ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL BOARD (ACB) – WASATCH FRONT WASTE AND RECYCLING DISTRICT (WFWRD) MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

DATE/TIME	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
May 24, 2021 9:00 a.m. Next Board Meeting June 28, 2021 9:00 a.m.	Public Works Building 604 W 6960 S Midvale, UT 84047	Board Members: Anna Barbieri, Scott Bracken, Jim Bradley, Dwight Marchant, Diane Turner Participating electronically: Catherine Harris (through Agenda 3.3), Kris Nicholl (through Agenda 3.3), Sherrie Ohrn, Patrick Schaeffer, Tessa Stitzer (starting in Agenda 3.2), Keith Zuspan Excused: Excused: Kay Dickerson, Daniel Gibbons, Brint Peel, District & Support Staff: Anthony Adams, Rachel Anderson, David Ika, Paul Korth, Ethan Morris, Andrea Murdock, Pam Roberts Participating electronically: Participating electronically: Craig Adams Public: Neil Boyd (Herriman), Participating electronically: Patrick Craig (Salt Lake County), Justun Edwards (Herriman City Staff), Trever Hansen (Unincorporated County Resident), Jennifer Kennedy (Murray City Staff), Melissa Kotter (On Track Solutions), Ron Stewart (Gilbert & Stewart, CPA)
AGENDA		

Call to Order: Scott Bracken, Board Chair

1. Consent Items:

- 1.1. April 26, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes (Motion & Approve)
- 2. Meeting Open for Public Comments: (Comments are limited to 3 minutes)

3. Business Items

- 3.1. 2020 Independent Auditor's Report: Paul Korth, Finance Director; and Ron Stewart, Gilbert & Steward CPAs (Informational)
- **3.2.** Transferring Collections Services for Horizon Heights Multi-Unit Condo Complex, Effective Tuesday, July 27, 2021: Pam Roberts, General Manager (Direction/Approval)
- 3.3. Sustainability Team Recycling Report: Ethan Morris, Sustainability Coordinator (Informational)

- **3.4.** Recommended Salary Market Adjustments for Equipment Operators and Lead Equipment Operators, and Compression Adjustments: Pam Roberts; Andrea Murdock, Human Resources (HR) Manager; and Melissa Kotter, HR Consultant (**Approval Requested**)
- 3.5. Policy Revisions for Private Roads Adding an Appeal Process: Rachel Anderson, Legal Counsel; and Pam Roberts (Direction/Approval)
- **3.6.** Appointments for the Ad Hog Committee for Private Road Appeals (Appointments)
- 3.7. Update on Municipal Support for WFWRD Reorganization: Pam Roberts (Informational/Direction)
- 3.8. Recommendations for Board Meeting & Associated Technology Needs: Pam Roberts; and Anthony Adams, Board Clerk (Discussion/Direction)

4. Closed Session (If Needed)

The Administrative Control Board may temporarily recess the meeting to convene in a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual, pending or reasonable imminent litigation, and the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, or other legally applicable reasons as provided by Utah Code Annotated §52-4-205.

5. Other Board Business

This time is set aside to allow board members to share and discuss topics.

6. Requested Items for the Next Board Meeting on Monday, June 28th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.:

- Review Current Cash Balances and Cash Projections
- Review Current Waste and Recycling Services Fee Comparisons
- General Manager's Report
 - o Area Cleanup Status Report
 - Filling Vacant Allocations
 - Private Roads
- Listing of Properties Released from Tax Sale

TOPICS/ Objectives	KEY POINTS/ DECISIONS	ACTION ITEMS Who – What – By when	STATUS
1. Consent Items			
1.1 April 26, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes		 Motion to Approve the Minutes by: Board Member Marchant Seconded by: Board Member Turner Vote: All in favor (of Board Members present) 	Approved May 24, 2021
2. Meeting Open for Public Comments	(Comments are limited to 3 minutes)		
	 Neil Boyd, Board President of the Horizon Heights Condominium Owners Association, in Herriman, followed up on his public comments from last month regarding the discontinuation of services. He requested more than three minutes for his comments, and also requested permission to respond during agenda 3.2. Board Chair Bracken directed Mr. Boyd to conduct his discussion during his public comment. Mr. Boyd clarified that there are two separate associations in the area affected by the proposed cessation of services, and also clarified the legal status of the association he represents, and described the reasonings why WFWRD should continue to provide collection services to the condominiums within the association he represents. Trever Hansen, from Dell Haven Lane, was present but delegated his comments to Board Member Bradley, for discussion/presentation at the appropriate time. 	Board Chair Bracken directed Mr. Boyd to forward the materials he had for presentation to Pam Roberts. It would then be forwarded for legal advisement.	

