

**VILLAGE OF NEW BREMEN
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO**

***CASH BASIS BASIC
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Audited)***

***FOR THE YEAR ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2005***

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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Village of New Bremen, Auglaize County, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Village of New Bremen is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor

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June 13, 2007

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Independent Auditor's Report

Members of Council and Mayor
Village of New Bremen
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We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of New Bremen (the "Village"), Auglaize County, Ohio, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005 which collectively comprise the Village's financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Village's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. 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 opinions.

As discussed in Note 2, the Village prepares its financial statements and notes on the cash basis of accounting. This is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of New Bremen, Auglaize County, Ohio as of December 31, 2005 and the respective changes in cash basis financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General fund, thereof and for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting as described in Note 2.

As disclosed in Note 3 to the financial statements, the Village has presented a prior period adjustment to restate net assets at January 1, 2005 due to fund reclassifications in conjunction with formatting its statements in accordance with cash basis GASB Statement No. 34.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 8, 2007 on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

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The management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures which consisted principally of inquires of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julian & Grube, Inc.".

Julian & Grube, Inc.
February 8, 2007

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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The management's discussion and analysis of the Village of New Bremen's (the "Village") financial performance provides an overall review of the Village's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2005, within the limitations of the Village's cash basis of accounting. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Village's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the cash-basis basic financial statements and the notes to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Village's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2005 are as follows:

- The total net cash assets of the Village decreased \$41,944. Net cash assets of governmental activities decreased \$12,503, which represents a 0.64% decrease from fiscal year 2004. Net cash assets of business-type activities decreased \$29,441 or 1.55% from fiscal year 2004.
- General cash receipts accounted for \$2,643,842 or 85.03% of total governmental activities cash receipts. Program specific cash receipts accounted for \$465,559 or 14.97% of total governmental activities cash receipts.
- The Village had \$2,885,816 in cash disbursements and \$236,088 in transfers out related to governmental activities; \$465,559 of these cash disbursements were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General cash receipts (primarily taxes) of \$2,643,842 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- The Village's major governmental fund is the general fund. The general fund had cash receipts and other financing receipts of \$2,729,000 in 2005. The cash disbursements and other financing disbursements of the general fund, totaled \$2,758,820 in 2005. The general fund's cash balance decreased \$29,820 from 2004 to 2005.
- The Villages major business-type activities fund is the electric fund. Net cash assets for the electric enterprise fund decreased in 2005 by \$32,287 or 1.99%.

Using this Basic Financial Statements (BFS)

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, as applicable to the Village's cash basis of accounting.

The Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis and Statement of Activities – Cash Basis provide information about the activities of the whole Village, presenting both an aggregate view of the Village's cash basis finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the Village's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the Village, the general fund is the Village's only major governmental fund.

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Reporting the Village as a Whole

Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis

The Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis answer the question, “How did we do financially during 2005?” These statements include *only net assets* using the *cash basis of accounting*, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principals generally accepted in the United States of America. This basis of accounting takes into account only the current year’s receipts and disbursements if the cash is actually received or paid.

These two statements report the Village’s net assets and changes in those assets on a cash basis. This change in net cash assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the Village as a whole, the cash basis financial position of the Village has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the Village’s property tax base, income tax receipts, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, mandated federal and state programs and other factors.

As a result of the use of the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not collected) and liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, the reader should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

In the Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis, the Village is divided into two distinct kinds of activities. Governmental Activities - Most of the Village’s programs and services are reported here including security of person and property, public health services, leisure time activities, transportation and general government. Business-Type Activities - These services are provided on a charge for goods or services basis to recover all of the cash disbursements of the goods or services provided. The Village’s electric, water, sewer, swimming pool, refuse, utility deposits and library enterprise funds are reported as business activities

The Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis can be found on pages 13-15 of this report.

Reporting the Village’s Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Village, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Village can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the Village’s major funds. The Village uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Village’s most significant funds. The Village’s major governmental fund is the general fund. The analysis of the Village’s major governmental fund begins on page 10.

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Governmental Funds

Most of the Village's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principals generally accepted in the United States of America. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed view of the Village's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer cash basis financial resources that can be readily spent to finance various Village programs. Since the Village is reporting on the cash basis of accounting, there are no differences in the Net Assets and fund cash balances or changes in Net Assets and changes in fund cash balances. Therefore, no reconciliation is necessary between such financial statements. However, differences will be apparent when comparing gross revenues and expenses on the Fund Financial Statements to the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis due to transfers between governmental funds being eliminated for reporting in the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis. The governmental fund statements can be found on pages 16-17 of this report.

The Village's budgetary process accounts for certain transactions on a cash basis. The budgetary statement for the general fund is presented to demonstrate the Village's compliance with annually adopted budgets. The budgetary statement can be found on page 18 of this report.

Proprietary Funds

The Village maintains one type of proprietary fund. Enterprise funds use the same basis of accounting (cash basis) as governmental fund activities; therefore, these statements will essentially match the information provided in statements for the Village as a whole. The Village uses enterprise funds to account for its electric, water, sewer, swimming pool, refuse, utility deposits and library operations. The enterprise fund statements can be found on pages 19-20 of this report.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Village. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Village's own programs. The Village only fiduciary fund is an agency fund to account for the Village's Mayors County. The agency fund did not have any cash assets at December 31, 2005.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 21-36 of this report.

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Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Recall that the Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis provides the perspective of the Village as a whole. Since 2005 was the Village's first year preparing cash basis financial statements on a format consistent with GASB Statement No. 34, comparisons to 2004 are not available. In future years, when prior year information is available, a comparative analysis will be presented.

The table below provides a summary of the Village's assets and net cash assets for 2005.

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2005</u>
<u>Assets</u>			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,933,838	\$ 1,874,700	\$ 3,808,538
Total assets	<u>1,933,838</u>	<u>1,874,700</u>	<u>3,808,538</u>
<u>Net cash assets</u>			
Restricted	245,764	-	245,764
Unrestricted	1,688,074	1,874,700	3,562,774
Total net cash assets	<u>\$ 1,933,838</u>	<u>\$ 1,874,700</u>	<u>\$ 3,808,538</u>

The total net cash assets of the Village decreased \$41,944. Net cash assets of governmental activities decreased \$12,503, which represents a 0.64% decrease from fiscal year 2004. Net cash assets of business-type activities decreased \$29,441 or 1.55% from fiscal year 2004.

The balance of government-wide unrestricted net cash assets of \$1,688,074 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

The table below shows the changes in net cash assets for fiscal year 2005. Since this is the first year the Village has prepared cash basis financial statements on a format consistent with GASB Statement No. 34, cash receipt and cash disbursement comparisons to fiscal year 2004 are not available. In future years, when prior year information is available, a comparative analysis will be presented.

