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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Adams Clermont Joint Solid Waste District Clermont County 4400 Haskell Lane Batavia, Ohio 45103

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Directors and the management of Adams Clermont Joint Solid Waste District (the District), on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the District's cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the District. The District is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the District. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

#### Cash

- Clermont County is custodian for the District's deposits, and therefore the County's deposit and investment pool holds the District's assets. We compared the District's fund balances reported on its December 31, 2019 Basic Financial Report to the balances reported in Clermont County's accounting records. The amounts agreed.
- We agreed the January 1, 2018 beginning fund balances recorded in the Basic Financial Report to the December 31, 2017 balances in the prior year documentation in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2019 beginning fund balances recorded in the Basic Financial Report to the December 31, 2018 balances in the Basic Financial Report. We found no exceptions.

# **Tipping Fees and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts**

1. We confirmed the amounts paid from the Rumpke Waste Services to the District during 2019 and 2018. They confirmed payment of the following amounts to the District:

Company	2019 Payments	2018 Payments
Rumpke Waste Services	432,192.93	418,179.87

- a. We compared the amount confirmed with the amount the District recorded in its receipt records. We found no exceptions.
- b. We inspected the MUNIS Receipt Ledgers to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.

- c. We inspected the MUNIS Receipt Ledgers to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We obtained the April 2018 and April 2019 total tonnage reports from the landfill in procedure 1.
  - a. We recalculated the dollar amount sent to the District based on the rates in force during the period and agreed to the amounts posted to the Districts ledgers. We observed no exceptions.

## Debt

- 1. The prior agreed-upon procedures documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2017.
- 2. We inquired of management, and inspected the MUNIS Receipt Ledgers and MUNIS Expenditure Ledgers for evidence of debt issued during 2019 or 2018 or debt payment activity during 2019 or 2018. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2019 or 2018.

# **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected one payroll check for the District's four employees from 2019 and one payroll check for the District's two employees from 2018 from the Payroll Detail Check History Report and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary amount recorded in the Payroll Detail Check History Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
  - b. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine if they were reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
  - c. For any new employees selected, we compared whether the following information in the employees' personnel files was consistent with the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check:
    - i. Name
    - ii. Authorized salary or pay rate and departments and funds to which the check should be charged
    - iii. Retirement system, Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization and withholding

We found no exceptions related to procedures i. – iii. above.

2. Testing of remittances of withholdings is not applicable for the Solid Waste District. The District has a fiscal agent, Clermont County, for its payroll transaction processing. All withholdings are reflected in the County's payroll registers and journals which are automated. The remittance of withholdings is performed by the County for taxes, including the federal 941 form, and pension. This is tested as part of the County's annual audits. There is a not a unique Form 941 or pension withholdings remittance for the District.

# **Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected 10 disbursements from the MUNIS Expenditure Ledgers for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 10 from the year ended 2018 and determined whether:
  - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
  - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the MUNIS Expenditure Ledgers and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
  - c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
  - d. The fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then and Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.28(B)(2).
  - e. The disbursement was allowable under Ohio Rev. Code Section 3734.57(G), and the Districts policies and procedures. We found no exceptions.

# **Compliance – Budgetary**

- 1. Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.28(B)(2) and 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations (Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38 and 5705.40) plus any carryover appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 for the General fund. We observed that expenditures did not exceed appropriations.
- 2. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund Report for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 for negative cash fund balance. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10 (I) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. We observed no funds having negative cash fund balances.

## **Sunshine Law Compliance**

- 1. We obtained and inspected the District's Public Records Policy to determine the policy did not limit the number of responses that may be made to a particular person, limit the number of responses during a specified period of time, or establish a fixed period of time before it will respond unless that period is less than eight hours. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any completed public records requests during the engagement period.
- 3. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any denied public records requests during the engagement period.
- 4. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any public records requests with redactions during the engagement period.
- 5. We inquired whether the District has a records retention schedule, and observed that it is readily available to the public. We found no exceptions.

- 6. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager. We found no exceptions.
- We inspected the District's policy manual and determined the public records policy was included. We found no exceptions.
- 8. We observed that the District's poster describing their Public Records Policy was displayed conspicuously in all branches of the District. We found no exceptions.
- 9. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
- 10. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any elected officials subject to the Public Records Training requirements during the engagement period.
- 11. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the District notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period are to be held. We found no exceptions.
- 12. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period and determined whether they were:
  - a. Prepared a file is created following the date of the meeting
  - b. Filed placed with similar documents in an organized manner
  - c. Maintained retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period
  - d. Open to public inspection available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

- 13. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period and determined the following:
  - a. Executive sessions were only held at regular or special meetings.
  - b. The purpose for the meetings and going into an executive session (when applicable) correlated with one of the matters listed in Ohio Rev. Code Section 121.22(G).
  - c. Formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings.

We found no exceptions.

## **Other Compliance**

Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires these districts to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the District filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the District's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is to provide assistance in the evaluation of the District's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

July 13, 2020





# ADAMS – CLERMONT JOINT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

## **CLERMONT COUNTY**

## **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 30, 2020