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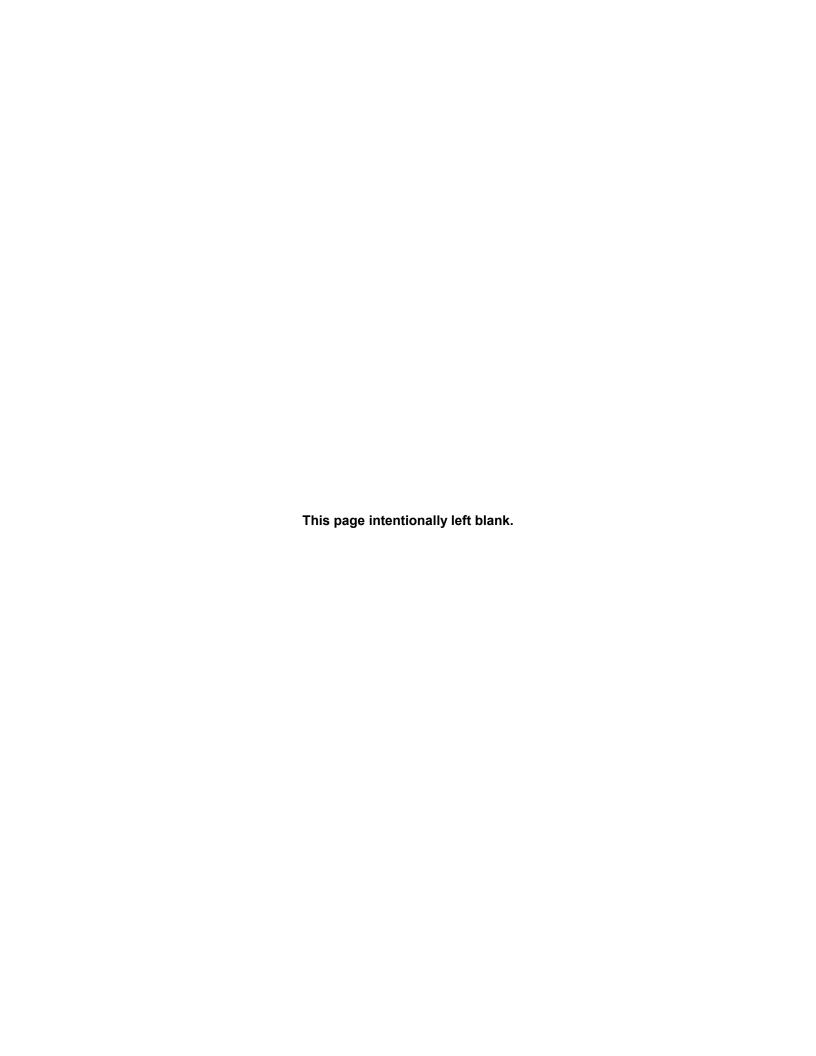
REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 - 1999



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Moulton Township Auglaize County 8980 Glynwood Road Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Moulton Township, Auglaize County, (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 these 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 the Township 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 March 27, 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.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the 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

March 27, 2001

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 General Fund	Fund Types Special Revenue	Total (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$33,343	\$38,185	\$71,528
Licenses, Permits and Fees	1,100	. ,	1,100
Intergovernmental Receipts	55,392	64,146	119,538
Special Assessments	,	1,484	1,484
Earnings on Investments	7,738	5,134	12,872
Total Cash Receipts	97,573	108,949	206,522
Cash Disbursements: Current:			
General Government	47,811		47,811
Public Safety	23,436		23,436
Public Works	20,400	63,196	63,196
Health	761	00,100	761
Capital Outlay	63	11,481	11,544
Total Cash Disbursements	72,071	74,677	146,748
Total Receipts Over(Under) Disbursements	25,502	34,272	59,774
Other Financing Sources	139		139_
Excess of Cash Recipts and Other Financing Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements			
and Other Financing Disbursements	25,641	34,272	59,913
Fund Cash Balance January 1, 2000	84,472	86,394	170,866
Fund Cash Balance December 31, 2000	\$110,113	\$120,666	\$230,779

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		Total
	General Fund	Special Revenue	(Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$30,022	\$34,381	\$64,403
Licenses, Permits and Fees	525		525
Intergovernmental Receipts	40,526	68,029	108,555
Special Assessments		1,550	1,550
Earnings on Investments	6,258	2,816	9,074
Other Revenue		8,400	8,400
Total Cash Receipts	77,331	115,176	192,507
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
General Government	44,007		44,007
Public Safety	19,916		19,916
Public Works		110,884	110,884
Health	124		124
Capital Outlay	88	5,313	5,401
Total Cash Disbursements	64,135	116,197	180,332
Total Receipts Over(Under) Disbursements	13,196	(1,021)	12,175
Other Financing Sources	39		39
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements			
and Other Financing Disbursements	13,235	(1,021)	12,214
Fund Cash Balance January 1, 1999	71,237	87,415	158,652
Fund Cash Balance December 31, 1999	\$84,472	\$86,394	\$170,866
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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

Moulton Township, Auglaize 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. The Township provides general governmental services, including road and bridge maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services. The Township contracts with the Village of Buckland to provide fire services and the Cities of St. Mary's and Wapakoneta, to provide ambulance services.

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. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

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

C. Cash and Investments

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Except gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

Interim deposits held during the audit period were valued at cost.

D. 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 that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

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

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Road and Bridge Fund - This fund receives property tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

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

Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund - This fund receives Township imposed license tax fees for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Township roads.

Special Assessments - This fund receives special assessments to pay for street lighting.

E. 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, function or object 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. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

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

F. 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 AND INVESTMENTS

The Township maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments was \$230,779 and \$170,866 at December 31, 2000 and December 31, 1999, respectively.

Deposits: Deposits are either insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

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 were as follows:

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts	S
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Fund Type		Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue		\$81,198 <u>119,562</u>	\$97,712 <u>108,949</u>	\$16,514 <u>(10,613)</u>
	Total	<u>\$200,760</u>	<u>\$206,661</u>	<u>\$5,901</u>

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type		Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue		\$165,670 <u>205,956</u>	\$72,071 <u>74,677</u>	\$93,599 <u>131,279</u>
	Total	<u>\$371,626</u>	\$146,748	\$224,878

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

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		Budgeted	Actual			
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance		
General Special Revenue		\$63,770 101,722	\$77,370 <u>115,176</u>	\$13,600 <u>13,454</u>		
	Total	<u>\$165,492</u>	<u>\$192,546</u>	<u>\$27,054</u>		

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type		Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue		\$135,007 <u>189,137</u>	\$64,135 <u>116,197</u>	\$70,872 <u>72,940</u>
	Total	<u>\$324,144</u>	\$180,332	\$143,812

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 within 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. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Township officials and full-time employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including post-retirement 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, members of PERS contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for January 1999 through June 2000 and an amount equal to 8.13% of participants' gross salaries for July 2000 through December 2000. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2000.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is a member of the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (the Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Township's policy. The Pool may assess supplemental premiums. The following risks are covered by the Pool:

- General liability and casualty
- Public official's liability
- Vehicle
- Township property, buildings, and contents



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

Moulton Township Auglaize County 8980 Glynwood Road Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Moulton Township, Auglaize County, (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 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 no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated March 27, 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 a matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that does not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated March 27, 2001.

Moulton Township Auglaize County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

This report is intended for the information and use of the 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

March 27, 2001



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MOULTON TOWNSHIP

AUGLAIZE 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 12, 2001