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## CAMP CREEK TOWNSHIP PIKE COUNTY

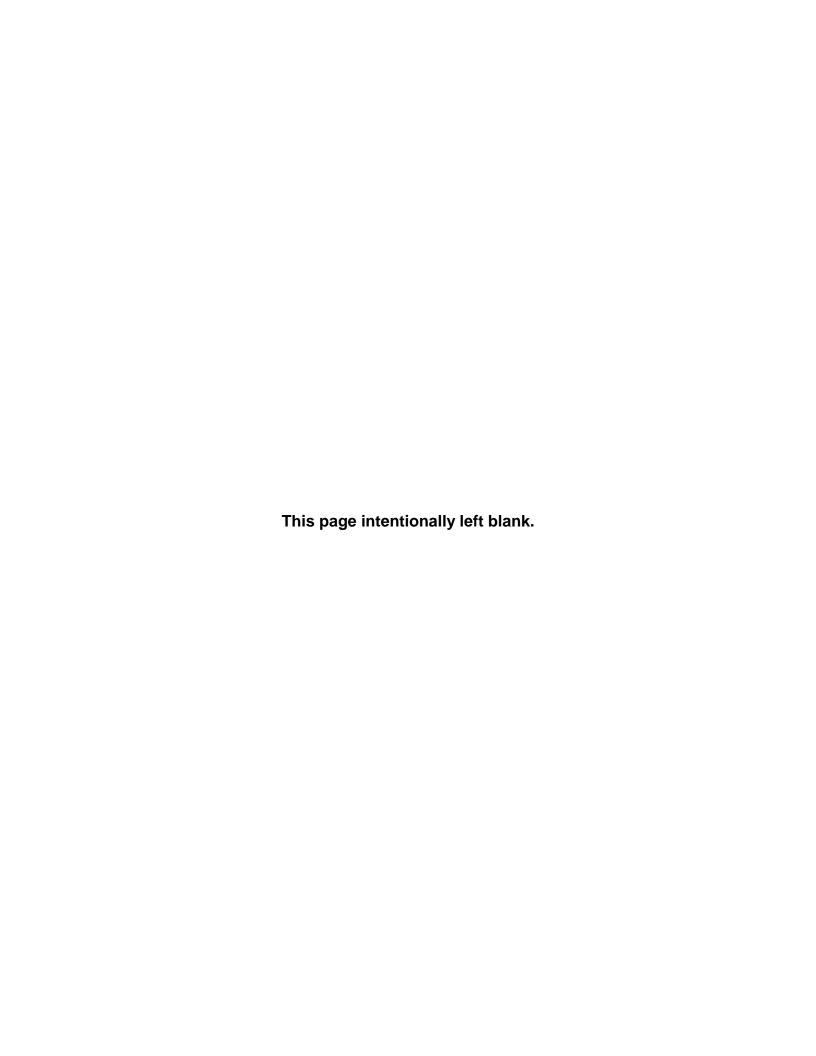
**REGULAR AUDIT** 

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 - 1999



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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Camp Creek Township Pike County 4206 Camp Creek Road Lucasville, Ohio 45648

#### To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Camp Creek Township, Pike County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Township prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of Camp Creek Township, Pike County, as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 18, 2001, on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Trustees and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

May 18, 2001

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## COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

#### **Governmental Fund Types**

		General		Special Revenue	(M	Totals emorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:						
Local Taxes	\$	6,571	\$	21,787	\$	28,358
Intergovernmental		24,886		60,600		85,486
Earnings on Investments		344		486		830
Other Revenue	_	114		266		380
Total Cash Receipts		31,915	_	83,139		115,054
Cash Disbursements:						
Current: General Government		20.042				20.042
Public Safety		28,912		12,424		28,912 12,424
Public Works				60,288		60,288
Health		126		9,286		9,412
Debt Service:		120		9,200		3,412
Redemption of Principal				8,944		8,944
Interest and Fiscal Charges				2,634		2,634
Capital Outlay		1,931		6,062		7,993
Total Cash Disbursements		30,969	_	99,638		130,607
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements		946		(16,499)		(15,553)
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Fund Cash Balances, January 1		19,676		51,882		71,558
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$</u>	20,622	\$	35,383	<u>\$</u>	56,005

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

#### **Governmental Fund Types**

	Governmental Fund Types					
		General		Special Revenue	(N	Totals lemorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:						
Local Taxes	\$	6,197	¢	21,823	\$	28,020
Intergovernmental	Ψ	19,351	Ψ	60,352	Ψ	79,703
Earnings on Investments		313		693		1,006
All Other Revenue		27		23		50
Total Cash Receipts		25,888		82,891		108,779
Cash Disbursements:						
Current:						
General Government		22,226				22,226
Public Safety				11,683		11,683
Public Works		400		50,416		50,416
Health		129		8,167		8,296
Capital Outlay		4,737	_	85,756		90,493
Total Cash Disbursements		27,092		156,022		183,114
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements		(1,204)		(73,131)		(74,335)
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):						
Proceeds from Sale of Public Debt:						
Sale of Notes			_	60,000		60,000
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)				60,000		60,000
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements						
and Other Financing Disbursements		(1,204)		(13,131)		(14,335)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		20,880		65,013		85,893
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	19,676	\$	51,882	<u>\$</u>	71,558

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

Camp Creek Township, Pike County (the Township), is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Township is directed by a publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees and a publicly-elected Clerk. The Township provides general governmental services, including road and bridge maintenance, cemetery maintenance, and fire protection.

