AUDIT REPORT

For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013





Village Council Village of McDonald 451 Ohio Ave McDonald, OH 44437

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Village of McDonald, Trumbull County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014. 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 McDonald is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

September 1, 2015



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Village of McDonald Trumbull County 451 Ohio Avenue McDonald, Ohio 44437

To the Village Council:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements and related notes of the Village of McDonald, Trumbull County, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Village's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the Village prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

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Though the Village does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United State of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Village as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the years then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash balances of the Village of McDonald, Trumbull County as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 20, 2015, on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Village's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc.

June 20, 2015

COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

Ocah Bassinta	 General	Special Revenue	 Debt Service	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts Property and Other Local Taxes Municipal Income Tax	\$ 152,276 1,115,380	\$ 11,258 -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 163,534 1,115,380
Intergovernmental Special Assessments	88,677 180	186,349	-	578,494 -	853,520 180
Charges for Services Fines, Licenses and Permits Earnings on Investments	50,420 7,300	48,111 52 484	-	- - 2	48,111 50,472 7,786
Miscellaneous	40,430	404	<u>-</u>	-	40,434
Total Cash Receipts	 1,454,663	 246,258	 	 578,496	2,279,417
Cash Disbursements Current:					
Security of Persons and Property Public Health Services	486,481 5,000	131,967 -	-	-	618,448 5,000
Leisure Time Activities Community Environment Basic Utility Services	24,740 6,750 135,000	-	-	-	24,740 6,750 135,000
Transportation General Government	379,249	243,866 1,895	-	-	243,866 381,144
Capital Outlay	 -	 -	 -	 715,340	715,340
Total Cash Disbursements	 1,037,220	 377,728	 -	 715,340	2,130,288
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	417,443	(131,470)	-	(136,844)	149,129
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements) Transfers In Transfers Out	(420,000)	 115,000 -	 - -	 250,000	365,000 (420,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)	 (420,000)	 115,000	 	 250,000	(55,000)
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	(2,557)	(16,470)	-	113,156	94,129
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	 721,294	 199,278	 28,190	 40,038	988,800
Fund Cash Balances, December 31 Restricted Committed Assigned Unassigned	- - - 718,737	182,808 - - -	- - 28,190 -	- 153,194 - -	182,808 153,194 28,190 718,737
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 718,737	\$ 182,808	\$ 28,190	\$ 153,194	\$ 1,082,929

COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL PROPRIETARY AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Proprietary Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Type	_	Totals	
	Enterprise	<u>: </u>		ternal ervice	Agency	(M	emorandum Only)
Operating Cash Receipts Charges for Services Fines, Licenses and Permits Miscellaneous	\$ 1,170,83 124,31	-	\$	6,684 - -	\$ - 17,159 -	\$	1,177,521 17,159 124,315
Total Operating Cash Receipts	1,295,15	52		6,684	17,159		1,318,995
Operating Cash Disbursements Personal Services Employee Fringe Benefits Contractual Services Supplies and Materials Claims Other	230,08 46,84 705,71 60,96	19 15		- 1,425 - 52,982	- - - - 17,159	_	230,089 46,849 707,140 60,963 52,982 17,159
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	1,043,61	16		54,407	17,159		1,115,182
Operating Income (Loss)	251,53	36		(47,723)	-		203,813
Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements) Intergovernmental Capital Outlay Principal Retirement	651,07 (1,068,71 (5,37	7)		- -	<u>-</u>	_	651,072 (1,068,717) (5,379)
Total Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)	(423,02	24)					(423,024)
Income (Loss) before Transfers	(171,48	38)		(47,723)	-		(219,211)
Transfers In				55,000			55,000
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	(171,48	88)		7,277	-		(164,211)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	1,123,46	<u> </u>		28,130			1,151,591
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 951,97	<u>′3</u>	\$	35,407	\$ -	\$	987,380

COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

Cash Receipts	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 154.803	\$ 8.456	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 163,259
Municipal Income Tax	1,010,832	Ф 0,430	Φ -	Φ -	1,010,832
Intergovernmental	50,648	187,583	-	213,865	452,096
Charges for Services	30,040	60,846	_	213,003	60,846
Fines, Licenses and Permits	49,871	1,883	_	_	51,754
Earnings on Investments	7,718	512	_	3	8,233
Miscellaneous	47,223	896	_	429	48,548
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Total Cash Receipts	1,321,095	260,176		214,297	1,795,568
Cash Disbursements					
Current:	470 545	440.004			040.540
Security of Persons and Property	472,515	140,004	-	-	612,519
Public Health Services	4,824	-	-	-	4,824
Leisure Time Activities	24,740	-	-	-	24,740
Community Environment	6,825	-	-	-	6,825
Basic Utility Services	135,000	-	-	-	135,000
Transportation	2,000	236,642	-	-	238,642
General Government	397,574	1,723	-	-	399,297
Capital Outlay				395,815	395,815
Total Cash Disbursements	1,043,478	378,369		395,815	1,817,662
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	277,617	(118,193)	-	(181,518)	(22,094)
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements) Transfers In		120,000		150,000	270 000
Transfers Out	(215,000)	120,000	-	150,000	270,000 (315,000)
Transiers Out	(315,000)				(313,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)	(315,000)	120,000		150,000	(45,000)
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	(37,383)	1,807	-	(31,518)	(67,094)
Restated Fund Cash Balances, January 1, Note 12	758,677	197,471	28,190	71,556	1,055,894
Fund Cash Balances, December 31					
Restricted	-	199,278	-	-	199,278
Committed	=	-	-	40,038	40,038
Assigned	-	-	28,190	-	28,190
Unassigned	721,294				721,294
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 721,294	\$ 199,278	\$ 28,190	\$ 40,038	\$ 988,800

COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL PROPRIETARY AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

	Proprietary	Fund Types	Fiduciary Fund Type	Totals	
	Internal Enterprise Service		Agency	(Memorandum Only)	
Operating Cash Receipts Charges for Services Fines, Licenses and Permits Miscellaneous	\$ 1,215,825 - 124,191	\$ 7,763	\$ - 22,104	\$ 1,223,588 22,104 124,191	
Total Operating Cash Receipts	1,340,016	7,763	22,104	1,369,883	
Operating Cash Disbursements Personal Services Employee Fringe Benefits Contractual Services Supplies and Materials Claims Other	212,983 43,414 661,181 58,963	2,338 - 37,433	- - - - 22,104	212,983 43,414 663,519 58,963 37,433 22,104	
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	976,541	39,771	22,104	1,038,416	
Operating Income (Loss)	363,475	(32,008)	-	331,467	
Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements) Capital Outlay Principal Retirement	(69,081) (5,378)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(69,081) (5,378)	
Total Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)	(74,459)			(74,459)	
Income (Loss) before Transfers	289,016	(32,008)	-	257,008	
Transfers In		45,000		45,000	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	289,016	12,992	-	302,008	
Restated Fund Cash Balances, January 1 , Note 12	834,445	15,138		849,583	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 1,123,461	\$ 28,130	\$ -	\$ 1,151,591	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Village of McDonald, Trumbull County, Ohio (the Village) as a body corporate and politic. A publicly-elected, six-member Council directs the Village. The Village provides general government services, maintenance of Village roads and bridges, park operations, water and sewer utilities, and police and fire service.

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

B. Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Village recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Coe Section 117.8 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

C. Deposits and Investments

The Village's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Village values U.S. Agency Notes at cost. Money market mutual funds (including STAR Ohio) are recorded at share values the mutual funds report.

D. Fund Accounting

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

1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for and reports all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

<u>Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund</u> - This fund receives gasoline tax and motor vehicle tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Village streets.

3. Debt Service Fund

This fund accounts for and reports financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

4. Capital Project Fund

This fund accounts for and reports financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Village had the following significant Capital Project Fund:

<u>Capital Improvement Fund</u> - This fund receives grant proceeds and tax revenues for capital improvements of the Village.

5. Enterprise Funds

These funds account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises, where management intends to recover the significant costs of providing certain goods or services through user charges. The Village had the following significant Enterprise Funds:

<u>Water Fund</u> - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover water service costs.

<u>Sewer Fund</u> - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover sewer service costs.

6. Internal Service Fund

This fund accounts for services provided by one department to other departments of the government unit. The Village had the following Internal Service Fund:

<u>Health and Welfare Fund</u> - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover water service costs.

7. Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds include private purpose trust funds and agency funds. Trust funds account for assets held under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments which are not available to support the Village's own programs.

