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## Village and Town of Rhinebeck form Joint Task Force

Mayor Jim Reardon is pleased to announce that the Rhinebeck Village Board and the Rhinebeck Town Board have agreed to form a joint Task Force to explore issues surrounding solid waste collection and recycling issues. Mayor Reardon states “Currently the Village of Rhinebeck collects waste and recycling for Village residents and transports it to the county burn plant. We have determined that many of our residents do not use the Village service but instead contract with private haulers. The Town owns the transfer station which is open to both Town and Village residents. As a Village Board we continually are looking at all our business operations and seeking ways to increase efficiencies while at the same time provide the best possible service to our residents. It is our belief that an independent Task Force can conduct a detailed analysis of the current situation in both the Village and the Town, gather the facts and then make a recommendation to the Village and Town Boards on how to best operate in the future”. Reardon goes on to say “he would like to thank both the Village Board and Town Supervisor Tom Traudt and the Town Board for recognizing the importance of conducting this study. While it is too early to say whether anything will come of this it is critical that we ask the questions. If the study were to show a benefit of the two municipalities working together it would be up to the Village and Town Boards to each pass a resolution to form an inter-municipal agreement”. The task force is to be made up of both Village and Town residents. Anyone interested in serving on the Task Force may submit a letter of interest and resume to Gary Kenton at [gkenton@hvc.rr.com](mailto:gkenton@hvc.rr.com) or may call him at 845-876-2177.