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Change in Net Cash Assets

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
	2005	2005	2005
Cash Receipts:			
Program cash receipts:			
Charges for services and sales	\$ 81,969	\$ 4,730,795	\$ 4,812,764
Operating grants and contributions	383,590	-	383,590
Total program cash receipts	465,559	4,730,795	5,196,354
General cash receipts:			
Property and other taxes	139,005	-	139,005
Income tax	2,072,716	-	2,072,716
Other local taxes	-	232,997	232,997
Unrestricted grants	246,808	-	246,808
Loans	-	700,000	700,000
Investment earnings	97,629	-	97,629
Other	87,684	-	87,684
Total general cash receipts	2,643,842	932,997	3,576,839
Total cash receipts	3,109,401	5,663,792	8,773,193
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
General government	343,450	-	343,450
Security of persons and property	734,512	-	734,512
Public health services	15,325	-	15,325
Leisure time activities	252,368	-	252,368
Transportation	523,899	-	523,899
Capital outlay	970,655	-	970,655
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	42,618	-	42,618
Interest and fiscal charges	2,989	-	2,989
Electric	-	5,240,837	5,240,837
Other enterprise funds:			
Water	-	266,478	266,478
Sewer	-	165,549	165,549
Swimming pool	-	145,756	145,756
Refuse	-	92,047	92,047
Utility	-	17,072	17,072
Library	-	1,582	1,582
Total cash disbursements	2,885,816	5,929,321	8,815,137
Change in net assets before transfers	223,585	(265,529)	(41,944)
Transfers	(236,088)	236,088	-
Change in net cash assets	(12,503)	(29,441)	(41,944)
Net cash assets at beginning of year	1,946,341	1,904,141	3,850,482
Net cash assets at end of year	\$ 1,933,838	\$ 1,874,700	\$ 3,808,538

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Governmental Activities

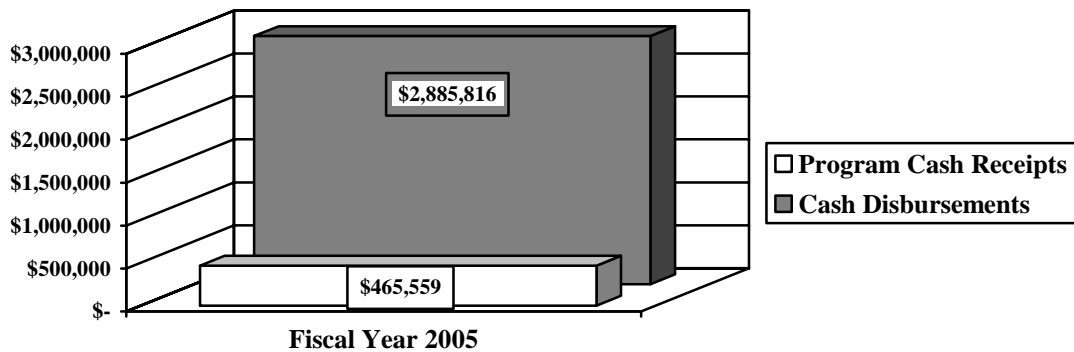
Governmental cash assets decreased by \$12,503 in 2005 from 2004.

General government represents activities related to the governing body as well as activities that directly support Village programs. In 2005, general government cash disbursements totaled \$343,350, or 11.90% of total governmental cash disbursements. General government programs were supported by \$19,374 in direct charges to users for services.

The Village program, security of person and property, accounted for \$734,512 or 25.45% of total governmental cash disbursements. These service programs are primarily supported by user fees, and state and federal grants. The Village program, transportation, accounted for \$523,899 or 18.15% of total governmental cash disbursements. The transportation service programs are primarily supported by user fees, and state and federal grants.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. The following graph shows, for governmental activities, the total cash disbursements and the portion of those cash disbursements that were offset with specific program receipts. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax receipts and unrestricted state grants and entitlements. In future years, as prior year information is available, a comparative analysis versus the prior year will be presented.

Governmental Activities – Program Cash Receipts vs. Total Cash Disbursements



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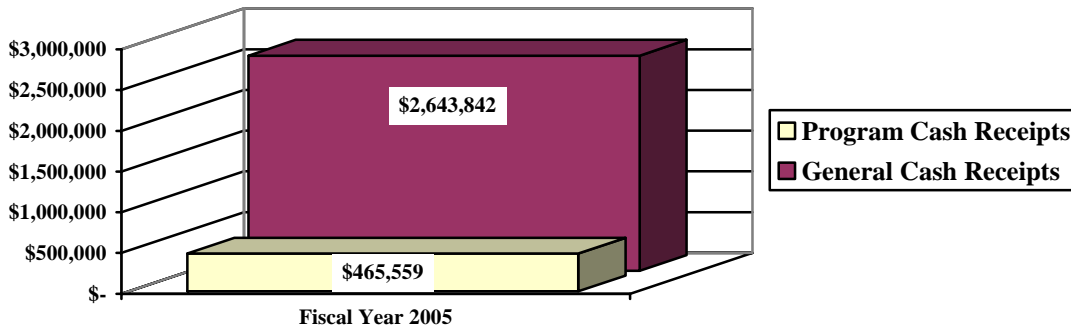
The following table shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services for 2005. In future years, as prior year information is available, a comparative analysis versus the prior year will be presented.

Governmental Activities

	2005	
	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services
Cash disbursements:		
Current:		
General government	\$ 343,450	\$ 324,076
Security of persons and property	734,512	509,380
Public health services	15,325	15,325
Leisure time activities	252,368	229,184
Transportation	523,899	326,030
Capital outlay	970,655	970,655
Debt service:		
Principal retirement	42,618	42,618
Interest and fiscal charges	2,989	2,989
Total	\$ 2,885,816	\$ 2,420,257

The dependence upon general cash receipts for governmental activities is apparent; with 83.87% of cash disbursements supported through taxes and other general cash receipts during 2005. The graph below shows the governmental activities program cash receipts versus general cash receipts for 2005. In future years, as prior year information is available, a comparative analysis versus the prior year will be presented.

Governmental Activities - General and Program Cash Receipts



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Business-type Activities

The electric fund is the Village's major enterprise fund. This program had cash receipts of \$5,072,462, cash disbursements of \$5,240,837 and transfers in of \$136,088 for fiscal year 2005. The net cash assets of the programs decreased \$32,287 or 1.99% from 2004.

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, the Village uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The Village's governmental funds are accounted for using the cash basis of accounting. The Village's governmental funds reported a combined fund cash balance of \$1,933,838, which is \$12,503 below last year's total of \$1,946,341 (as restated). The governmental fund cash fund balances have been restated at December 31, 2004 to conform to the reporting requirements of GASB Statement No. 34 format (see Note 3.B. to the basic financial statements). The schedule below indicates the fund cash balance and the total change in fund cash balance as of December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004, for all major and nonmajor governmental funds.

	Fund Cash Balance <u>December 31, 2005</u>	Retated Fund Cash Balance <u>December 31, 2004</u>	Increase <u>(Decrease)</u>
Major Funds:			
General	\$ 1,688,074	\$ 1,717,894	\$ (29,820)
Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	<u>245,764</u>	<u>228,447</u>	<u>17,317</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,933,838</u>	<u>\$ 1,946,341</u>	<u>\$ (12,503)</u>

General Fund

The general fund, the Village's only major fund, had cash receipts and other financing receipts of 2,729,000 in 2005. The cash disbursements and other financing disbursements of the general fund, totaled \$2,758,820 in 2005. The general fund's cash balance decreased \$29,820 from 2004 to 2005.

The table that follows assists in illustrating the cash receipts of the general fund.

