



Town of Callahan Awards Residential Contract to Meridian Waste

First Florida Contract Won By Company

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (June 18, 2019) – [Meridian Waste](#), an integrated, non-hazardous solid waste services company, was awarded its first Florida residential solid waste services contract by the Town of Callahan at last night’s Town Council meeting. After a lengthy discussion regarding service options, current service quality and cost-effective options for the citizens, Meridian Waste’s proposal was selected in favor of the incumbent’s proposal.

Starting October 1, Meridian Waste will be providing once a week garbage collection utilizing a 95-gallon cart and every other week recycling collection. Yard waste and bulk waste collection services are still under consideration of staff and Council. The fee for solid waste services will be paid by the Town to Meridian Waste and remain as a line item on residential units’ water bills. New carts and detailed educational materials will be delivered in September to each home outlining the garbage and recycling guidelines as well as Meridian Waste contact information and the opportunity to sign up for service alerts.

Commercial collection will become an open market effective October 1 allowing businesses the opportunity to choose their waste hauler for the first time in over a decade. The commercial hauler must hold a Nassau County solid waste permit in order to provide service. Meridian Waste is one of the approved Nassau County solid waste haulers.

“At Meridian Waste, garbage service is more than just a competitive price, which we offered to the Town and was accepted,” said Dave Shepler, district manager of Meridian Waste. “We believe that the most important aspect is the team of environmental professionals who stand with the Company, who interact with your citizens, who keep the trucks running smoothly and on time, and who listen to customers’ needs that make a world of difference in our vital service industry. Callahan deserves quality service to keep the Town clean and healthy, and that is exactly what Meridian Waste will deliver.”

Shepler and the Meridian Waste team members are veterans of the Callahan and Nassau County market, as they have led the Nassau County operations of both Advanced Disposal and Partner Disposal for many years prior to joining forces with Meridian Waste.

The Town and Company will finalize a contract to be presented at the next Town Council Meeting in July for ratification.

About Meridian Waste

Headquartered in Greensboro, Ga., Meridian Waste is a company defined by its commitment to servicing its customers, caring for and engaging its employees, and generating financial value for its shareholders while delivering a clean and healthy community. The company's core waste business is centered on residential, commercial, and industrial non-hazardous waste collection and disposal. Currently, the company operates in St. Louis, Mo., Richmond, Va., Blacksburg, Va., Augusta, Ga., Northeast Florida and Knoxville, Tenn., servicing more than 140,000 residential, commercial, industrial and governmental customers. In addition to a fleet of commercial, residential, and roll-off trucks, the company operates one transfer station, three recycling facilities, three municipal solid waste landfills and two C&D landfills in which 955,800 tons of waste are safely disposed annually. For more information, visit MeridianWaste.com.

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