#### **RECYCLING NEWS UPDATE**

### **PROGRAM UPDATE**

As the weather finally heats up for the summer, it has been fairly quiet on the recycling front. The spring clean went well again and the tire recycling event was a success even though it rained. The village did again receive a recycling grant for 2019. Total amount of the grant was \$8,325.12 which is about the same as in previous years. These funds are used to help offset the costs of our recycling program.

## **COMPOST SITE**

When using the compost site, please remember to read the signs and dump the compost material and/or brush on the proper piles. The composting of material does happen over a period of time. The site utilizes multiple piles depending on the stage of the process that is currently taking place. When improper material is dumped or the proper material is dumped on the wrong piles, it can affect the composting process and does add to the labor costs to remove the improper material. The sign can be very difficult to see when you first go into the site but it is by the correct pile. If you don't see the sign by the pile, do not dump the material on this pile. Only dump the material on the pile that is marked by the sign. Remember that when you bring compost material or brush to the compost site, REMOVE ANY BAGS, BOXES, ETC!!! Although most people are very conscientious to remove these items, we still get several instances where this is occurring. If you see anyone doing anything that is not up to regulations, please get a license plate number and notify the clerk's office. This way, we can regulate these issues better to help alleviate them from happening in the future. We do get good composted dirt that is used by many of the residents for their gardens and flowerbeds. It is real important that if you bring brush to the compost site to remember that we cannot accept the root balls from the bushes or stumps from trees. These cannot be run through the chipper due to the dirt and stones that are in there. If this does happen, it could damage the chipper or worse yet, injure one of the employees. Please keep this in mind. The root balls or stumps can be cut off and disposed of in your regular garbage.

# **GRASS CLIPPINGS**

With us currently in the middle of the grass cutting season, it's a good time to remind everyone of the village's regulations regarding littering and blowing grass clippings into the road. If this happens, you could be charged \$15 plus the costs of cleaning up the debris. Please use caution in blowing the grass into the streets. We ask that if grass is blown into the road that you please remove it from the road. It takes very little effort on your part to ensure that these regulations are being followed. It definitely helps with the drainage to keep the clippings out of the road especially with all of the rain that we have had recently.

#### **BRUSH PICK UP**

Please remember that the village will do brush pick up at your residence for large amounts of brush. If you only have a couple of branches and are able to transport them to the compost site, we ask that you do. This helps curtail costs of driving around the village picking up very small amounts of brush. IN ORDER TO HAVE THE BRUSH PICKED UP ON YOUR PROPERTY, YOU MUST CALL THE CLERK'S OFFICE TO BE PLACED ON THE LIST. IF YOU DO NOT CALL THE CLERK'S OFFICE TO GET ON THE BRUSH PICK UP LIST, WE WILL NOT PICK UP THE BRUSH AT YOUR PROPERTY. The phone number for the clerk's office is 853-3241. The maximum diameter of brush that the village will accept at the compost site or on site at your property is 4". If you are removing a large tree, please call prior to cutting down the tree. This way, if we can coordinate it, we could actually be on site and chip the brush as the tree is being cut down.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

There are still dates available for electronics recycling and household hazardous chemical events. The next electronics recycling event will be at the Village of Harrison facility on 8/14/19 from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. The household hazardous chemical events will be in the Village of Harrison on 8/3/19 from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. and in Brillion on 9/6/19 from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. Pre-registration is required for the household hazardous chemical events. More information is available on their website at www.calumetrecycles.com.

The Recycling Committee