	2005 <u>Amount</u>	Restated 2004 <u>Amount</u>	Percentage <u>Change</u>
<u>Cash Receipts:</u>			
Local taxes	\$ 2,211,721	\$ 1,988,881	11.20 %
Intergovernmental	246,808	248,978	(0.87) %
Special assessments	29,312	33,826	(13.34) %
Charges for services	33,028	30,428	8.54 %
Fines, licenses and permits	17,506	11,028	58.74 %
Investment income	97,224	42,842	126.94 %
Other	<u>39,299</u>	<u>21,273</u>	84.74 %
Total	<u>\$ 2,674,898</u>	<u>\$ 2,377,256</u>	12.52 %

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Investment income cash receipts increased due to higher interest rates on investments. All other variances were consistent with the prior year except for local tax revenue which increased 11.20%.

The table that follows assists in illustrating the expenditures of the general fund.

	2005	Restated 2004	Percentage Change
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
<u>Cash Disbursements</u>			
General government	\$ 342,395	\$ 316,797	8.08 %
Security of persons and property	609,449	755,015	(19.28) %
Public health service	15,325	15,321	0.03 %
Leisure time activity	20,296	17,816	13.92 %
Transportation	163,905	145,764	12.45 %
Capital outlay	<u>970,655</u>	<u>1,370,606</u>	(29.18) %
Total	<u>\$ 2,122,025</u>	<u>\$ 2,621,319</u>	(19.05) %

Expenditures remained relatively consistent with the prior year with the exception of security of persons and property and capital outlay which decreased 19.28% and 29.18%, respectively. Overall, cash disbursements decreased \$499,294 from 2004. The decrease is primarily related to the overall decrease in capital outlay expenditures made by the general fund during 2005.

Budgeting Highlights - General Fund

The Village's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund.

For the general fund, final budget basis receipts and other financing receipts equal to original budget estimates of \$4,702,523. Actual cash receipts and other financing receipts of \$2,729,000 were less than final budget estimates by \$1,973,523. The final budgetary basis disbursements and other financing disbursements of \$6,420,417 were equal to original budget estimates. The actual budgetary basis disbursements and other financing disbursements of \$3,062,281 were \$3,358,136 less than the final budget estimates.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The Village does not record capital assets in the accompanying basic financial statements, but records payments for capital assets as disbursements. The Village had capital outlay disbursements of \$970,655 during fiscal year 2005.

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Debt Administration

The Village had the following long-term obligations outstanding at December 31, 2005 and 2004:

	Governmental Activities <u>2005</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2004</u>
OWDA loan	\$ -	\$ 42,618
Total long-term obligations	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 42,618</u>
	Business-Type Activities <u>2005</u>	Business-Type Activities <u>2004</u>
AMP-Ohio Note	\$ -	\$ 700,000
1st National Bank Loan	<u>600,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total long-term obligations	<u>\$ 600,000</u>	<u>\$ 700,000</u>

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The following economic factors were taken into consideration in preparing the budget for fiscal year 2005:

The Village of New Bremen's major source of receipt is income tax. Approximately 1.5 percent of total receipts are derived from this source. The Village continues to strive for ways and means to make optimum utilization of available resources. The Village continues to apply for grants and Issue II funding. Currently, we are preparing to start the bidding process for the Rehabilitation of Lock One Project, for which we received a grant of \$270,000. The Village recently completed the Pearl Street Reconstruction Project that was funded by Issue II and permissive tax money.

The challenge for our Village is to provide quality services to the residents of our community while staying within the restrictions imposed by limited funding. The Village relies heavily on local taxes and intergovernmental revenues to provide safe and secure neighborhoods through our Police Department and trained and qualified volunteer firemen for our Fire Department.

These factors were considered in preparing the Village's budget for fiscal year 2006. Final budgeted receipts and other financing receipts in the general fund for fiscal year 2006 are \$2,527,242. The Village has continued to practice conservative budgetary practices in order to preserve a positive financial position in future years.

Contacting the Village's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Village's finances and to show the Village's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Ms. Diane Gast, Clerk/Treasurer, Village of New Bremen, 214 N. Washington St, P.O. Box 27, New Bremen, Ohio 45869-0027.

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STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,933,838	\$ 1,874,700	\$ 3,808,538
Total assets.	<u>1,933,838</u>	<u>1,874,700</u>	<u>3,808,538</u>
Net cash assets:			
Restricted for:			
Street construction	60,703	-	60,703
State highway	16,568	-	16,568
Parks and recreation.	91,187	-	91,187
Permissive tax	46,076	-	46,076
Other purposes.	31,230	-	31,230
Unrestricted	<u>1,688,074</u>	<u>1,874,700</u>	<u>3,562,774</u>
Total net cash assets	<u>\$ 1,933,838</u>	<u>\$ 1,874,700</u>	<u>\$ 3,808,538</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Program Cash Receipts		
	Cash Disbursements	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions
Governmental activities:			
Current:			
General government.	\$ 343,450	\$ 19,374	\$ -
Security of persons and property	734,512	33,028	192,104
Public health services	15,325	-	-
Leisure time activities	252,368	-	23,184
Transportation.	523,899	29,567	168,302
Capital outlay	970,655	-	-
Debt service:			
Principal retirement.	42,618	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	2,989	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>2,885,816</u>	<u>81,969</u>	<u>383,590</u>
Business-Type activities:			
Electric	5,240,837	4,139,465	-
Other enterprise funds:			
Water.	266,478	253,423	-
Sewer.	165,549	153,353	-
Swimming Pool.	145,756	73,075	-
Refuse.	92,047	91,765	-
Utility Deposits	17,072	17,314	-
Library.	1,582	2,400	-
Total business-type activities	<u>5,929,321</u>	<u>4,730,795</u>	<u>-</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 8,815,137</u>	<u>\$ 4,812,764</u>	<u>\$ 383,590</u>

General Cash Receipts and Transfers:

Property and other taxes levied for:

- General purposes
- Income taxes
- Other local taxes
- Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs.
- Loans
- Investment receipts
- Miscellaneous

Total general cash receipts.

Transfers.

Total general cash receipts and transfers

Change in net cash assets

Net cash assets at beginning of year

Net cash assets at end of year

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Net (Cash Disbursements) Cash Receipts and Changes in Net Cash Assets

Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
\$ (324,076)	\$ -	\$ (324,076)
(509,380)	-	(509,380)
(15,325)	-	(15,325)
(229,184)	-	(229,184)
(326,030)	-	(326,030)
(970,655)	-	(970,655)
(42,618)	-	(42,618)
(2,989)	-	(2,989)
<u>(2,420,257)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,420,257)</u>
-	(1,101,372)	(1,101,372)
-	(13,055)	(13,055)
-	(12,196)	(12,196)
-	(72,681)	(72,681)
-	(282)	(282)
-	242	242
-	818	818
<u>-</u>	<u>(1,198,526)</u>	<u>(1,198,526)</u>
<u>(2,420,257)</u>	<u>(1,198,526)</u>	<u>(3,618,783)</u>
139,005	-	139,005
2,072,716	-	2,072,716
	232,997	232,997
246,808	-	246,808
-	700,000	700,000
97,629	-	97,629
87,684	-	87,684
<u>2,643,842</u>	<u>932,997</u>	<u>3,576,839</u>
<u>(236,088)</u>	<u>236,088</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>2,407,754</u>	<u>1,169,085</u>	<u>3,576,839</u>
(12,503)	(29,441)	(41,944)
<u>1,946,341</u>	<u>1,904,141</u>	<u>3,850,482</u>
<u>\$ 1,933,838</u>	<u>\$ 1,874,700</u>	<u>\$ 3,808,538</u>

