Village of Evendale Hamilton County, Ohio

Financial Statements December 31, 2015



Village Council Village of Evendale 10500 Reading Road Evendale, Ohio 45241

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Village of Evendale, Hamilton County, prepared by Bastin & Company, LLC, for the audit period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. 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 Evendale is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

July 24, 2017



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Bastin & Company, LLC

Certified Public Accountants

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Village of Evendale Hamilton County 10500 Reading Road Evendale, Ohio 45241

To the Village Council:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of Evendale, Hamilton County, Ohio (the Village), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the cash accounting basis Note 2 describes. This responsibility includes determining that the cash accounting basis is acceptable for the circumstances. Management is also responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are 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.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of Evendale, Hamilton County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2015, and the respective changes in cash financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting basis described in Note 2.

Accounting Basis

We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the accounting basis. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which differs from generally accepted accounting principles. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Matters

Other Information

We applied no procedures to Management's Discussion and Analysis, as listed in the table of contents. Accordingly, we express no opinion or any other assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

Bastin & Company, LLC

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 16, 2017, 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.

Cincinnati, Ohio June 16, 2017

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Management's Discussion and Analysis
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This discussion and analysis of the Village of Evendale's financial performance provides an overall review of the Village's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2015, within the limitations of the Village's cash basis accounting. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the Village's financial performance.

Highlights

Key highlights for 2015 are as follows:

Net position of governmental activities increased \$2,132,808, or 12.9%. The General Fund had an increase of \$2,151,563 and the remainder of the funds decreased by \$18,755.

The Village's general receipts are primarily earnings taxes. Earnings tax represents 85.7% of the total cash received for governmental activities during the year. Charges for Emergency Medical Service runs performed by the Village's Fire Department resulted in income of \$142,995 in 2015, which is a decrease of approximately 10.7% from 2014. Revenues from EMS services are accounted for in a Special Revenue Fund, Fire Services, and are used to help offset the cost of providing Fire and EMS services and equipment costs.

In 2015 the Village Council elected not to collect property taxes that would increase the total revenues of the Village by approximately \$641,000. The property tax millage available to the Village includes the following:

	Inside Mils
General Fund	3.00
Police Pension	.30
Fire Pension	.04

On January 12, 2006 the Village Council passed Ordinance 06-03 approving the execution of a tax incentive agreement with the Princeton School District and Evendale Commons Ltd. for the improvement of certain real property located in the Village. On April 2, 2009 the Village Council passed Ordinance 09-16 providing for the issuance of Tax Increment Revenue Notes by the Village, not to exceed \$4,385,000. The Council has previously issued its Tax Incremental Revenue Bond Anticipation Notes, in anticipation of the issuance of tax increment revenue bonds to fulfill its agreements. On April 2, 2009 the Village signed a Contract of Purchase with Fifth Third Securities, Inc. the underwriter, for the underwriter to purchase and resell the notes of the Village in the amount of \$4,385,000 with an interest rate that would be set weekly. The notes were dated May 14, 2009. The Village received \$4,385,000 from the sale of the notes in 2009. On October 8, 2013 the Village issued Ordinance 13-52 which authorized the refinance of the aforementioned notes and issued a tax increment revenue refunding bond in the amount of \$4,305,000 which will mature December 1, 2037. The revenue bond is not a general obligation of the Village and the general credit and taxing power of the Village are not pledged to the payment of the debt service on the bond. Only the revenues from the service payments, to be made by owners of the property located within the Evendale Commons project, are pledged to pay the debt service on the bond. These revenues were \$710,039 in 2015. The Village elected to have the General Fund purchase as an investment the newly issued tax increment revenue refunding bond which is paying a 6.5% interest rate. The Evendale Commons Fund currently has approximately \$894,216 in net position and will make a \$90,000 principal repayment and a \$271,375 interest payment to the Village's General Fund in 2016. Annual revenues for the Fund are expected to be approximately \$500,000 through the 2037 maturity date.

