

**Adams-Clermont Solid Waste District
Board of Directors' Meeting**

**10:00 A.M, August 27, 2018
Batavia, Ohio**

Members in Attendance

Adams County	Clermont County
Brian Baldrige	Ed Humphrey
Ty Pell	David Painter
Diane Ward	David Uible

Attendees: Tom Eigel, Paul Braasch, Hannah Lubbers: Clermont County; Dan Wickerham: Adams Brown Recycling
At 10:13 a.m., the meeting was called to order.

1. Approval of Minutes	Mr. Baldrige asked for a motion to approve the June minutes. Mr. Painter moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Pell seconded and the motion passed without dissent.
2. Financial Report	Mr. Braasch reviewed the financial report. He noted that we had a significant expenditure on the pre-crusher & compactor purchase for AWAR. He also noted that we had a pay in from the Adams County Health Department who reimbursed us for the removal of 300 tires via contractor from the land bank property. These funds originated from left over funds from the Ohio EPA mosquito grant. Mr. Eigel asked about the District's large balance and Mr. Braasch noted we will be spending down the balance by \$150,000 for a new pre-crusher & another compactor. Mr. Painter moved to approve the financial report. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ward and passed without dissent. Mr. Braasch reviewed that the District underwent an independent state audit, which until this year was historically conducted during the Clermont County audit since they act as the fiscal agent for the District.
3. Director Report: Solid Waste Plan Update	Staff is writing the solid waste plan, which most Districts hire consultants to do. Mr. Braasch reviewed the Policy Committee (DPC) structure and explained how the Board is responsible for implementing the plan. Most of the programs will remain the same in the new plan. Mr. Braasch has proposed to ensure in-school recycling is accessible to all schools. All but three schools in Clermont County have recycling available. We will offer to pay for dumpsters if the schools allow public access to them. We also want to provide recycling containers for individual rooms. This District is working on large item disposal options for Clermont County. The only current option for Clermont residents is to go to Colerain or Georgetown, where there is a one ton minimum, of which the fee is around \$38.00. Bin There Dump

	That is interested in hosting the site. Mr. Braasch is also investigating requiring waste haulers to offer recycling for any multi-family housing units they service. This might help with the loss of drop-offs since townships are moving to curbside recycling. We could offer grants to apartment complexes to offset capital costs of infrastructure to add recycling. The DPC is meeting Sept. 5 th . The District goes through a ratification process to get the plan approved. It needs to be approved by townships & municipalities representing more than 60% of the population of each county. Additionally the largest municipality and the county commissioners have veto power. No action taken on the plan is considered a “no” vote. There is a public comment period followed by a 90 day window to approve the plan.
Bids for waste/recycling collection for Twps.	Batavia Township recently bid out waste collection to insert competition into market place. The bid was awarded to Republic. Ohio Twp. also went out to bid and awarded the contract to the sole bidder, Rumpke, which was cheaper than what most residents were currently paying for services and includes recycling and large item pick-up. Williamsburg Twp. is interested in bidding out waste collection because Republic has discontinued service in their area and they want to increase competition.
Drop-offs	We haven’t had to discontinue any additional drop-offs since the last board meeting. The Clermont County Sheriff’s surveillance of Pattison Park didn’t reveal any illegal dumping. West Union School requested a second recycling container at the campus closer to one of their buildings since their campus is so spread out.
Drop-off Liability Insurance Renewal	There is no change in price for 2018-2019 liability insurance for drop-off recycling locations. Mr. Uible moved to renew the liability insurance for \$691. The motion was seconded by Mr. Painter and passed without dissent.
CNE & Willowville End of School Project	The District conducted a pilot program of adding a two-wheeled 96 gallon cart in every classroom for the last two weeks of school. At the end of the two weeks, most of the containers were full. 1.7 tons of recyclables were collected at Merwin Elementary School and 2.4 tons collected at Clermont North Eastern. This cost the District \$1,000 to implement. We’d like to continue and expand this program but try to do so more economically. Providing janitors with two-wheeled carts permanently might help if they can transport the material to the recycling dumpsters on-site.
Compactor & Electric upgrade at AWAR	The new compactor with pre-crusher is on order and 3-phase electric will be getting installed. The District will be getting hats for AWAR employees. Commissioner Uible suggested promoting more donations during tire collection events by offering hats.
Drop-off enhancement at Manchester	A new compactor was ordered for the Manchester drop-off site. The fence was also repaired and we are helping repair the pavement. The District is trying to get assistance from the County Engineer since there is a repaving project ongoing in Manchester.
Tire Amnesty Events	Mr. Braasch estimates that 6-7,000 tires were collected during the Clermont and Adams County collection events. Even though this was the first year collecting fees, we received only one complaint and collected \$2,486.40 in fees. Going forward we will research how to increase fees to discourage those in the tire business from participating, without discouraging the clean-up of legacy tire piles.