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

#### **B.** Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

#### C. Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Township classifies its funds into the following types:

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### 2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

Gasoline Tax Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### D. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

#### 1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund and function level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Appropriations lapse at year end.

#### 2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

#### 3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. The Township did not encumber all commitments required by Ohio Law.

A summary of 2000 and 1999 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### E. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

#### 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The Township maintains a cash pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 was as follows:

 2000
 1999

 Demand Deposits
 \$56,005
 \$71,558

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2000 and 1999, follows:

		Е	Budgeted	Actual	·		
Fund Type		Receipts		Receipts		Variance	
General Special Revenue		\$	25,899 88,949	\$ 31,915 83,139	\$	6,016 (5,810)	
	Total	\$	114,848	\$ 115,054	\$	206	

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type		Appropriation Authority		Budgetary penditures	Variance		
General Special Revenue		\$	34,737 118,473	\$ 30,969 99,638	\$	3,768 18,835	
	Total	\$	153,210	\$ 130,607	\$	22,603	

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

Fund Type		Budgeted Receipts	 Actual Receipts	\	/ariance
General Special Revenue		\$ 21,530 122,940	\$ 25,888 142,891	\$	4,358 19,951
	Total	\$ 144,470	\$ 168,779	\$	24,309

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type		Appropriation Authority		Sudgetary penditures	Variance		
General Special Revenue		\$	40,915 185,858	\$ 27,092 156,022	\$	13,823 29,836	
	Total	\$	226,773	\$ 183,114	\$	43,659	

#### 4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Board of Trustees. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payment, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

#### 4. PROPERTY TAX (Continued)

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located in the Township.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Township.

#### 5. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2000, was as follows:

General Obligation Note:	Interest
Chip and Seal Project	<u>Principal</u>
Total	<u>\$ 51,056</u>

The note was for chip and seal project completed on May 1, 2000. The original note was for \$60,000. The note is uncollateralized.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

	General
Year ending	Obligation
December 31:	Note
	<b>.</b>
2001	\$11,578
2002	11,578
2003	11,578
2004	11,578
2005	11,401
Total	\$57,713

#### 6. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Township's elected officials and employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2000 and 1999, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries through June 30, 2000. Effective July 1, 2000 the employers' contribution rate decreased to 8.13% of the participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2000.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability
- Vehicles

The Township also provides health insurance coverage to full-time employees and elected officials through a private carrier.

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Camp Creek Township Pike County 4206 Camp Creek Road Lucasville. Ohio 45648

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Camp Creek Township, Pike County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated May 18, 2001. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as item 2000-40766-001. We also noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to the management of the Township in a separate letter dated May 18, 2001.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated May 18, 2001.

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This report is intended for the information and use of management and the Board of Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

**Jim Petro** Auditor of State

May 18, 2001

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

## FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

#### FINDING NUMBER 2000-40766-001

Ohio Rev. Code §5705.41(D) states that no subdivision or taxing unit shall make any contract or order any expenditure of money unless there is attached thereto a certificate of the fiscal officer of the subdivision that the amount required to meet the same has been lawfully appropriated for such purposes and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances. Every such contract made without such a certificate shall be null and void and no warrant shall be issued in payment of any amount due thereon. This section also provides two "exceptions" to the above requirements:

- A. Then and Now Certificate If no certificate is furnished as required, upon receipt of the fiscal officer's certificate that a sufficient sum was appropriated and free of any previous encumbrances, the Board of Trustees may authorize the issuance of a warrant in payment of the amount due upon such contract or order by resolution within 30 days from the receipt of such certificate, if such expenditure is otherwise valid.
- B. If the amount involved is less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), the fiscal officer may authorize it to be paid without the affirmation of the Board of Trustees.

All liabilities, contracts, and open purchase commitments greater than \$1,000 were not certified by the Clerk and were not encumbered until the time of payment. These commitments were not subsequently approved by the Board of Trustees within the aforementioned 30 day time period.

We recommend the Township obtain certification of the availability of funds from the Clerk prior to incurring any obligations.



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#### **CAMP CREEK TOWNSHIP**

#### **PIKE 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 JUNE 19, 2001