Each year we see many items that are recyclable, but for some reason residents continue to put in the trash. Most pieces are glass & plastic bottles, cardboard and paper – items that are easily identified as recyclable. We understand the town will always generate trash and will have to pay to dispose of this waste, but do we want to pay to dispose of items that we shouldn't?

*That is up to you.* We can fix this problem, if you take a look and make sure everything in your trash is really trash, and should not be recycled.

*Not sure what can be recycled?* Call, visit the website, read the newspapers, ask neighbors etc. The information is out there if you want to find it. And remember, we are always here to help our residents recycle everything they can correctly.

Hopefully, the new tip fee rate will not become a major burden to us. If we all work together and do our part, it won't.



## **WE'RE MISSING RECYCABLES**

Nationwide studies show

- \* **only 55% of the aluminum cans** produced get recycled,
- \* **only 14% of plastic packaging** is recycled, and
- \* **only 27% of plastic bottles** are being recycled.



## **KEEP RECYCLING LOOSE**

**NEVER** Bag Recycables! Remember, recycling never belongs in plastic or paper bags – all items must be loose to your cart.

NO bagged shredded paper,

NO bagged plastic bags,

NO paper in paper bags,

NO plastic bags in the recycle bin --- Call if you have questions!