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AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND CASH BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,688,074	\$ 245,764	\$ 1,933,838
Total assets	\$ 1,688,074	\$ 245,764	\$ 1,933,838
Fund cash balances:			
Reserved for encumbrances.	\$ 303,461	\$ 20,147	\$ 323,608
Unreserved, undesignated, reported in:			
General fund.	1,384,613	-	1,384,613
Special revenue funds	-	225,617	225,617
Total fund cash balances	\$ 1,688,074	\$ 245,764	\$ 1,933,838

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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>General</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Cash receipts:			
Local taxes	\$ 2,211,721	\$ -	\$ 2,211,721
Intergovernmental	246,808	180,802	427,610
Special assessments	29,312	-	29,312
Charges for services	33,028	192,104	225,132
Fines, licenses and permits.	17,506	2,123	19,629
Interest.	97,224	405	97,629
Contributions and donations	-	10,684	10,684
Other.	39,299	48,360	87,659
Total cash receipts	<u>2,674,898</u>	<u>434,478</u>	<u>3,109,376</u>
Cash disbursements:			
Current:			
General government	342,395	1,055	343,450
Security of persons and property	609,449	125,063	734,512
Public health services	15,325	-	15,325
Leisure time activities	20,296	232,072	252,368
Transportation	163,905	359,994	523,899
Capital outlay	970,655	-	970,655
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	-	42,618	42,618
Interest and fiscal charges	-	2,989	2,989
Total cash disbursements	<u>2,122,025</u>	<u>763,791</u>	<u>2,885,816</u>
Excess of cash receipts over cash disbursements	<u>552,873</u>	<u>(329,313)</u>	<u>223,560</u>
Other financing receipts (disbursements):			
Sale of assets	25	-	25
Transfers in.	54,077	436,795	490,872
Transfers out	(636,795)	(90,165)	(726,960)
Total other financing receipts (disbursements).	<u>(582,693)</u>	<u>346,630</u>	<u>(236,063)</u>
Net change in fund cash balances	(29,820)	17,317	(12,503)
Fund cash balances			
at beginning of year (restated).	1,717,894	228,447	1,946,341
Fund cash balances at end of year.	<u>\$ 1,688,074</u>	<u>\$ 245,764</u>	<u>\$ 1,933,838</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH
BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		<u>(Negative)</u>
Budgetary basis receipts:				
Local taxes	\$ 3,807,047	\$ 3,807,047	\$ 2,211,721	\$ (1,595,326)
Intergovernmental	424,832	424,832	246,808	(178,024)
Special assessments	50,455	50,455	29,312	(21,143)
Charges for services	72,358	72,358	33,028	(39,330)
Fines, licenses and permits	30,133	30,133	17,506	(12,627)
Interest	167,352	167,352	97,224	(70,128)
Other	67,646	67,646	39,299	(28,347)
Total budgetary basis receipts	<u>4,619,823</u>	<u>4,619,823</u>	<u>2,674,898</u>	<u>(1,944,925)</u>
Budgetary basis disbursements:				
Current:				
General government	631,294	631,294	349,744	281,550
Security of persons and property	908,480	908,480	624,138	284,342
Public health services	16,756	16,756	15,694	1,062
Leisure time activities	25,389	25,389	20,785	4,604
Transportation	245,676	245,676	167,855	77,821
Capital outlay	3,089,207	3,089,207	1,247,270	1,841,937
Total budgetary basis disbursements	<u>4,916,802</u>	<u>4,916,802</u>	<u>2,425,486</u>	<u>2,491,316</u>
Excess (deficiency) of budgetary basis receipts over (under) budgetary basis disbursements	<u>(296,979)</u>	<u>(296,979)</u>	<u>249,412</u>	<u>546,391</u>
Other financing receipts (disbursements):				
Sale of assets	2,100	2,100	25	(2,075)
Transfers in	80,600	80,600	54,077	(26,523)
Transfers out	(1,503,615)	(1,503,615)	(636,795)	866,820
Total other financing receipts (disbursements)	<u>(1,420,915)</u>	<u>(1,420,915)</u>	<u>(582,693)</u>	<u>838,222</u>
Net change in fund cash balance	(1,717,894)	(1,717,894)	(333,281)	1,384,613
Fund cash balance at beginning of year (restated).	1,609,904	1,609,904	1,609,904	-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	<u>107,990</u>	<u>107,990</u>	<u>107,990</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund cash balance at end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,384,613</u>	<u>\$ 1,384,613</u>

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**VILLAGE OF NEW BREMEN
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND NET CASH ASSETS
ENTERPRISE FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Electric	Other Enterprise	Total
Assets:			
Current assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents.	\$ 1,592,266	\$ 282,434	\$ 1,874,700
Total assets	1,592,266	282,434	1,874,700
Net cash assets:			
Unrestricted.	1,592,266	282,434	1,874,700
Total net cash assets.	\$ 1,592,266	\$ 282,434	\$ 1,874,700

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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN NET CASH ASSETS
ENTERPRISE FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Electric	Other Enterprise	Total
Operating cash receipts:			
Charges for services	\$ 4,139,465	\$ 591,330	\$ 4,730,795
Total operating cash receipts	4,139,465	591,330	4,730,795
Operating cash disbursements:			
Personal services	310,656	339,948	650,604
Contractual services	3,441,887	121,409	3,563,296
Materials and supplies	153,747	162,306	316,053
Capital outlay	272,854	64,821	337,675
Total operating cash disbursements	4,179,144	688,484	4,867,628
Operating cash receipts (under) operating cash disbursements	(39,679)	(97,154)	(136,833)
Nonoperating cash receipts (disbursements):			
Other local tax	232,997	-	232,997
Excise tax expense	(232,997)	-	(232,997)
Loans	700,000	-	700,000
Debt Service:			
Principal	(800,000)	-	(800,000)
Interest and other fiscal charges	(28,696)	-	(28,696)
Total nonoperating cash receipts (disbursements). . .	(128,696)	-	(128,696)
Income (loss) before transfers	(168,375)	(97,154)	(265,529)
Transfers in	136,088	100,000	236,088
Changes in net cash assets.	(32,287)	2,846	(29,441)
Net cash assets at beginning of year	1,624,553	279,588	1,904,141
Net cash assets at end of year	\$ 1,592,266	\$ 282,434	\$ 1,874,700

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY

The Village of New Bremen (the "Village") is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio.

The Village operates under a council-mayor form of government and provides the following services: police protection, water, sewer and electric utility services, street maintenance and repair, as well as other services.

Management believes the financial statements included in this report represent all of the funds of the Village over which the Village officials have direct operating control.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. In cases where these cash basis statements contain items that are the same as, or similar to, those items in the financial statements prepared in conformity with GAAP, similar informative disclosures are provided. Following are the more significant of the Village's accounting policies:

A. Basis of Presentation

For fiscal year ended 2005, the Village has implemented the GASB Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for the State and Local Governments" format.

The Village's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net assets – cash basis and a statement of activities – cash basis, and a fund financial statement which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-wide Statement of Activities – Cash Basis - This statement displays information about the Village as a whole, except for fiduciary funds. The statement distinguishes between those activities of the Village that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities.

