

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

**10:30 a.m., April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Batavia**

**Members in Virtual Attendance**

<b>Adams County</b>	<b>Clermont County</b>
Ty Pell	Claire Corcoran
Diane Ward	David Painter
Barbara Moore	Bonnie Batchler

**Attendees:** Hannah Lubbers, Laura Lair, Greg Bickford, Lindsey Aranyos, Jennifer Haley; Clermont County  
Warren Trefz, Rachel Brown; Adams Brown Recycling; Adams County  
Dan Wickerham; Public

The meeting was called to order at 10:37am after experiencing technical difficulties with Zoom.

1. Approval of Minutes	Mr. Painter moved to approve the minutes from the February 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2021 meeting. Ms. Batchler seconded and the motion passed without dissent.
2. Financial Report	Ms. Lubbers reviewed the financial report. She said that there is nothing out of the ordinary to report. Rumpke invoice was a little higher due to Christmas overflow recycling. The fund history is enclosed. Mr. Painter asked for an explanation of the nomenclature of the vendor description "Clermont County OEQ." Hannah explained that "OEQ" means "Office of Environmental Quality." Since Munis was down for a period of time, some lines are not showing as much detail as usual. Mrs. Ward moved to approve the financial report. Mr. Painter seconded and the motion passed without dissent.

<p>3. Designation</p>	<p>2021 Designation update was given by Hannah. The Covington transfer station was formerly owned by Republic, but has recently been acquired by Rumpke. Rumpke is now responsible for remitting generation fees to us. They have not remitted generation fees to us since they acquired the transfer station so a designation agreement with Rumpke for the Covington Transfer Station is needed.</p> <p>We also need to amend the resolution of final designation to include the City of Wilmington. Mr. Pell moved to approve amending the resolution. Ms. Moore seconded and the motion passed without dissent.</p> <p>Some designation agreements from 2009 were not signed by the Board President, and there is also not a record of approval by the Board to sign these agreements. Hannah requested authorization of the Board President to sign contracts. The contracts include Evendale, Rumpke (Pendleton, Beech Hollow, Brown Co., Hamilton Co., Covington), Republic (Evendale, Covington), Evergreen, Defiance Co., Pike Co., and Wilmington. Ms. Ward moved to approve the authorization. Mr. Painter seconded, and the motion passed without dissent. David painter asked if all generation fees are the same. Hannah answered that contracts specify that we can increase our fees if we give notice. We have given notice of updated generation fees to designated facilities.</p>
<p>4. New Position</p>	<p>Ms. Lubbers proposed a new position under the Clermont County Office of Environmental Quality to be funded fully by ACSWD. This position would support apartment recycling, drop off recycling, and a large item and hazardous waste drop off location, and other duties. The employee would be a Clermont County employee, funded by the ACSWD. Hannah projected ACSWD's budget for 10 years and compared our District to other similar districts. Most districts similar to ours have 4-5 SWD employees. Ms. Lubbers requested authorization to work with the Clermont County BCC and HR to finalize the position description, post the job, and conduct interviews for OEQ Project Manager for ACSWD. Mr. Pell moved to approve the position. Mr. Painter seconded, and the motion passed without dissent.</p>
<p>5. Director's Report</p>	<p>Ms. Lubbers gave the Director's report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trefz Rd. construction – During the Compton Hill Road closure there is a detour (not posted) so customers will still be able to reach AWAR transfer facility. The Trefz Rd.</li> </ul>

repaving will likely only result in 1-2 days of full road closure and the County Engineer is aiming to close on the day Awar is closed so as to cause minimal disruption.

- Oliver Twp. is almost ready to host a drop-off recycling container.
- School waste reduction: end-of-school recycling programming will start in May for one school so far.
- Grants update
  - We have not heard about the 2020-2021 OEPA Recycling and Litter Grant. We expect to hear a decision in May. Hannah requested approval for the board president to sign the grant agreement if we are awarded. Ms. Moore moved to approve the request. Mr. Painter seconded and the motion passed without dissent.
  - Goshen Twp. is interested in collecting tires at their community cleanup event. Hannah requests authorization to spend up to \$10,000 on tire collection at township junk days for the month of June, 2021. Mr. Painter moved to approve the request. Ms. Batchler seconded, and the motion passed without dissent.
  - Hannah presented the second Pattison Park recycling sort results (follow-up to the sort done one year ago)
    - After educational outreach, we saw 40.7% increase in recyclables. We saw a 40.7% decrease in contamination.
    - There was a 19.4% decrease in bagged material.
  - Hannah was assigned a Lieutenant at the Sheriff's office to contact regarding recycling contamination and four illegal dumpers have been contacted to date.
  - Website Recycling Tool: Continuous improvements are being made. Bill recently added more Adams-Brown recycling information to a few areas of the tool and the link has been shared with Adams County for their website.

Ms. Moore moved to approve the Director's report. Ms. Batchler seconded, and the motion passed without dissent.

<p>6. Authorize clothing drop-off at AWAR</p>	<p>Ms. Brown spoke about the need for a clothing donation box at AWAR. Recently, the Recycling Specialist has noticed clothing being set beside recycling drop off boxes as if intended for someone in need. Rachel looked into what options are available for keeping these clothes in the local community, but she could not find an option that would work for us. Rachel found a nonprofit called Planet Aid that would provide a clothing donation box for us at AWAR. The donation box would be behind the gates at AWAR, so there would not be an opportunity for people to illegally dump at the donation box. The Planet Aid donation box does not cost anything – no cost to have the box delivered, and no cost to have the contents picked up. The textiles collected in the boxes are sold to developing countries, and all proceeds from the sale of the textiles goes into educational and career programming in those countries. Ms. Ward moved to approve the Planet Aid clothing drop-off box at AWAR contingent upon sufficient insurance coverage. Mr. Painter seconded, and the motion passed without dissent.</p>
<p>7. AWAR Report</p>	<p>Mr. Trefz gave the report for AWAR.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pounds of garbage collected is close to the same as this quarter last year. It is only down by 2%. Tire collection is up at 39%. Collection of appliances has dropped due to fees being collected for Freon bearing appliances. The cost to dispose of a refrigerator is \$10, AC unit is \$5.</li> <li>- Money back to the community from buy back: there has been a drop in customers coming in to sell materials (about 50%). This is partially due to the pandemic, but it is also due to AWAR reducing the number of days they are open for buy-back.</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Batchler moved to approve the AWAR report. Mr. Pell seconded, and the motion passed without dissent.</p>
<p>8. Public Input</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>9. Schedule next meeting</p>	<p>Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 in West Union. Mr. Painter moved to adjourn today's meeting at 11:27 a.m. Ms. Batchler seconded, and the motion passed without dissent.</p>