Agency funds are purely custodial in nature and are used to hold resources for individuals, organizations or other governments. The Village disburses these funds as directed by the individual, organization or other government. The Village's agency fund accounts for Mayor's Court fines collected and remitted to the Village by individuals and disbursed to various government entities.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

E. Budgetary Process

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

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the object level of control and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

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

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2014 and 2013 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Village must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

1. Nonspendable

The Village classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

2. Restricted

Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

3. Committed

The Council can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution or ordinance). The Village must adhere to these commitments unless the Council amends the resolution or ordinance. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

4. Assigned

Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. Governmental funds other than the general fund report all fund balances as *assigned* unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by the Village Council or a Village official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

5. Unassigned

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Village applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

G. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Village records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

H. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

2. Equity in Pooled Deposits

The Village maintains a deposit pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits and investments at December 31 was as follows:

 2014		2013
\$ 286,530	\$	143,791
 992,200		1,208,749
1,278,730		1,352,540
 _		_
18,519		18,511
 773,060		769,340
791,579		787,851
\$ 2,070,309	\$	2,140,391
\$	\$ 286,530 992,200 1,278,730 18,519 773,060 791,579	\$ 286,530 \$ 992,200

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

2. Equity in Pooled Deposits (continued)

Investments: Investments in STAR Ohio and Huntington are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

3. Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2013 and 2014 follows:

2014 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$ 1,202,372	\$ 1,454,663	\$ 252,291
Special Revenue	421,508	361,258	(60,250)
Capital Projects	1,230,000	828,496	(401,504)
Enterprise	2,111,000	1,946,224	(164,776)
Internal Service	60,000	61,684	1,684

2014 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Disbursements

2014 Budgeted V3. Actual Budgetary Basis Disbursements						
	Appropriation	Budgetary				
Fund Type	Authority	Disbursements	Variance			
General	\$ 1,497,838	\$ 1,457,220	\$ 40,618			
Special Revenue	423,445	377,728	45,717			
Capital Project	1,252,000	715,340	536,660			
Enterprise	2,297,155	2,117,712	179,443			
Internal Service	60,900	54,407	6,493			

2013 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual					
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance				
General	\$ 2,073,523	\$ 1,321,092	\$ (752,431)				
Special Revenue	486,499	380,176	(106,323)				
Capital Project	450,000	364,297	(85,703)				
Enterprise	1,410,000	1,340,016	(69,984)				
Internal Service	50,000	52,763	2,763				

2013 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Disbursements

	Appropriation		Budgetary			_
Fund Type	Authority		Disbursements		Variance	
General	\$	2,146,153	\$	1,358,478	\$	787,675
Special Revenue		419,310		378,369		40,941
Capital Project		459,500		395,815		63,685
Enterprise		1,329,128		1,051,000		278,128
Internal Service		50,900		39,771		11,129

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

4. Property Tax

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

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

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

5. Local Income Tax

The Village levies a municipal income tax of 2 percent on substantially all earned income arising from employment, residency, or business activities within the Village as well as certain income of residents earned outside of the Village.

Employers within the Village withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit the tax to the Village either monthly or quarterly, as required. Corporations and other individual taxpayers pay estimated taxes quarterly and file a declaration annually. The Village contracts with the Regional Income Tax Agency (RITA) for the collection of taxes, including delinquencies and monitoring of compliance with filing requirements.

6. Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Principal		Interest Rate
Ohio Public Works Commission Loan	\$	43,034	0%
Total	\$	43,034	

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) loan relates to the sewer plant expansion project and the Waste Water Treatment Plant – Catch Basin. The OPWC has approved up to \$707,586 in interest free loans to the Village for these projects. This loan will be repaid in semi-annual installments over 20 years. The loan is to be repaid from enterprise funds and is collateralized by water and sewer user fees.

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

Year ending December 31:	OP\	OPWC Loan	
2015	\$	5,379	
2016		5,379	
2017		5,379	
2018		5,379	
2019		5,379	
2020-2024		16,139	
Total	\$	43,034	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

6. Debt (continued)

In the prior audit report, the outstanding balance was understated by \$8,628. The outstanding debt amount and amortization table have been adjusted accordingly.

7. Retirement Systems

The Village's full-time police officers belong to the Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F). Other employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OP&F and OPERS are cost-sharing, multiple-employer plans. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes these plans' benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For January – June 2013, OP&F participants contributed 10% of their earnable salaries. For July 2013 – June 2013, OP&F participants contributed 10.75% of their earnable salaries. For July 2014 – December 2014, OP&F participants contributed 11.5% of their earnable salaries. For 2014 and 2013, the Village contributed to OP&F an amount equal to 19.5% of full-time police members' earnable salaries. For 2014 and 2013, OPERS members contributed 10% of their earnable salaries and the Village contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants' earnable salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2014.

9. Risk Management

Commercial Insurance

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- · Public officials and law enforcement liability;
- Crime;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

There have been no settlements paid in excess of insurance coverage nor has insurance coverage been significantly reduced in the past three years.

The Village pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is based on accident history and administrative costs.

10. Contingent Liabilities

Management believes there are no pending claims or lawsuits.

