

# New recycling service underway in Cremona

## *Council approves Spring Cleaning opportunity*

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Cremona residents have started receiving their new recycling and composting bins and village officials plan to close the recycling centre at the end of the year.

With the new change, council decided to provide residents with an opportunity to dump items they can't normally dump at the centre or in their bins once a year.

In the past, officials have rented large Dumpsters for people to dump unwanted items, which was called the Odd and Unusual pickup.

Odd and Unusual pickups used to take place twice a year, one in January and one in May, but councillors said during the Oct. 20 meeting that once a year would suffice with the new service.

Coun. Sonia Temple suggested holding it on the first weekend in June because some

people do spring cleaning during May long weekend.

Since the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission has entered into an agreement with CanPak Environmental for pickup services, CanPak has offered to charge the village the same rate the commission charged in past years – no charge for the first load and the regular tipping rate for each additional load, according to village officials.

“The last program was well over budget as the bin was filled within days and the waste commission could not pick up the bins in a timely manner,” village officials reported to council during the meeting.

“There was a lot of abuse with the bins at the spring cleanup and additional costs were incurred by the village.”

Council agreed to offer the service in the spring but it will be called Spring Cleaning and there will be signs to clearly mark what can and can't be dumped.