Director; and Ron Stewart, Gilbert & Stewart CPAs (Informational)Gilbert & Stewart, CPAs, A released the Comprehensive He introduced Ron Stewart, CPAs, who conducted the in added that WFWRD rotates and this is the third year that this annual audit.Ron Stewart briefly reviewe WFWRD, which includes va financial statements are mata internal controls are designe working; and reviews state aMr. Stewart announced that statements have been validal correct, including cash, inve receivables, pensions, and O employment benefits) liabili assets, prepaid expenses, and significant number of review compared to prior years' fin Independent Auditor's Repo opinion," which is the best or receive.Opinions are not given on re but they are evaluated and the deficiency or material weakt		
	This audit was performed by additionally, we have e Annual Financial Report. , from Gilbert & Stewart, ndependent audit. Paul s auditors every three years, at this firm has conducted ed the audit process for rerifying that the district's terially correct; reviews that ed, implemented, and auditing compliance. WFWRD's financial tted and are materially estments, accounts DPEB (other post- ities. It also includes capital id accounts payable. A ws are conducted and nancial statements. The ort reflects an "unmodified opinion an organization can eviews of internal controls, ested. No instances of	
and working effectively. For state auditor compliance budgetary compliance, fund		

	assessment, open & public meetings, and the public treasurer's bond. In the auditor's opinion, WFWRD is in compliance with state requirements, as of December 31, 2020. Mr. Stewart concluded by praising WFWRD staff for their cooperation with the audit process. Pam confirmed that a new request for bid will take place for a new auditor this year.	
 3.2. Transferring Collections Services for Horizon Heights Multi-Unit Condo Complex, Effective July 27, 2021: Pam Roberts, General Manager (Direction/Approval) 	Pam agreed that WFWRD has been servicing homes on private roads, both in and out of Homeowner Associations (HOAs). She and Rachel Anderson (WFWRD's legal counsel) have been scrubbing our resolutions and adding definitions to our policy manual related to servicing private roads.	
	Pam clarified that the Horizon Heights condominium complex is excluded from our service obligations because it is multi-unit complex with more than four units to each building, and on a private road. WFWRD originally overstepped in this instance, and we are working to transition this complex to a private service provider. She reviewed similar complexes that WFWRD has transitioned to private collection within the past several months, which have a similar property setup. We are obligated to service homes, up to a four- plex, on public roads. Anything beyond that is outside of our mandate and would require a contract to provide services, even if we have provided services to those residents for years.	
	It has been discovered that some of the private developers have been incorrectly listing WFWRD as the sanitation provider for these private neighborhoods. We worked with these developers and the city to	

correct that information to avoid confusion once we	
discovered the error.	
There is another section within Horizon Heights which	
includes single family dwellings and townhomes, and	
not condominiums. These homes are under a separate	
HOA; and even though some homes are on a public	
road, they are still within that private HOA, which	
excludes them from our service obligation. This HOA	
has already begun the process to transfer sanitation	
services to a private company.	
Board Member Barbieri commented that more of these	
types of complexes will be created in all of the	
municipalities, with some on private roads. Pam	
confirmed that these complexes should be referred to	
private haulers, going forward. We are not accepting	
any new homes on private roads. Board Chair Bracken	
added that staff will continue to audit all of the	
municipalities' private roads for which we are currently	
providing services, to determine if WFWRD should or	
can continue to provide those services.	
Board Member Bradley stated that sanitation has	
always been a public service provided by a	
governmental entity. Even after breaking away from the	
county, we still have that obligation. We should view	
things differently than if we were a private corporation.	
If it is appropriate and possible, we should provide	
these services to everyone regardless of whether they	
are on a public or private road. The Salt Lake Valley is	
becoming more dense and complex. We need higher	
density housing to accommodate the growth. We	
shouldn't draw a line in the sand for private	
developments. Conversely, we should not be going	
where it is dangerous or not possible. We need a	
subjective process to evaluate current and new	
developments. He shared an example of Dell Haven	