The government-wide statement of activities - cash basis compares disbursements with program receipts for each segment of the business-type activities of the Village and for each function or program of the Village's governmental activities. These disbursements are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Receipts which are not classified as program receipts are presented as general receipts of the Village. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing on the cash basis or draws from the general receipts of the Village.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Village. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating transactions from nonoperating transactions. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operation. The principal operating transactions of the Village's proprietary funds are charges for sales and services, and include personnel and other disbursements related to the operations of the enterprise activity. All other receipts and disbursements not meeting these definitions are reported as nonoperating transactions.

B. Fund Accounting

The Village uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. Fund accounting is a concept developed to meet the needs of governmental entities in which legal or other restraints require the recording of specific receipts and disbursements. The transactions of each fund are reflected in a self-balancing group of accounts. The Village classifies each fund as either governmental, proprietary or fiduciary.

Governmental Funds - The Village classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants) and other non-exchange transactions as governmental funds. The following is the Village's major governmental fund:

General Fund - This fund is used to account for all financial resources of the Village except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Village for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Other governmental funds of the Village are used to account for (a) the accumulation of resources for, and payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs; and (b) for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

Proprietary Funds - These funds are used to account for activities that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is that costs of providing services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges. The following is the Village's major enterprise fund:

Electric Fund - This fund accounts for the user charges and expense of providing electricity.

The Village has six nonmajor enterprise funds that are used to account for water, sewer, refuse, utility deposits, swimming pool and library operations.

Fiduciary Funds - Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net assets and changes in net assets. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and agency funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Village's only fiduciary fund is an agency fund which accounts for the Village's Mayor's Court. The agency fund did not have any net cash assets to report at December 31, 2005.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

C. Basis of Accounting

The Village's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the Village's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

D. Budgetary Process

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimate resources, and the appropriation resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The primary level of budgetary control is at the item level within each department within each fund. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Village's Council.

Estimated Resources:

The County Budget Commission determines if the budget substantiates a need to levy the full amount of authorized property tax rates and reviews receipt estimates. The County Budget Commission certifies its actions to the Village by September 1. As part of this certification, the Village receives the official certificate of estimated resources, which states the projected receipts of each fund. On or about January 1, the certificate is amended to include unencumbered fund balances at December 31 of the preceding year. Further amendments may be made during the year if the Village determined that receipts collected will be greater than or less than the prior estimate, and the Budget Commission finds the revised estimate to be reasonable. Prior to December 31, the Village must revise its budget so that the total contemplated expenditures from a fund during the ensuing fiscal year will not exceed the amount stated in the certificate of estimated resources. The revised budget then serves as the basis for the annual appropriation measure. The amounts reported within the budgetary statements reflect the original and final estimated resources as certified by the County Budget Commission.

Appropriations:

A temporary appropriation measure to control cash disbursements may be passed on or about January 1 of each year for the period January to March 31. An annual appropriation measure must be passed by April 1 of each year for the period January 1 to December 31. The appropriations measure may be amended or supplemented during the year as new information becomes available. Appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village legally adopted appropriation amendments during 2005. The budgetary statement reflects the original and final appropriations as approved by Council.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Encumbrances:

As part of the formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation.

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated. The Village had outstanding encumbrances at December 31, 2005.

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Village has invested funds in the State Treasury Assets Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio) during fiscal 2005. STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price which is the price the investment could be sold for on December 31, 2005.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. During fiscal 2005, interest revenue credited to the general fund amounted to \$97,224 which includes \$53,933 assigned from other Village funds.

The presentation on the statement of net assets, investments with an original maturity of three months or less and investments of the cash management pool are considered to be cash equivalents.

For purpose of presentation on the financial statements, investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Village are considered to be cash equivalents.

An analysis of the Village's investment account at year-end is provided in Note 4.

F. Capital Assets

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

G. Unpaid Vacation and Sick Leave

Employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation and sick leave in certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment. Unpaid vacation and sick leave are not reflected as liabilities under the basis of accounting used by the Village (See Note 2.C.).

H. Long-term Obligations

Bonds and other long-term obligations are not recognized as a liability in the financial statements under the cash basis of accounting. These statements report proceeds of debt when cash is received, and debt service disbursements for debt principal payments.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

I. Net Assets

Net assets are reported as restricted when enabling legislation or creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments have imposed limitations on its use.

The Village first applies restricted resources when a disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

J. Interfund Activity

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the government-wide statements are reported in the same manner as general receipts.

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchasing funds. Nonexchange flows of cash from one fund to another are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after nonoperating receipts/disbursements in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY & COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2005, the Village has implemented GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures". GASB Statement No. 40 establishes and modified disclosure requirements related to investment risks: credit risk (including custodial credit risk and concentrations of credit risk) and interest rate risk. This statement also establishes and modified disclosure requirements for custodial credit risk on deposits. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 40 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Village, however additional note disclosure can be found in Note 4.

The Village also implemented the GASB Statement No. 34 cash basis look-a-like statements. See Note B below for further information.

B. Restatement of Cash Fund Balance

In 2005, the Village elected to continue presenting its annual financial report on the cash basis; however, the Village presented the cash basis financial statements in a GASB 34-like format. As a result, there were some fund reclassifications to properly report the intended purpose of the funds in accordance with GASB Statement No. 34. These reclassifications had an impact on the fund cash balances as previously reported at December 31, 2004.

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NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY & COMPLIANCE - (Continued)

The transition from governmental cash fund balances to GASB 34-like cash fund balances is presented below:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash Fund Balance			
at December 31, 2004	\$ 44,950	\$ 228,447	\$ 273,397
Fund Reclassifications	<u>1,672,944</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,672,944</u>
Restated Cash Fund Balance			
at December 31, 2004	<u>\$ 1,717,894</u>	<u>\$ 228,447</u>	<u>\$ 1,946,341</u>

There was no transition for the proprietary cash fund balances as no reclassifications or adjustments were required to comply with GASB 34-like presentation. In addition, the fund cash balances as reported on the Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements and Changes in Fund Cash Balances – Governmental Funds will equal the net cash assets for the Governmental Activities on the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis and the Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis and the net cash assets as reported on the Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements and Changes in Net Cash Assets – Enterprise Funds will equal the net cash assets for the Business-Type Activities on the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis and the Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis.

C. Compliance

- i.* The following funds had disbursements in excess of appropriations for the year ended December 31, 2005 in noncompliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41 (B):

<u>Major Funds/Department/Item</u>	<u>Excess</u>
General Fund	
Fire Department: Uniform Cleaning	\$ 2,488
Income Tax: Transfers out	<u>14,815</u>
Total	<u>\$ 17,303</u>
NonMajor Funds/Department/Item	
Parks and Recreation	
Park: Healthy Ohio Expense	<u>\$ 12,472</u>
FEMA Fire Grant:	
Operations	107,301
Legal fees	<u>4,813</u>
Total	<u>\$ 112,114</u>
FEMA Storm: Operations	<u>\$ 85,955</u>
Water Fund: Repair Building	<u>\$ 338</u>
Electric Fund: Benefits	<u>\$ 12,763</u>
Refuse: Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 9,958</u>

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NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY & COMPLIANCE - (Continued)

- ii.* The Village did not certify expenditures in a timely manner for the year ended December 31, 2005 in noncompliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D).

NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the Village into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the Village treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board of Education has identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Interim monies to be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
6. STAR Ohio;
7. Certain banker's acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the purchase date in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time: and,

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NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt interests rated in either of the two highest classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

Protection of Village's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the Treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Village, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

A. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At December 31, 2005, the carrying amount of all Village deposits was \$808,216. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of December 31, 2005, \$884,293 of the Village's bank balance of \$1,018,332 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$134,039 was covered by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Village's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the Village.

B. Investments

As of December 31, 2005, the Village had the following investments and maturities:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Investment Maturities</u> 6 months or less
STAR Ohio	<u>\$ 3,000,322</u>	<u>\$ 3,000,322</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,000,322</u>	<u>\$ 3,000,322</u>

Interest Rate Risk: As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to state law, the Village's investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to five years or less.

Credit Risk: Standard & Poor's has assigned STAR Ohio an AAAM money market rating.

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NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Concentration of Credit Risk: The Village places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the Village at December 31, 2005:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
STAR Ohio	\$ 3,000,322	100.00
Total	<u>\$ 3,000,322</u>	<u>100.00</u>

C. Reconciliation of Cash and Investment to the Statement of Net Assets

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the footnote above to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net assets as of December 31, 2005:

<u>Cash and Investments per footnote</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 808,216
Investments	<u>3,000,322</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,808,538</u>
<u>Cash and investments per Statement of Net Assets</u>	
Governmental activities	\$ 1,933,838
Business-type activities	<u>1,874,700</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,808,538</u>

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2005, consisted of the following, as reported in the fund financial statements:

<u>Transfers to</u>	<u>Transfers from</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental</u>	
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 54,077	\$ 54,077
Electric Fund	100,000	36,088	136,088
Swimming Pool Fund	100,000	-	100,000
Nonmajor Governmental	<u>436,795</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>436,795</u>
	<u>\$ 636,795</u>	<u>\$ 90,165</u>	<u>\$ 726,960</u>

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NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS - (Continued)

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, (2) move receipts restricted to debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to the debt service fund as debt service payments become due, and (3) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. All transfers were made in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.14, 5705.15 and 5705.16.

Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated for reporting in the statement of activities.

NOTE 6 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS

At December 31, 2005, debt obligations consisted of the following issuances:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance at 12/31/05</u>
2004 American Municipal Power-Ohio (AMP-Ohio) note for electrical substation construction, installation, and equipment projects, was paid off in fiscal year 2005 with a loan from First National Bank. The Village will make semi-annual payments for 7 years at a fixed rate of 4.25%. The final payment will be due in 2011.	\$ 600,000
Total debt obligations at December 31, 2005	<u>\$ 600,000</u>

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loan is for a utility construction project (sewer). This debt is an obligation of Dairy Farm Products, who assumed the obligation of the Village under a written contract with the Ohio Water Development Authority dated June 6, 1985. Dairy Farm Products remits payment to the Village in the month of the required payment and are reported as "Other revenue" on the Statements of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Basis Fund Balances – Governmental Funds.

The following is a summary of the Village's long-term obligation activity for fiscal year 2005:

	<u>Balance 01/01/05</u>	<u>Proceeds</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Balance at 12/31/05</u>	<u>Amount due within one year</u>
OWDA Loan	\$ 42,618	\$ -	\$ (42,618)	\$ -	\$ -
Loan Payable	-	700,000	(100,000)	600,000	100,000
Amp-Ohio Note	<u>700,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(700,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Debt Obligations	<u>\$ 742,618</u>	<u>\$ 700,000</u>	<u>\$ (842,618)</u>	<u>\$ 600,000</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>

The OWDA loan activity is recorded in the debt service (other governmental) fund. The loan payable and Amp-Ohio note activity is reported in the electric enterprise fund.

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NOTE 6 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

The principal and interest requirements to retire the debt obligations outstanding at December 31, 2005, are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	First National Bank Loan	
	Principal	Interest
2006	\$ 100,000	\$ 24,446
2007	100,000	20,196
2008	100,000	15,987
2009	100,000	11,696
2010	100,000	7,446
2011	100,000	3,196
Total	\$ 600,000	\$ 82,967

NOTE 7 - PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the County. 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. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually to the County. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20 of the following year. Under certain circumstances, state statute permits later payment dates to be established.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Village.

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 Village.

The assessed values of real and tangible personal property upon which 2005 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

	2005
Real property tax	\$ 55,370,870
Public utility tangible personal property	470,220
Tangible personal property	21,737,884
Total assessed valuation	\$ 77,578,974

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NOTE 8 - LOCAL INCOME TAX

This locally levied tax of 1.50% applies to gross salaries, wages and other personal service compensation earned by residents both in and out of the Village and to earnings of nonresidents (except certain transients) earned in the Village. It also applies to the net income of business organizations located within the Village. Tax receipts are accounted for in the General Fund and transferred based on Council ordinance allocation to various funds for operations. During 2005, the Village collected \$2,072,716 in income tax receipts.

NOTE 9 - PENSION PLANS

A. Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Village participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20% per year). Under the member directed plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of the member and vested employer contributions plus any investment earnings.

The combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and a defined contribution plan. Under the combined plan, employer contributions are invested by the retirement system to provide a formula retirement benefit similar to the traditional plan benefit.

Member contributions, whose investment is self-directed by the member, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the member directed plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional and combined plans. Members of the member directed plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to OPERS, 277 E. Town St., Columbus, OH 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-6705.

For the year ended December 31, 2005, the members of all three plans, except those in law enforcement or public safety participating in the traditional plan, were required to contribute 8.5% of their annual covered salaries. Members participating in the traditional plan who were in law enforcement contributed 10.1% of their annual covered salary; members in public safety contributed 9%. The Village's contribution rate for pension benefits for 2005 was 9.55%, except for those plan members in law enforcement or public safety. For those classifications, the Village's pension contributions were 12.7% of covered payroll. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Village's contributions to OPERS for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003 were \$132,022, \$129,071, and \$117,871, respectively; these contributions were sufficient to fulfill the requirements.

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NOTE 9 - PENSION PLANS – (Continued)

B. Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund

Full-time uniformed employees of the City participate in the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. The OP&F provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by Ohio State Legislature and are codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code. The OP&F issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. That report may be obtained by writing to OP&F, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

Plan members are required to contribute 10.0% of their annual covered salary, while the City is required to contribute 19.50% and 24.0% for police officers and firefighters, respectively. The City's contributions to OP&F for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003 were \$56,187, \$53,375, and \$52,018, respectively; these contributions were sufficient to fulfill the requirements.

NOTE 10 - POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS

A. Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) provides postretirement health care coverage to age and service retirees with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with either the traditional or combined plans. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. Members of the member-directed plan do not qualify for postretirement health care coverage. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit as described in GASB Statement No. 12, "Disclosure of Information on Postemployment Benefits other than Pension Benefits by State and Local Government Employers". A portion of each employer's contribution to the traditional or combined plans is set aside for the funding of postretirement health care based on authority granted by State statute. The 2005 local government employer contribution rate was 13.55% of covered payroll (16.70% for public safety and law enforcement); 4.00% of covered payroll was the portion that was used to fund health care.

