

Public Works Committee Report

Agenda Item: Discussion and Possible Direction Regarding the Waste Oil Tank located at 620 West Madison Avenue
Meeting Date: October 4, 2022
Presenter: Mark Langer, PE, Public Works Director
Department: City Hall

Conformance with Strategic Plan:

- Affordability & Financial Stability
- Safe, Inclusive, Welcoming Community
- Diverse Opportunities for Fun and Life-Long Learning
- High Performing Organization with Professional Staff
- Environment for Business Success with Thoughtful Growth and Development

Summary

The Public Works Department is requesting direction on the waste oil tank located at 620 West Madison Avenue.

Analysis and Key Issues

The City of Milton recently renewed its contract with Johns Disposal for refuse and recycling for five additional years. The contract now extends through 2027. Johns Disposal provides residents of Milton with a waste oil collection service available at the curb like trash and recycling. Alternatively, residents have had the option to dispose of waste oil at the waste oil tank located behind the fire station. There is no staffing at this site. Trash cans are provided for empty containers.

Several complaints to staff have been received from neighboring residents regarding the trash bins being used for items other than oil containers. During storm events the trash blows into neighboring yards and the City-owned trail between Sunset Drive and West Madison Avenue requiring pick up.

Other challenges with the waste oil site include residents placing waste oil in full containers outside of the tank rather than disposing the waste oil in the tank, oil being dumped into the containment area, possible use by non-residents or commercial users, and contamination of waste oil by products that result in higher disposal fees.

As an interim solution staff removed the trash containers and temporarily closed the waste oil collection site. A sign was installed to inform residents that Johns Disposal receives waste oil. Staff has not received any complaints since the closure of the waste oil tank.



Fiscal Impact

The current vendor that provides the waste oil disposal service is contacted on an as-needed basis. Between 2017 and 2021 the cost for waste oil disposal from the waste oil tank was approximately \$370/year. Waste oil disposal is provided to residents as part of the Johns Disposal contract.

Recommended Motion

Staff requests direction on the waste oil tank located at 620 West Madison Avenue.

Attachments

- None