Lane, off of Dimple Dell Road. Board Member Harris	
agreed and indicated that there is no coordination with	
municipal permitting or planning services. Safety is the	
overwhelming concern.	
Rachel clarified some points in the discussion, and	
stated that we are limited by our creation resolution.	
The policies have been crafted to provide operational	
direction within the bounds of the resolution. The ACB	
is the policy making entity for WFWRD. Pam, and her	
team, are the administrators/implementors of the	
policies. We don't want situations where we bring	
operational decisions to the board every month. This is	
Pam's role. This is why we are working to create a	
policy that reflects the board's desires within the	
bounds of the resolution which created WFWRD. This	
is also related to the issue of transitioning WFWRD to a	
local district. If we want to change our organizational	
business model, we have to go back to the Salt Lake	
County Council for that change until we become a local	
district. Pam and her team are also working to identify	
all areas, within the district, which fall outside of those	
areas. This is in line with our current charter. Arbitrary	
decisions should not be made based on individual	
appeal. It should be equally applied based on clear	
policy.	
Rachel further identified that planned unit	
developments (PUDs) do not have a global definition,	
but are defined by each municipality. These are where	
narrower streets may be designed and could cause	
challenges for our services in these areas when we are	
not consulted. This would be a great opportunity for us	
to be more involved in these development plans, on a	
municipal level. Board Chair Bracken commented that	
the planning commissions are generally outside of our	
purview. It would certainly help to have input on these	
high-density developments. This should be discussed at	

3.3. Sustainability Team Recycling Report: Ethan Morris, Sustainability Coordinator (Informational)	 a later meeting. Pam commented that developers typically work with private haulers during this process. With the confusion in Herriman, developers assumed that we would provide the service, but we weren't contacted or consulted. Rachel concluded by indicating that we do not have authorization to drive on private roads. This is another reason to have contracts in place for our services. Board Member Marchant inquired if Horizon Heights would meet our qualification if not for a technicality. Pam confirmed that it is not merely a technicality, and Horizon Heights does not meet qualification for us to provide services to their community. In the past we have not accepted multi-building and multi-unit complexes on a private road. This did not occur until the quick development in the southwest area of the valley where we did not have mechanisms in place to perform checks and balances. She confirmed the staff's desire to let this community go and follow the precedence that has been set. Board Member Marchant voiced support of consistent guidelines for our service areas. Rachel indicated that this direction is not unique to WFWRD. In all municipalities, they do not go on private roads to collect waste or plow snow. These are all privately contracted by the residents or an association. Board Member Turner stated that we cannot be all things to all people, and agreed on Pam's request/recommendation. Pam stated that the recycling markets have calmed down recently. She introduced WFWRD's Sustainability Coordinator, Ethan Morris. Ethan confirmed that there is a lot of good news in recycling. 	Motion to Transfer Horizon Heights Condominiums to a Private Hauler, Effective July 27th by: Board Member Turner Seconded by: Board Member Barbieri Vote: Board Members Barbieri, Bracken, Harris, Marchant, Ohrn, Nicholl, Schaeffer, Stitzer, Turner, and Zuspan in favor. Board Member Bradley opposed.	Approved May 24, 2021
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Ethan reviewed the current 2021 recycling tonnages		
and calculated that each resident is disposing		
approximately 40 pounds of recycling each month. He		
reviewed the clean/contamination rates for each		
municipality for 2021. The district's overall		
contamination average is 25.48%. He added that this		
information shows us where we can focus educational		
efforts to help reduce contamination. These efforts will		
increase during the summer. Board Member Marchant		
requested future reports to show the history of change		
for municipalities.		
Ethan described the process to obtain contamination		
percentages by monthly "sample sorts." There is a		
sample sort conducted for each municipality every		
month. Magna and Kearns are currently combined, but		
starting in June, Waste Management will conduct		
sample sorts for these two municipalities separately.		
Pam pointed out that paper and cardboard are the		
highest quantities of recyclable commodities that we		
collect, and they have been performing well in the		
commodities markets. Ethan confirmed that these		
commodities have increased \$10 per ton. This is due to		
supply and demand. He also stated that they are the		
easiest commodities to contaminate. With our		
consistent educational efforts, he expects to see a		
reduction in recycling contamination. He also provided		
guidance on specific recycling questions for private or		
commercial entities. Markets and customers are		
demanding and supporting more sustainable packaging.		
The demand for certain recycled plastics is expected to		
increase through 2028, due to demand for automotive		
and construction purposes. Also, scrap metal is doing		
well. Glass is not included in this report, but is doing	Ethan will prepare an updated report that	
well since that market is local, within the state of Utah.	includes glass.	