11. Transfers

Transfers were made from the General Fund to various funds to subsidize operations and capital projects and to fund the Village's internal service fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

12. Prior Period Adjustment

An adjustment of prior period fund balances was necessary due to the reclassification of the Village's Income Tax, Police and Fire Pension, and Retirement/Sick Leave Buyout funds which were previously recorded as agency funds.

	General Fund		Special Revenue		Agency	
Fund Cash Balance, Previously Reported at						
December 31, 2012	\$	11,884	\$	159,164	\$	785,100
Adjustments		746,793		38,307		(785,100)
Restated Fund Balance, January 1, 2013		758,677		197,471		-

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY **GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Village of McDonald Trumbull County 451 Ohio Avenue McDonald, Ohio 44437

To the Village Council:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' Government Auditing Standards, the financial statements of the Village of McDonald, Trumbull County (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 20, 2015, wherein we noted the Village followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider a material weakness.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Village's financial statements. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider finding 2014-001 described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a material weakness.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Village'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 directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining 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 instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2014-001.

We also noted certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the Village's management in a separate letter dated June 20, 2015.

Entity's Response to Finding

The Village's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not audit the Village's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Village's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Charles Having Association

Charles E. Harris and Associates, Inc. June 20, 2015

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

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

Finding Number: 2014-001 - Material Weakness and Noncompliance

Audit Adjustments and Reclassifications

Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 requires entities filing on a cash-basis to file annual reports with the Auditor of State within 60 days of the fiscal year-end on the form used by the public office.

Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-02(A) provides that all local public offices should maintain an accounting system and accounting records sufficient to enable the public office to identify, assemble, analyze, classify, record and report its transactions, maintain accountability for the related assets, document compliance and finance-related legal and contractual requirements and prepare financial statements.

The Village Officer's Handbook and UAN accounting system provide suggested account classifications. These accounts classify receipts by fund and source (taxes or charges for services, for example). Using these classifications and the aforementioned accounting records will provide the Village with information required to monitor compliance and with the budget and prepare annual reports in the format required by the Auditor of State.

During audit procedures performed, errors were noted in the Village's financial statements that required audit adjustments and reclassifications as follows:

- During 2014 and 2013, property tax monies were posted as Intergovernmental revenue instead of Property and Other Local Tax revenue.
- During 2014 and 2013, cable fee revenue was classified as Charges for Services instead of Fines, Licenses and Permits revenue.
- During 2014 and 2013, water and sewer user fees were posted as Miscellaneous revenue and Fines, Licenses and Permits revenue in the enterprise funds instead of Charges for Services.
- During 2014, reimbursements received were classified as Other Financing Sources instead of Miscellaneous revenue.
- During 2014 and 2013, expenses for Employee Fringe Benefits were classified as personal services in the enterprise funds.
- During 2014 and 2013, partial payment of the solicitor's fees from the enterprise funds was classified as Personal Services instead of Contractual Services expense.
- During 2014 and 2013, payment of internal service claims and the related fees were classified as Personal Services instead of Claims and Contractual Services expenses.
- During 2014 and 2013, disbursements of Mayor's court fees was classified as Supplies and Materials instead of Other expense in the agency fund.
- During the prior audit, it was noted that the agency funds included an Income Tax fund, a Police and Fire Pension fund and a Retirement/Sick Leave Buyout fund, none of which should be classified as agency funds.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS - Continued DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

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

Finding Number: 2014-001 - Material Weakness and Noncompliance (continued)

The accompanying financial statements and the Village's records have been adjusted to properly reflect these transactions.

The Village elects to file its annual reports on a regulatory basis with the Auditor of State however, the Village filed OCBOA-cash basis statements with the Auditor of State for the years ended 2014 and 2013 without actually preparing OCBOA-cash basis statements. This led to materially misleading statements being filed for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013.

Sound financial reporting is the responsibility of the Village and is essential to ensure the information provided to the readers of the financial statements is complete and accurate. We recommend the Village adopt policies and procedures to identify and correct errors and omissions in a timely manner. Management can use the UAN Handbook, the Village Officer's Handbook and other Auditor of State guidance to aid in properly identifying account classifications.

Management's Response:

Management agrees with the adjustments and will review its annual financial report for errors and omissions in the future.

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

FINDING NUMBER	FUNDING SUMMARY	FULLY CORRECTED?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2012-001	Improper Investments	Yes	Finding No Longer Valid
2012-002	Failure to Perform Duties - Treasurer	Yes	Finding No Longer Valid
2012-003	Expenditures Exceeded Appropriations	Yes	Finding No Longer Valid
2012-004	Misclassification of Receipts	No	Partially Corrected, Combined into 2014-001



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED SEPTEMBER 10, 2015