Benefits are advance-funded using the entry age actuarial cost method. Significant actuarial assumptions, based on OPERS's latest actuarial review performed as of December 31, 2005, include a rate of return on investments of 6.50%, an annual increase in active employee total payroll of 4.00% compounded annually (assuming no change in the number of active employees) and an additional increase in total payroll of between .50% and 6.30% based on additional annual pay increases. Health care premiums were assumed to increase at the projected wage inflation rate (4.00%) plus and an additional factor ranging from .50% to 6.00% for the next nine years. In subsequent years, (10 and beyond) health care costs were assumed to increase at 4.00%.

All investments are carried at market. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Assets are adjusted to reflect 25% of unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assets annually.

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NOTE 10 - POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS - (Continued)

The number of active contributing participants in the traditional and combined plans was 379,109 as of December 31, 2005. Actual employer contributions for 2005 which were used to fund postemployment benefits were \$38,973. The actual contribution and the actuarially required contribution amounts are the same. OPERS's net assets available for payment of benefits at December 31, 2005 were \$11.1 billion. At December 31, 2005, the actuarially accrued liability and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability were \$31.3 billion and \$20.2 billion, respectively.

On September 9, 2004 the OPERS Retirement Board adopted a Health Care Preservation Plan (HCPP) with an effective date of January 1, 2007. The HCPP restructures OPERS' health care coverage to improve the financial solvency of the fund in response to skyrocketing health care costs.

Under the HCPP, retirees eligible for health care coverage will receive a graded monthly allocation based on their years of service at retirement. The Plan incorporates a cafeteria approach, offering a broad range of health care options that allow benefit recipients to use their monthly allocation to purchase health care coverage customized to meet their individual needs. If the monthly allocation exceeds the cost of the options selected, the excess is deposited into a Retiree Medical Account that can be used to fund future health care expenses.

B. Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund

The OP&F provides postretirement health care coverage to any person who receives or is eligible to receive a monthly benefit check or is a spouse or eligible dependent child of such person. An eligible dependent child is any child under the age of 18 whether or not the child is attending school or under the age of 22 if attending school full-time or on a 2/3 basis.

The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement No. 12, "Disclosure of Information on Postemployment Benefits Other than Pension Benefits by State and Local Government Employers". The Ohio Revised Code provides that health care cost paid from the funds of the OP&F shall be included in the employer's contribution rate. The total police officer employer contribution rate is 19.5% of covered payroll and the total firefighter's employer contribution rate is 24.0% of covered payroll.

The Ohio Revised Code provides the authority allowing OP&F's Board of Trustees to provide health care coverage to all eligible individuals. Health care funding and accounting is on a pay-as-you-go basis. A percentage of covered payroll, as defined by the Board, is used to pay retiree health care expenses.

The Board defined allocation was 7.75% of covered payroll in 2004 and 2005. In addition, since July 1, 1992, most retirees have been required to contribute a portion of the cost of their health care coverage through a deduction from their monthly benefit payment.

The number of participants eligible to receive health care benefits as of December 31, 2005, is 13,922 for police officers and 10,537 for firefighters. The amount of employer contributions used to pay postemployment benefits was \$22,331. OP&F's total health care expense for the year ending December 31, 2005, was \$108.039 million, which was net of member contributions of \$55.272 million.

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NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village is exposed to various risks of property and casualty losses, and injuries to employees.

The Village insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation.

The Village belongs to the Public Entities Pool of Ohio (PEP), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio political subdivisions. PEP provides property and casualty coverage for its members. PEP is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP). Member political subdivisions pay annual contributions to fund PEP. PEP pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

Casualty Coverage

PEP retains casualty risks up to \$250,000 per occurrence, including claim adjustment expenses. PEP pays a percentage of its contributions to APEEP. APEEP reinsures claims exceeding \$250,000, up to \$1,750,000 per claim and \$10,000,000 in the aggregate per year. Members can elect additional coverage, from \$2,000,000 to \$12,000,000 with the General Reinsurance Corporation, through contracts with PEP.

If losses exhaust PEP's retained earnings, APEEP provides *excess of funds available* coverage up to \$5,000,000 per year, subject to a per-claim limit of \$2,000,000.

Property Coverage

Through 2004, PEP retained property risks, including automobile physical damage, up to \$100,000 on any specific loss in any one occurrence. The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsured losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$500 million per occurrence.

Beginning in 2005, Travelers reinsures specific losses exceeding \$250,000 up to \$600 million per occurrence. APEEP reinsures members for specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$250,000 per occurrence, subject to an annual aggregate loss payment. Travelers provides aggregate stop-loss coverage based upon the combined members' total insurable value. If the stop loss is reached by payment of losses between \$100,000 and \$250,000, Travelers will reinsure specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to their \$600 million per occurrence limit. The aggregate stop-loss limit for 2005 was \$1,682,589.

The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreements do not discharge PEP's primary liability for claims payments on covered losses. Claims exceeding coverage limits are the obligation of the respective township.

Property and casualty settlements did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

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NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)

Financial Position

PEP's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2005 and 2004:

<u>Casualty Coverage</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Assets	\$ 29,719,675	\$ 27,437,169
Liabilities	<u>(15,994,168)</u>	<u>(13,880,038)</u>
Retained earnings	<u>\$ 13,725,507</u>	<u>\$ 13,557,131</u>
<u>Property Coverage</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Assets	\$ 4,443,332	\$ 3,648,272
Liabilities	<u>(1,068,245)</u>	<u>(540,073)</u>
Retained earnings	<u>\$ 3,375,087</u>	<u>\$ 3,108,199</u>

Additional financial information may be obtained at www.pepohio.org.

At December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively, casualty coverage liabilities noted above include approximately \$14.3 million and \$12.0 million of estimated incurred claims payable. The Casualty Coverage assets and retained earnings above also include approximately \$14.3 million and \$12.0 million of unpaid claims to be billed to approximately 439 member political subdivisions in the future, as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. These amounts will be included in future contributions from members when the related claims are due for payment. The City's share of these unpaid claims collectible in future years is approximately \$144,000. This payable includes the subsequent year's contribution due if it terminates participation, as described in the last paragraph below.

Based on discussions with PEP the expected rates PEP charges to compute member contributions, which are used to pay claims as they become due, are not expected to change significantly from those used to determine the historical contributions detailed below. By contract, the liability of each member is limited to the amount of financial contributions required to be made to PEP for each year of membership.

<u>Contributions to PEP</u>	
2005	\$ 71,892

After completing one year of membership, members may withdraw on each anniversary of the date they joined PEP. They must provide written notice to PEP 60 days in advance of the anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible for a full or partial refund of their capital contributions, minus the subsequent year's contribution. Withdrawing members have no other future obligation to the pool. Also upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim was incurred or reported prior to the withdrawal.

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NOTE 12 - CONTINGENT LIABILITY

LITIGATION

The Village is not currently involved in litigation that the Village's legal counsel anticipates a loss.

NOTE 13 - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The Village receives approximately 60% of its electric, water and sewer revenue from a local manufacturer. The same manufacturer also accounts for approximately 60% of the Village's income tax receipts through payroll withholdings and the manufacturer's corporate tax.