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A traffic signal replacement project was started in 2012 in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Transportation using a Highway Planning and Construction/ LPA Federal Local-Let Project Agreement which provided Federal funds under CFDA # 20.205. The construction costs of the project through 2014 were \$2,809,905 of which \$1,216,723 was paid by local funds and \$1,593,182 was paid with Federal funds over the three year period. The project was completed in 2014 and closed out in 2015.

The Village received approval from Ohio Public Works Commission for a grant of \$225,259 for a Mill Creek Restoration project in June 2015. The Village of Evendale is to provide a cash match of approximately \$52,000 and an in kind match of approximately \$23,000. The project is in its infancy and no funds were received in 2015. The work is expected to be completed spring 2016. In addition the Village was awarded a Federal grant of \$487,100 from the Ohio Department of Transportation in September 2015 for resurfacing a portion of Reading Road. The local match requirement related to this grant is at 51% or \$505,000. No funds were received in 2015 as this work is also expected to commence in the spring of 2016. The complete project cost of approximately \$992,000 was included in the 2016 budget.

The Village entered into several project agreements in 2015. The first agreement was approved with Ordinance 15-50. It is an electric aggregation agreement with Dynegy Energy Service LLC to provide electric to Village residents at a fixed rate. The second agreement was approved with Ordinance 15-39. It is a five year renewal contract with Gorman Heritage Farm for the operation, management and maintenance of one of the Villages finest assets. Finally, the Village has entered into agreements for two separate development projects. The first project is in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Transportation's "Thru the Valley" project that entails reconstruction of the I75 corridor and is expected to come through Evendale's jurisdictional area in 2017 or 2018. The Village of Evendale has partnered with IBI group to design bridges, lighting and landscaping among other things related to this state redesign work with Ordinance 15-07. Evendale anticipates a \$2,000,000 cost to the Village related to this reconstruction and has started setting aside funds for this in the amount of \$500,000 with the 2016 budget. The project is in early design phases and is not anticipated to start until 2017 or beyond. The second development project is in conjunction with St. Francis Group and the OPUS Development Company LLC to develop Village owned property along the I75 corridor as a state-of-the-art technical research center commonly referred to as the "Aerohub Project." This agreement with OPUS Development Company was approved with Ordinance 15-34 in July. The project is also in early stages but is very promising.

Finally the Village has budgeted \$700,000 in 2016 for a replacement fire engine with an expected delivery date late December 2016 or early 2017.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, No. 54 and No. 63, as applicable to the Government's cash basis of accounting.

Report Components

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities provide information about the cash and investment activities of the Village as a whole.

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Fund financial statements provide a greater level of detail. Funds are created and maintained on the financial records of the Village as a way to segregate money whose use is restricted to a particular specified purpose. These statements present financial information by fund, presenting funds with the largest balances or most activity in separate columns.

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the village-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting is a set of guidelines that determine when financial events are recorded. The Village has elected to present its financial statements on a cash basis of accounting in accordance with GASB Statement 34 and 54. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under the Village's cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid.

As a result of using the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable) are not recorded in the financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this report, the reader must keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

Reporting the Village as a Whole

The Village of Evendale, Hamilton County, Ohio, is a home rule municipal corporation established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Village operates under its own Charter and is directed by a publicly-elected mayor and a six member council. The Village provides general governmental services including Police protection, Fire and Emergency Medical Services, Recreation Center and fitness activities, park operations, local tax return preparation, trash and yard waste removal, and maintenance of Village streets and thoroughfares.

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities reflect how the Village performed financially during 2015, within the limitations of cash basis accounting. The Statement of Net Position presents the cash balances and investments of the governmental-type activities of the Village as of December 31, 2015. The Statement of Activities compares cash disbursements with program receipts for each governmental program. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, and grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts. The comparison of cash disbursements with program receipts identifies how each governmental function draws from the Village's general receipts.

