

Councilman LaValle and Lake Grove Mayor Scottaline Tour the Town's Materials Recycling Facility

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Farmingville, NY - Recently, Councilman Kevin LaValle (left) and Village of Lake Grove Mayor Robert Scottaline (right) toured the Town's Materials Recycling Facility. In February, the Town and Village signed an Intermunicipal Agreement for Single Stream recycling. Since the start of the program in Brookhaven, several other municipalities have adopted the program, including the Villages of Bellport, Mastic Beach, Poquott and the Town of Southold. On January 1, the Towns of Smithtown and Huntington and the Village of Northport all implemented a Single Stream program with recyclables being processed at the Brookhaven Material Recovery Facility.

Councilman LaValle said, "Our Materials Recycling Facility is an impressive operation, and I am happy that the Mayor came by for a tour. The intermunicipal agreement will prove to be beneficial for the Town, the Village and the environment, as well as saving taxpayer dollars in the years ahead."

Increased recycling by Brookhaven residents has resulted in a 22.4% hike in recycling rates and saved the Town \$425,000 in 2014. The net savings is comprised of the revenue from the sale of recyclables and the avoided cost of disposing of material that was recycled.

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