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2nd Quarter Meetings:

May 26, 2018

April 24, 2018

June 28, 2018



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- We are being **charged \$75 for overage charges** when anything is sticking over the trash can.
- This is costing the Association more money each year and this could affect your monthly dues or your rent if these costs keep increasing.

For instance things that can be sticking out:

- Christmas trees, boxes, trash bags, etc. (see below on page 3 for all overage items) Whatever is sticking out of the trash will be considered an overage charge even if it is a few items or a few inches over.
- **Ways to help** to prevent overage charges:
 - Recycle the items that can be recycled (there are signs in each dumpster area of items you can recycle)
 - Breakdown your boxes before you throw them away.
 - If the trash area is full go to another dumpster.
- Bulk items are not permitted to be disposed of in the trash enclosures (fines may apply if they are disposed of in the trash areas).
 - Notify the On-Site Manager if you ever see someone dumping large items in the trash areas.

This includes:

- Mattresses, bed frames, desks, TV's, head boards, etc.

What you can do with them:

- Take them to Good Will or any of the other thrift stores
- Check with the thrift store and have them pick up the items
- Post them as a free item on Craigslist or Facebook

Cities around the world are facing great challenges due to increasing urbanization, and one of the major challenges is the rising amount of generated waste and littering due to high demand for food products and other essentials. Public waste bins are filling up faster than ever and inevitably many of the bins end up overflowing before collected, causing not only cluttered streets and bad odors but also negative health and environmental impacts.

Overflowing garbage bins: 5 impacts on health and environment

1. Bacteria, insects and vermin thrive from garbage

Overflowing waste bins are an ideal breeding ground for bacteria, insects and vermin. The flies that visit the garbage are also the same flies that roam around your lunch buffet and drop their offsprings on your plate. By doing so, they increase the risk of you contracting with salmonella, which causes typhoid fever, food poisoning, enteric fever, gastroenteritis, and other major illnesses. Besides flies, other animals that thrive from the garbage in and around the containers include rats, foxes and stray dogs.

2. Overflowing waste causes air pollution and respiratory diseases

One of the outcomes of overflowing garbage is air pollution, which causes various respiratory diseases and other adverse health effects as contaminants are absorbed from lungs into other parts of the body. The toxic substances in air contaminated by waste include carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide and methane. In everyday life we identify the polluted air especially through bad odors, which are usually caused by decomposing and liquid waste items.

3. Garbage contaminates surface waters, which affects all ecosystems

Garbage and liquid waste that end up in water bodies negatively change the chemical composition of the water. Technically, this type of pollution is called water pollution. It affects all ecosystems existing in the water, including fish and other animals that drink the polluted water. Hazardous household waste items such as batteries, computer equipment and leftover paints can be particularly dangerous for surface waters.

4. Direct handling of overflowing waste exposes for health risks

For waste collection staff the risks of picking up and handling overflowing garbage include infections, chronic diseases and accidents. Direct contact with waste can result in skin and blood infections through infected wounds, various illnesses resulting from the bites of animals feeding on the waste, and intestinal infections transmitted by flies feeding on the waste. Picking up overflowing garbage is also risky due to sharp objects, needles and potentially hazardous waste.

5. Inefficient waste control is bad for municipal wellbeing

Besides causing all sorts of health and environmental issues, overflowing garbage is a public nuisance and eyesore. Everyone wants to live and visit places that are fresh, clean and healthy.

Article from <https://www.ecubelabs.com>

Being responsible and respectful with our community always helps!! In 2017 West Fork Village was charged over \$1,700.00 on overages services which is either an oversized item or overflowing dumpsters.

What is considered an oversized item?

A/C unit

BBQ (no propane)

Basketball hoop (6 ft or less)

Bed frame

Bookshelf

Boxspring

Bureau

Cabinet

Chair/recliner

Christmas tree

Closet doors

Computers

Dresser

Door

Dryer

Gym Sets

Carpet

Desk

Dishwasher File cabinet

Freezer

Garage door motor/track

Hutch

Ladder

Lawnmower (push type)

Mirrors (wrapped properly)

Mattress

Microwaves

Patio Chair

Patio Table

Patio Umbrella

Pool (kids' wading size)

Refrigerator

Sink

Sofa

Spa cover (cut in half)

Stereos

Stove

Table

Televisions

Toilet

Washer

Water Heater

Weight bench

Wheelbarrow

Wood (6 ft or less, bundled)

If you need to throw some trash and you find that your nearest trash area is full please take your trash to another trash area. We have 8 trash areas in our community.



DID YOU KNOW

Hot weather is almost here.... Are you planning on buy a Storm door for your condo?

- ❖ Please check what storm doors are approved, you can find the information at the office and also online at <http://www.westforkvillage.org/stormdoors/>

According to the West Fork Village covenants 15.10 Porches, Patios and courtyards may not be enclosed and may not be used for storage.



Per the 2012 International Fire Code adopted by City of Greeley Ordinance. BBQ grills cannot be used on multi family structure decks/balconies. BBQ grills may be stored on decks/balconies.

308.1.4 Open-flame cooking devices. Charcoal burners and other open-flame cooking devices shall not be operated on combustible balconies or within 10 feet (3048 mm) of combustible construction.

Exceptions:

1. One- and two-family *dwellings*.
2. Where buildings, balconies and decks are protected by an *automatic sprinkler system*.
3. LP-gas cooking devices having LP-gas container with a water capacity not greater than 21/2 pounds [nominal 1 pound (0.454 kg) LP-gas capacity].

Electric grills may be used on decks/balconies.



A Friendly Reminder

Spring is here!! Time to be out with our little special friends, please remember this:

Scoop the Poop We've all experienced it, and nothing spoils a day faster than stepping in something unpleasant.

Obey Leash Laws Just as we deserve to include our pets in our lives, there are people (and other pets) who prefer not to have our animals foisted upon them. Whether your dog has the perfect recal or not, it **should be on a leash** when on the property.

Time for Fun!!

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If you have any ideas or suggestions about what we should cover in our following newsletters, please feel free to share them with us

Thank you for always helping out our community to be a great place to live...

Your Executive Board of Directors