These statements report the Village's cash and investment position and the changes in those positions. Keeping in mind the limitations of the cash basis of accounting, the change in cash and investment positions is one way to measure the Village's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the Village's cash or investment position may be one indicator of whether the Village's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the Village's financial condition, non-financial factors must be considered such as the Village's property tax base, the condition of the Village's capital assets and infrastructure, the extent of the Village's debt obligations, reliance on non-local financial resources for operations and the need for continued growth in the major local revenue sources such as earnings taxes and potential property tax revenue.

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Reporting the Village's Most Significant Funds

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the Village's major funds – not the Village as a whole. The Village establishes separate funds to better manage its many activities and to help demonstrate that money restricted for a particular purpose is being spent as intended. The Village only has governmental funds.

Governmental Funds - The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the Village's governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or less financial resources that can be spent to finance the Village's programs. The Village's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for non-major funds (funds whose activity or balances are not large enough to warrant separate reporting) is combined and presented in total in a single column. The Village's only major governmental funds in 2015 were the General Fund and the Capital Improvement Fund. The programs reported in governmental funds are closely related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements. This relationship is presented in a reconciliation presented with the governmental fund financial statements.

The Village as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the Village's net position for 2015 compared to 2014 on a cash basis:

(Table 1) **Net Position**

	Governmental Activities				
		2015		2014	
Assets					
Equity in pooled cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1	18,615,740	\$ 1	6,482,932	
Total Assets	\$ 1	18,615,740	\$ 1	6,482,932	
Net Position					
Restricted for:					
Debt Service	\$	917,216	\$	768,181	
Capital Projects		238,326		514,620	
Other Purposes		1,199,875		1,091,371	
Unrestricted	1	16,260,323	1	4,108,760	
Total Net Position	\$ 1	18,615,740	\$ 1	6,482,932	

As mentioned previously, net position of governmental activities increased \$2,132,808, or 12.9% during 2015.

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Table 2 reflects the changes in net position on a cash basis in 2015 and 2014 for government activities.

(Table 2) **Changes in Net Position**

	Governmental Activities 2015	Governmental Activities 2014
Receipts:		
Program Receipts:		
Charges for Services and Sales	\$ 695,971	\$ 811,209
Operating Grants and Contributions	503,832	513,651
Capital Grants and Contributions		338,266
Total Program Receipts	1,199,803	1,663,126
General Receipts:		
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	710,039	497,296
Earnings Tax	14,677,187	13,430,669
Grants and Entitlements Not Restricted		
to Specific Programs	135,427	153,254
Interest	344,705	386,191
Sale of Capital Assets	27,496	59,501
Miscellaneous	37,729	82,125
Total General Receipts	15,932,583	14,609,036
Total Receipts	17,132,386	16,272,162
Disbursements:		
General Government	2,590,153	2,273,347
Security of Persons and Property	6,061,766	5,819,056
Public Health Services	12,739	12,366
Leisure Time Activities	1,787,749	1,719,041
Community Environment	380,236	221,080
Basic Utilities	250,449	245,764
Transportation	1,038,376	1,005,552
Capital Outlay	2,601,210	2,954,360
Interest and Fiscal Charges	276,900	315,580
Total Disbursements	14,999,578	14,566,146
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	2,132,808	1,706,016
Net Position, January 1	16,482,932	14,776,916
Net Position, December 31	\$ 18,615,740	\$ 16,482,932

Program receipts represent only 7.0% of total receipts and are primarily comprised of recreation receipts, charges for emergency medical services, restricted intergovernmental receipts such as motor vehicle licenses and gas tax, building permits, inspection fees, and fines and forfeitures.

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General receipts represent 93.0% of the Village's total receipts. Local earnings tax is 92% of the general receipts. The service payments from the Evendale Commons Public Improvement project accounts for 4.45% of the general receipts. Grants, interest, asset sales and other miscellaneous income account for 3.55% of the general receipts for 2015.