NOTE 14 - JOINT VENTURE WITH EQUITY INTEREST

The Village of New Bremen is a Financing Participant with an ownership percentage of 2.38%, and shares participation with forty-one other subdivisions within the State of Ohio in the Ohio Municipal Electric Generation Agency Joint Venture 5 (OMEGA JV5). Financing Participants own undivided interests, as tenants in common, without right of partition in the OMEGA JV5 Project.

Pursuant to the OMEGA Joint Venture JV5 Agreement (Agreement), the participants jointly undertook as Financing Participants, the acquisition, construction, and equipping of OMEGA JV5, including such portions of OMEGA JV5 as have been acquired, constructed or equipped by AMP-Ohio.

OMEGA JV5 was created to construct a 42 Megawatt (MW) run-of-the-river hydroelectric plant (including 40MW of backup generation) and associated transmission facilities (on the Ohio River near the Bellville, West Virginia Locks and Dam) and sell electricity from its operations to OMEGA JV5 Participants.

Pursuant to the Agreement each participant has an obligation to pay its share of debt service on the Beneficial Interest Certificates (Certificates) from the revenues of its electric system, subject only to the prior payment of Operating & Maintenance Expenses (O&M) of each participant's System, and shall be on a parity with any outstanding and future senior electric system revenue bonds, notes or other indebtedness payable from any revenues of the System. On dissolution of OMEGA JV5, the net assets will be shared by the financing participants on a percentage of ownership basis. Under the terms of the Agreement each participant is to fix, charge and collect rates, fees and charges at least sufficient in order to maintain a debt coverage ratio equal to 110% of the sum of OMEGA JV5 debt service and any other outstanding senior lien electric system revenue obligations. As of December 31, 2005 New Bremen has met their debt coverage obligation.

The Agreement provides that the failure of any JV5 participant to make any payment due by the due date thereof constitutes a default. In the event of a default, OMEGA JV5 may take certain actions including the termination of a defaulting JV5 Participant's entitlement to Project Power. Each Participant may purchase a pro rata share of the defaulting JV5 Participant's entitlement to Project Power, which together with the share of the other non-defaulting JV5 Participants, is equal to the defaulting JV5 Participant's ownership share of the Project, in kilowatts ("Step Up Power") provided that the sum of any such increases shall not exceed, without consent of the non-defaulting JV5 Participant, an accumulated maximum kilowatts equal to 25% of such non-defaulting JV5 Participant's ownership share of the project prior to any such increases.

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NOTE 14 - JOINT VENTURE WITH EQUITY INTEREST - (Continued)

OMEGA JV5 is managed by AMP-Ohio, which acts as the joint venture's agent. During 1993 and 2001 AMP-Ohio issued \$153,415,000 and \$13,899,981 respectively of 30 year fixed rate Beneficial Interest Certificates (Certificates) on behalf of the Financing Participants of OMEGA JV5. The 2001 Certificates accrete to a value of \$56,125,000 on February 15, 2030. The net proceeds of the bond issues were used to construct the OMEGA JV5 Project. On February 17, 2004 the 1993 Certificates were refunded by issuing 2004 Beneficial Interest Refunding Certificates in the amount of \$116,910,000, which resulted in a savings to the membership of \$34,951,833 from the periods 2005 through 2024.

The Village's net investment to date in OMEGA JV5 was \$220,911 at December 31, 2005. Complete financial statements for OMEGA JV5 may be obtained from AMP-Ohio or from the State Auditor's website at www.auditor.state.oh.us.

NOTE 15 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements and Changes in Fund Cash Balance – Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) presented for the general fund is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis are outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (cash basis). At December 31, 2005, the encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to \$303,461 for the general fund.



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**Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance
and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed
in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards***

Members of Council and Mayor
Village of New Bremen, Auglaize County
214 N. Washington
New Bremen, Ohio 45869

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of New Bremen, Auglaize County, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Village's financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 8, 2007, wherein we noted the Village of New Bremen prepared its financial statements on the cash basis of accounting, a comprehensive basis of accounting rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As disclosed in Note 3 to the financial statements, the Village has presented a prior period adjustment to restate net assets at January 1, 2005 due to fund reclassifications. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Village of New Bremen's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures to express our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable 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 caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements we audited may occur and not be timely detected by employees when 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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village of New Bremen's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, 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 an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed two instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2005-VONB-001 and 2005-VONB-002. We also noted other immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to the management of the Village of New Bremen in a separate letter dated February 8, 2007.

This report is intended solely for the information of the Council and management of the Village of New Bremen and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Julian & Grube, Inc.
February 8, 2007

**VILLAGE OF NEW BREMEN
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
DECEMBER 31, 2005**

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS	
Finding Number	2005-VONB-001

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(B) requires in part that no subdivision is to expend monies unless it has been appropriated.

It was noted during the audit that the Village had disbursements in excess of appropriations in the following funds:

<u>Major Funds/Department/Item</u>	<u>Excess</u>
General Fund	
Fire Department: Uniform Cleaning	\$ 2,488
Income Tax: Transfers out	14,815
Total	\$ 17,303
<u>NonMajor Funds/Department/Item</u>	
Parks and Recreation	
Park: Healthy Ohio Expense	\$ 12,472
FEMA Fire Grant:	
Operations	107,301
Legal fees	4,813
Total	\$ 112,114
FEMA Storm: Operations	\$ 85,955
Water Fund: Repair Building	\$ 338
Electric Fund: Benefits	\$ 12,763
Refuse: Capital Outlay	\$ 9,958

With disbursements exceeding appropriations, the Village is spending monies that have not lawfully been appropriated by Village Council. This may result in unnecessary spending.

We recommend that the Village comply with the Ohio Revised Code and the Auditor of State Bulletin 97-010 by monitoring their expenditures so they do not exceed lawful appropriations and amending the budget prior to year end. This may be achieved by monitoring the budget more closely on a continual basis.

Client Response: The Village Council will attempt to pass amended appropriations in a timely manner in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS	
Finding Number	2005-VONB-002

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41 (D) requires that no orders or contracts involving the disbursement of monies are to be made unless there is a certificate of the Clerk/Treasurer that the amount required for the order or contract has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances.

It was noted during the audit that the Village Clerk/Treasurer issued Clerk Certificates; however, many disbursements were dated prior to the certificate.

Without timely certification the Village may expend more funds than available in the treasury, in the process of collection or than funds appropriated by the Village Council, which could potentially lead to negative fund balances. In addition, the Village may make unnecessary purchases.

We recommend that the Village Clerk/Treasurer timely certify its disbursements to insure all monies expended are lawfully appropriated and available in the treasury or in the process of collection. The Village should issue approved purchase orders and consider using blanket and super blanket purchase orders and/or "Then and Now" certificates where applicable.

Client Response: The Clerk/Treasurer will attempt to certify Clerk Certificates in a more timely manner.

**VILLAGE OF NEW BREMEN
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO**

**SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2005**

<u>Finding Number</u>	<u>Finding Summary</u>	<u>Fully Corrected?</u>	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No <u>Longer</u> <u>Valid; Explain:</u>
2004-VONB-001	Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.39 in part requires that the total appropriation from each fund should not exceed total estimated resources.	Yes	N/A



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

VILLAGE OF NEW BREMEN

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.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
JUNE 26, 2007**