Flood Cost recoupment status	The District expended \$15,980 to assist with debris management for the Ohio River Flood. We are still waiting to see if we will get reimbursed by the state. FEMA would not reimburse.
Republic Discontinuing service	Republic discontinued curbside waste collection service in the southeastern part of the county. They have also discontinued curbside recycling pick-up in the entire county, with the exclusion of franchised areas.
4. Adams Waste and Recycling (AWAR) Report	<p>Dan distributed the educator's report from Whitney Lawhorn. During the first half of 2018, AWAR is down 258 customers compared to the first half of 2017. Garbage is down 15% but income is up 37%, likely due to price increases. Mr. Wickerham thinks we can go up to 10 cents per pound before customers begin to get discouraged from utilizing AWAR. Tire disposal increased 46%, and \$6,600 of income has been collected. There are a couple of tire shops, including the one in Manchester, using AWAR to manage tires. The prices were adjusted this year to cover disposal costs.</p> <p>Mr. Wickerham informed the Board of the lithium ion battery incident at Adams Brown Recycling. The bucket on the loader crushed a battery causing a 1.5 feet spark, followed by a flame. The gel turns into flammable liquid when hot, which caused the fire to form three separate small fires as Mr. Wickerham tried to separate the battery from the large pile of flammable recyclables. Since this event, more safety precautions have been implemented such as adding fire extinguisher to the loaders and cleaning the floor daily to expose less flammable recyclables to the loading area. He explained how lithium primary batteries are making up the largest proportion of Li Ion batteries and recycling/disposal is problematic, costly, and dangerous.</p> <p>Cleaning the loading floor daily has increased the understanding the waste composition in separate loads. The Manchester compactor has the most contamination. Preliminary sorting results show that 1/3 of the material is bags of garbage (deliberate contamination). The Manchester Village council is going to install a camera. The previous volunteer that cycled the compactor box was great at communicating with residents about contamination and preventing this problem.</p>
5. Public Input	There was no public input.
6. Executive Session	At 11:10 am Mr. Humphrey moved to enter into executive session to consider the appointment, employment, promotion or compensation of a public employee as allowed under section 121.22, section G1, of the Ohio Revised Code. Mr. Baldrige seconded the motion and it passed without dissent. Mr. Tom Egle was invited to attend executive session. The Board returned from executive session at 11:34 am.
7. Personnel Action	Mr. Braasch submitted his resignation as Director of the Adams-Clermont Solid Waste District effective January 31 st , 2019. Mrs. Ward thanked Mr. Braasch for his service and moved to accept the resignation of Paul Braasch, effective January 31 st , 2019. Mr. Painter seconded the motion. The motion passed

	<p>with Commissioners Baldrige, Humphrey, Painter, Pell, and Ward voting yes and Commissioner Uible voting no.</p> <p>Mr. Uible moved to allow Clermont County to post and fill the position. The motion was seconded by Mr. Baldrige and passed without dissent.</p>
<p>8. Schedule Next meeting/Adjournment</p>	<p>The next meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on December 17, 2018 in Adams County. Mr. Painter moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:40. The motion was seconded by Mr. Humphrey and passed without dissent.</p>