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	Ethan described how WFWRD works directly with	
	residents to educate them on recycling, including spot-	
	checking cans on the street before they're collected to	
	identify any contamination. Cans are tagged if there is	
	an issue with the contents of a can so that the resident is	
	better educated for the future. We have seen positive	
	results with this process. He added that containers	
	should only require a small amount of water to swish	
	around to clean them out. If it requires more, such as a	
	peanut butter container, it is not worth the work and	
	resources to clean it out. We should not use other	
	valuable resources to clean out a recyclable container.	
	Ethan announced that he is working with Samantha	
	DeSeelhorst, Associate Planner & Sustainability	
	Analyst for Holladay, Cottonwood Heights, and	
	Millcreek, to develop a Millcreek Recycling	
	Development Zone. This would increase recycling	
	resources, via tax credits, to businesses within this	
	zone.	
	Recycling educational resources and statistics were	
	discussed, including WFWRD's mobile application,	
	recycling guide, the "Recycle Right" online tool, social	
	media recycling tips, and virtual classroom visits. Ethan	
	also reviewed WFWRD's planned community summer	
	event participation.	
	Ethan stated that recycling should not be bagged, even	
	in paper bags. Recycling centers will not take the time	
	to open bags to empty the contents. They will just be	
	sent to the landfill.	
3.4. Recommended Salary Market	Melissa provided some background on the Equipment	
Adjustments for Equipment	Operator position, starting with the 2018 market	
Operators and Lead Equipment	adjustment. Even with the 1.5% adjustment in 2021,	
Operators and Lead Equipment Operators, and Compression	this is still not enough to attract and retain needed staff.	
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Adjustments: Andrea Murdock,	Current market data was reviewed, and it was	
HR Manager; and Melissa Kotter,	discovered that the midpoint market rate was 5.6%	
HR Consultant (Approval	higher than our current pay plan. Due to this increase, it	
Requested)	is recommended that the Equipment Operator and Lead	
	Equipment Operator positions be adjusted to better	
	align with the markets. This quick market change is	
	also compounded due to the very low unemployment	
	rate within the state, leading to high competition to fill	
	these positions. Andrea confirmed that employee	
	recruitment and retention has been difficult this year.	
	Melissa further explained how these adjustments have	
	impacted pay compression for the Collection	
	Supervisor and Collection Manager positions. To	
	address this, Melissa is recommending the starting pay	
	for these two positions to start at the 25 th percentile on	
	the pay scale. This brings these positions closer to	
	market quicker, and will help bring pay equity to all	
	positions. The proposed percentage increase would be	
	part of the employee's 2021 merit increase. She	
	confirmed that the market data obtained was from local	
	and regional data and surveys, including public and	
	private industries, so that it is applicable to our needs.	
	Pam restated that Equipment Operator, Lead Equipment	
	Operator, and Area Cleanup are the most difficult to	
	recruit and retain as CDL (commercial driver's license)	
	drivers. The annual maximum for this increase is	
	\$228,439. This would kick off in the first pay period in	
	June. For 2021, starting in June, the increased amount	
	for fulltime staff, including benefits, is \$122,880. To	
	include Area Cleanup staff, the grand total for 2021 is	
	\$136,413. She requested approval for this increase, and	
	also the increase in starting pay for Equipment Operator	
	and Area Cleanup positions.	
	Melissa explained the plan for future phases of market	
	adjustments. This would include credit for previous	
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 allowing n related exp Industry-sp credit, whi specific we experience years, whi percentile, Equipment grow withi Phase two Equipment identify ex adjustment until we co three woul within WF implement Board Cha competitio our collect services if recycling, valuable en run. Board this researd comments. Policy Revisions for Private Roads Adding an Appeal Process: Rachel Anderson, Legal Counsel; and Pam Roberts (Direction/ 	ted experience. The first phase would be w applicants credit on the pay scale for rience to enhance their starting salary. cific experience would be given 100% related experience that is not industry- Id be given 50% credit for years of Years of experience would be capped at 10 would place an applicant at the 75 th qualing a starting wage of \$24.83 for an Derator. This still allows employees to the salary range. vould be the same process, but with current Derators. A form will be completed to erience, and it will be a one-time salary The cost for this phase will not be known eet this data from current employees. Phase follow this process for all other positions <i>RD</i> . This third phase would be 1 in the 2022 budget year. Bracken commented that there is a lot of for employees with the needed skills for n drivers. We can't provide the needed te don't have staff to collect trash and his proposed plan will acquire and retain ployees. This will save money in the long Vice Chair Ohrn expressed her gratitude for and concurred with Board Chair Bracken's ated that due to requests from board ditional reviews have been conducted on r private roads. As a result, areas for arification have been identified. The age includes the concept of excluded

