

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

**11:00 a.m., December 17, 2018
West Union, Ohio**

Members in Attendance

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

Attendees: Paul Braasch, Lyle Bloom, Connie Miller, Tom Eigel, Emily McAfee, Lindsey Aranyos: Clermont County;
Dan Wickerham & Whitney Lawhorn: Adams Brown Recycling; Brent Ball: Rumpke.

At 10:57 a.m., the meeting was called to order.

1. Approval of Minutes	Mrs. Ward asked for a motion to approve the August minutes. Mr. Pell moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Painter seconded and the motion passed without dissent.
2. Solid Waste Director Replacement	At 11:08 a.m., Mrs. Ward 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. Uible seconded the motion and it passed without dissent. Mr. Bloom, Mr. Braasch and Mr. Eigel were invited to attend executive session. The Board returned from executive session at 11:30 a.m. A motion was made by Mr. Pell to recommend Hannah Lubbers as the new Director for the Adams/Clermont Solid Waste Board with a start date of 2/1/2019 at the rate of \$80,000.00 per year with no 2018 merit pay increase applied 2019, and all 12 months in 2019 be used to calculate 2019 merit in 2020. Mrs. Ward seconded and the motion passed without dissent.
3. Financial Report	Mr. Braasch reviewed the financial report. Pointed out the significant capital purchase for AWAR and explained the general billing invoices (GB invoice) on the cash activity report. Mr. Uible moved to approve the financial report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Painter and

	passed without dissent.
4. 2019 Budget	Mr. Braasch explained the need for four new compactors in 2019 along with a new litter crew truck. Mr. Uible moved to approve the 2019 budget. Mr. Baldrige seconded the motion and it passed without dissent.
5. 2019 Contracts	<p>Same annual renewal of contracts at the same rate and scope as previous years with exception of a 2% increase for Municipal Court, due to salary increases and 4% increase for Rumpke in 2019 due to diminishing prices for recyclables.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clermont Municipal Court (Litter, Drop-off, Recycling processing, Adopt-a-Spot) • Adams-Brown Recycling – Awar management • Adams-Brown Recycling – Adams County Drop-off transportation and processing • Adams-Brown Recycling – Adams County Education Program • Clermont Soil & Water District – Clermont Education Program • Valley View Foundation – Community Litter Events • Rumpke - Clermont County Drop-off transportation and processing <p>Mr. Pell moved for a motion to authorize the Director to enter into these contracts. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ward and passed without dissent.</p>
6. Refreshment Resolution	Mr. Braasch explained that it was needed to cover the cost of board lunches and district policy committee meetings as we ask these individuals to serve without compensation and usually hold meeting during or near meal times. Mr. Uible moved to approve the refreshments resolution. Mr. Baldrige seconded the motion and it passed without dissent.
7. Directors Report	<p>Solid Waste Plan Update - Mr. Braasch said the district has received comments back from OEPA on the draft Adams-Clermont Solid Waste Plan revision. The only substantial comment was about raising the generation fee. Proposed language said there would be a \$.50 fee increase in 2019 and another \$.50 may be implemented in 2021 if needed at the discretion of the Board. OEPA said the language needs to be definitive, there can be no discretion, and either the fee has to be raised or needs to be taken out altogether. Mr. Braasch asked what happens if it is put in the Plan but not implemented, and he was told, we would be in violation of our Plan. The Policy Committee will meet in January to approve the changes. The Plan will focus on increasing school recycling, continuing drop-offs, existing programs, tire collection.</p> <p>Drop-offs – We have not lost any other drop off locations since last meeting but as always, illegal dumping is still a problem. The Solid Waste District is working with the OEPA and other Southwest Ohio Solid Waste Districts to come up with a regional Plan to help discourage illegal dumping and abuse of the drop-offs and curbside recycling programs.</p>

	<p>AWAR road resurface partnership request - Tiffin Township would like to apply for a grant to resurface the Trefz Road from Compton Hill to AWAR. The grant is a 50/50 match with Tiffin giving 25% of match and the ACSWD giving the other 25% of the match with a current estimate of \$50,000 total. Mr. Eigel said to be sure to check with the Prosecutors office to make sure the Solid Waste District was allowed to use money for roads. Mr. Braasch assured the Board it was an allowable expense under ORC even though Solid Waste Generation Fees are restricted as to their use, this is one of the allowable expenditures. Mr. Braasch was asked to double check just to be sure even though it is spelled out. Mr. Uible asked, if there was a particular grant that they were considering? The answer was nothing has been decided yet. The Township wanted to be sure that the Board would be ok with helping. The Township will be applying and ACSWD will be helping to increase the match percentage to make it more likely to get funded.</p> <p>Authorize Director to Apply for Grants, specifically with OEPA, Recycling Partnership Grants - Mr. Uible moved to authorize the Director and the President of the Board to sign grant applications. The motion was seconded by Mr. Painter and passed without dissent.</p> <p>Substantial curbside recycling increase in Clermont: Curbside recycling was made available in 2018 at no additional cost to all residents in Washington, Franklin, Tate, Jackson, Wayne, Goshen, Batavia, Monroe, Ohio, & Williamsburg [not Miami, Union, Stonelick or Jackson Twps].</p>
8. AWAR Report	<p>Mr. Wickerham recycling is down 4% with customers being down 11% and trash is down 16%. Still charging \$0.08 per pound some trash is not charged-litter crew and discounts for large haulers. Revenue is up 23% from last year likely due to our price rise from \$.07 to \$.08/lb. We have been gradually increasing the price and we may be at a sweet spot (diminishing law of returns). We will keep monitoring costs and customer use and no adjustments are planned in 2019. Brown County to start working on the Solid Waste Plan which is a very extensive usually taking two years to complete. Brown and Adams-Clermont are two of the few counties in Ohio that do not contract writing their Plan out.</p>
9. Public Input	<p>Mr. Ball said how much he enjoyed working with Mr. Braasch said that he was a great asset to the recycling community and he will be missed. Mr. Baldrige thanked Mr. Braasch said that his heart was always involved and very knowledgeable. Mr. Uible stated that Mr. Braasch talks the talk and walks the walk, very big shoes to fill and he will be missed. Mrs. Lawhorn – Education Specialist with Adams Brown Recycling said that they had the mobile recycling display at the Adams County Fair, has had radio shows and participated in the Adams County Conservation</p>

	days along with articles in the paper for education on recycling. Next year she is looking into working with the Ohio Valley CTC for recycling education and they are still working out the details with them.
10. Schedule Next meeting/Adjournment	The next meeting is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on March 11, 2019 in Clermont County. Mr. Baldrige moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:11 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Painter and passed without dissent.