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### **Jamestown BPU Approves 2015 Solid Waste Budget with Slight Increase**

The Jamestown Board of Public Utilities (BPU) voted today to approve the 2015 Solid Waste budget.

Under the 2015 budget, BPU Solid Waste customers who recycle will pay \$10.50 a billing cycle while those who do not recycle will pay \$21 per billing cycle. In effect, customers who recycle will receive a rebate of \$10.50 on the new \$21 rate. Recyclers will pay 50¢ more per billing cycle than in 2014. Residents who do not recycle will pay an additional \$1 per billing cycle.

Customers who recycle through the Residential Recycling Credit Program continue to pay less than the \$12.10 billing period rate of previous years.

In the approved 2015 solid waste budget, operating expenses are expected to increase by \$76,000. Major increases are to health insurance, depreciation, workers compensation and landfill tipping fees. Recycling software is a new cost for 2015.

The capital budget for 2015 includes a new packer truck at a cost of \$190,000; dumpsters at \$10,000 and tools/safety equipment for \$4,000.