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Sanitation Department Reduces Fees for Services Beginning July 1, 2014

The Canton City Municipal Sanitation Department proudly announces a reduction in fees for commercial dumpsters and for residents living outside of the City limits.

Prior to the reduction for those living close to Canton but not inside the corporation boundary, those wanting to be on service were paying nearly \$50 bimonthly. Now, residents requesting our service will pay \$37.70 bimonthly rather than the much higher previous bimonthly amount. Mark Adams, Sanitation Superintendent says, "Many people have requested our service because we provided unlimited pickup but because our prices were higher than outside contractors, it was difficult to switch over. This price reduction now makes us a financially viable solution to waste management."

The other price reduction came in the form of a nearly 25% reduction in commercial and residential dumpster rates. Adams also states, "We were simply priced out of the market for growth when it came to commercial accounts. We now have new trucks, dumpsters, and a new customer service and sales team who strive to assist in providing the best service possible to our current and future customers."

Most residents, even currently on City service don't realize the other benefits of having a municipal sanitation department. Other services provided include dumpster and roll-off rentals at prices that are well below our competitors'. For example, if a resident is performing a large cleanout of a basement, they can request a four yard dumpster to be delivered for only \$20. The department boasts rentals to fit any size cleanup including 6, 8, 15, and 20 yard containers. Something new to the department is rental dumpsters for construction and demolition material, something that was never collected by the department before.

"With the team spirit that the health and sanitation departments have created, the job is no longer picking up garbage but working together to provide a safe and clean environment for our citizens and beyond," stated Adams. "Adding in the usefulness of the recycling center on Schroyer, there are very few issues either department has not been able to resolve."

Service Director Bill Bartos said, "I would just like to say how proud I am of our Sanitation Department. We have unlimited service, pick up at vacant or abandoned properties, and have some of the hardest working crews in the city. Management and labor are making it a mission to provide a comprehensive and user-friendly service."

Additional information is available from the Canton City Sanitation: 330.489.3020 or on its Facebook page under City of Canton Municipal Sanitation Department.