mandate. She referenced the discussion during Agenda	
3.2 of today's meeting. She clarified that homes on a	
public road, but within an HOA would be listed in the	
excluded category to reduce financial and jurisdictional	
confusion with those homes. This situation, however, is	
extremely rare. She further explained that it would not	
apply to homes that were not originally PUDs.	
She reviewed the proposed appeal process, and the	
creation of an ad hoc ACB subcommittee to address	
private road appeals. This subcommittee will review the	
General Manager's decision and determine if policies	
were applied correctly, not to grant exceptions to the	
policy.	
Board Member Bradley restated that we should assume	
that we provide residential collection services,	
irrespective of the classification of where they live. He	
understands excluding commercial and industrial. We	
should not automatically exclude residential private	
roads. We should maintain an inclusive mindset. Pam	
confirmed that this philosophy does not fit within the	
bounds of WFWRD's existence. Decades ago, when	
WFWRD was part of the County, there were not as	
many private haulers. So, these private roads defaulted	
to our service area. Our policy addresses situations	
where a private hauler is not available and allows	
WFWRD to provide needed services in these rare cases.	
Board Member Barbieri asked if new equipment would	
be necessary to accommodate high density housing	
areas, which would add liability and require additional	
staff and resources. If so, we need to change our charter	
and business model. As a more accepting mindset, it	
would also lead to inconsistencies. Rachel stated that if	
high density housing is built on public roads, we will	
need to have this discussion; but as long as they are	
 built on private roads, it is outside of our service	

private companies by marketing for new business and under bidding them.Board Member Bradley also expressed concern regarding the proposed appellate process. He questioned who would collect during this process. Pam answered that whoever was collecting at that time would continue until the decision was made and arrangements for any transition could take place. Board Member Bradley also inquired about the finality of the ad hoc committee's decision. Rachel confirmed that the current proposal identifies the committee's decision as final. There was also confusion regarding deadlines within the appeal process, which were clarified.Due to time constraints, Board Chair Bracken directed this topic to continue at the next meeting. He further directed board members to review the proposed policy changes, including the appeal process, for next month's meeting.Board Member Bradley readdressed the concerns form a resident on Dell Haven Lane, whose waste has not been collected for three to four weeks, due to this private road concern. Services have been provided for the residents that bring their cans out to the main road.Board Member Bradley and Pam will discuss this issue outside of this meeting, due to time constraints.3.6 Update on Municipal Support for WFWRD Reorganization: PamPam quickly shared the current status of municipal support for WFWRD to reorganize to a local district.Board Member Bradley and Pam will discuss this issue outside of this meeting, due to time constraints.
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Roberts (Informational/	All municipalities have passed resolutions in support.		
Direction)	She will continue to work with Salt Lake County on		
	this process.		
3.7 Recommendations for Board	Pam proposed that we continue future board meetings		
Meetings & Associated	as was conducted today. Board Chair Bracken		
Technology Needs: Pam Roberts	concurred that this meeting worked well, and agreed.		
(Discussion/Direction)			
6. Closed Session			
	No Closed Session		
7. Other Board Business			
	No Other Board Business		
6. Requested Items for the Next			
Board Meeting	Continued Discussion on Policy Revisions for		
	Private Roads Adding an Appeal Process		
	• Appointments for the Ad Hoc Committee		
	 Review Current Cash Balances and Cash Projections 		
	 Review Current Waste and Recycling Services Fee 		
	Comparisons		
	General Manager's Report.		
	 Area Cleanup Status Report 		
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ADJOURN		Motion to Adjourn: Board Member Barbieri	Approved
		Seconded by Board Member Turner	May 24, 2021
		Vote: All in favor (of Board Members present)	

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