Farmingville, NY - Recently, Supervisor Ed Romaine (left) and Councilman Kevin LaValle (center) met with Village of Lake Grove Mayor Robert Scottaline (right) to announce the signing of an Intermunicipal Agreement between the Town and Village for Single Stream Recycling. Since it's implementation 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.

"We are happy to have the Village of Lake Grove on board," said Supervisor Romaine. "I thank Mayor Scottaline for taking this important step forward and I encourage all residents to do their part for the environment and recycle."

Councilman LaValle said, "Residents throughout the Town have embraced Single Stream recycling and I am sure that the people of Lake Grove will do the same. This cooperative effort between both municipalities will benefit the environment and save 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.