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**ARTICLE III, Collection Fees [Adopted MM-DD-YYYY by L.L. No. XX-2024]**

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**§ 150-30. Purpose.**

The need for and cost of garbage and solid waste collection and disposal within the Village of South Blooming Grove has substantially increased over recent years. The Village of South Blooming Grove Board of Trustees finds it to be in the public interest to continue to provide an additional weekly day of garbage and solid waste collection and to impose a user fee upon all real property owners to defray the cost of providing such service.

**§ 150-31. User fee established; definitions.**

All owners of real property located within the Village boundaries shall hereafter be responsible for the payment of a user fee for the collection and disposal of solid waste and garbage within the Village. Such fees may not exceed the reasonably estimated direct and indirect costs incurred by the Village for providing such services.

**§ 150-32. Fee amounts; schedule.**

- A. The Village Board of Trustees shall establish a user fee schedule for all properties included in the Village garbage and solid waste collection and disposal system. Such fees shall be billed and collected in a manner and at a time designated by resolution of the Village Board of Trustees.
- B. The user fee schedule for such services shall from time to time be fixed and/or amended by resolution of the Village of South Blooming Grove Board of Trustees. Such fees shall be in amounts designed to recoup part or all of the reasonably calculated costs that the Village incurs in providing such services. Such fees shall be the responsibility of the property owner to which the services are provided. If a bill is not paid within 31 days from the date the bill is due, a penalty of 2% shall be imposed.
- C. Unpaid fees or charges for municipal solid waste collection and/or disposal services shall be included with the annual tax levy, pursuant to and in accordance with General Municipal Law § 120-cc, as it may be amended from time to time.
- D. The Village Board may, from time to time, modify the fee schedule, copies of which shall be maintained at the Office of the Village Clerk.

**§ 150-33. Additional regulations.**

The Village of South Blooming Grove Board of Trustees may, by resolution, adopt regulations regarding the implementation and administration of this Article, including, but not limited to, exemption application procedures.

**§ 150-34. Severability; when effective.**

- A. Should any section, clause or provision of this Article be declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the validity of this Article as a whole or parts thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.
- B. This Article shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.