

Topic: Urgent Trash issue

Special Meeting of Board of Directors. The following notice was provided to each Board member January 6th, 2022 via email.

Board Members,

I've been working with GFL yesterday and today to find a solution to the trash issues that works for both of us.

With costs (labor, fuel, dump fees, etc) going up, GFL is looking to control costs. Virtually all trash companies are moving to a model where you pay based upon volume. There is only 1 trash company I found that has not moved to a model to limit the service to ONE 96 gallon bin for trash and ONE 96 gallon bin for every other week recycle. Prices I found varied from \$66/qtr to \$90/qtr per house. We are currently paying \$40.11, so we were due for a significant price increase.

Rather than limit everyone to ONE 96 gallon trash bin, after a lot of negotiating, they will offer TWO 96 gallon bins plus ONE every other week 96 gallon recycle bin for \$51, which is still well under the lowest competitor who was \$66. It essentially increases everyone's cost by less than \$1/week and everyone will get another GFL trash bin.

From that point forward, they will only pick up what's in their branded bins because that will be how they monitor that all the trash being placed out is within the service level.

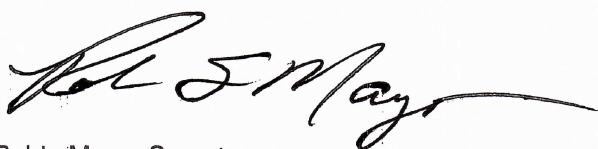
This change will increase our trash costs by \$43.56/home (less than \$1/week). We would need to look at increasing the HOA annual assessment to pay for it. I would recommend increasing the dues by \$40 to make them \$480/yr. This will be the 1st increase since 2017 and that increase was to start the trash service.

Please reply and let me know your opinion on:

- 1) Going with the \$51/qtr (\$17/week) trash services limited to TWO 96 gallon trash bins per week and ONE 96 gallon recycle bin every other week.
- 2) Increasing HOA dues by \$40 to make them \$480/year.

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- 1) The vote was unanimous to contract for the TWO 96 gallon trash bins weekly and ONE 96 gallon recycle bin every other week.
- 2) The vote was unanimous to increase the Annual Assessment \$40 help offset the increased trash costs. The Annual Assessment will be \$480/year, beginning in January 2022.



Robin Mayo, Secretary

North Hidden Lake Owners Association