The Village as a Whole

The earnings tax receipts as of 2015 reflected a 9.3% increase over the 2014 receipts. The increase was due to various factors including an increase in both the withholding tax and business tax related to an improved economy and resulting increases in personnel and wages as well as general business growth. In addition, an advance payment of business tax for 2016 was received in 2015 contributing to the increase in 2015 over 2014. In contrast, individual tax decreased by 13%. The decrease in individual tax is attributed to certain changes in reporting and individual taxpayer circumstance.

Disbursements for General Government represent the overhead costs of running the Village and the support services provided for other Village activities. Support services include the costs of the council, administration department and the cost of finance, building maintenance and earnings tax departments.

Security of persons and property are the costs of police, fire protection and emergency medical services. Public health services are contracted with the Hamilton County Health Department. Leisure time activities are the costs of maintaining the parks, swimming pool, recreation programs and playing fields. The economic development department promotes the Village to industry and commerce as well as working with other governments in the area to attract new business. Transportation is the cost of maintaining the roads.

The capital outlay was related to property acquisition and general street maintenance in both 2015 and 2014.

Governmental Activities

A comparison between the total cost of services and the net cost of services for Governmental Activities is presented in Table 3. The first column on the statement of activities, which accompanies this report, lists the major services provided by the Village. The second column identifies the costs of providing these services. The largest program disbursement for Governmental Activities is for security of persons and property, which accounts for 40.4% of all governmental disbursements. General Government (17.3%), leisure time activities (11.9%), capital outlay (17.3%) and transportation (6.9%) also represent significant costs in 2015. The "Net Cost" amount represents the cost of the service being paid from money provided by the general receipts. Program receipts, on the Statement of Activities, are the amounts paid by those who are directly charged for the services received and include grants received by the Village that must be used to provide a specific service. The Net Receipt (Disbursement) column, on the Statement of Activities, compares the program receipts to the cost of the service which are presented at the bottom of the Statement of Activities.

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(Table 3) **Governmental Activities**

	Total Cost	Net Cost
	Of Services	of Services
	2015	2015
General Government	\$ 2,590,153	\$ 2,548,294
Security of Persons and Property	6,061,766	5,814,090
Public Health Services	12,739	12,739
Leisure Time Activities	1,787,749	1,515,507
Community Environment	380,236	246,042
Basic Utilities	250,449	250,449
Transportation	1,038,376	534,544
Capital Outlay	2,601,210	2,601,210
Interest and Fiscal Charges	276,900	276,900
Total Expenses	\$ 14,999,578	\$ 13,799,775

The dependence upon earnings tax receipts is apparent through this analysis as approximately 98% of governmental activities are supported through this general receipt.

The Government's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts and other financing sources of \$19,298,386 including transfers and advances, and disbursements and other financing uses of \$17,165,578. The greatest change within governmental funds occurred within the General Fund. The Fund Balance of the General Fund increased \$2,151,563.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

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

During 2015, the Village amended its General Fund budget several times to reflect changing circumstances. Final actual receipts exceeded budgeted receipts by \$1,048,500. Final disbursements were budgeted at \$13,275,726 while actual disbursements plus encumbrances were \$11,890,847.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The Village does not report its capital assets and infrastructure as part of the financial statements prepared on the cash basis of accounting. Inventories of furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment and vehicles are kept by each department and inventoried per the fixed asset policy approved by the Village Council in 2005.

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Debt

The Village issued \$4,385,000 in Tax Increment Revenue Notes in 2009 which were refinanced in 2013 in the amount of \$4,305,000 as Tax Increment Revenue Refunding Bonds. These bonds are not a general obligation of the Village and the general credit and taxing power of the Village are not pledged to the payment of the debt service on these funds. Only the revenues from the service payments to be made by owners of the property located within the Evendale Commons project are pledged to pay the debt service on the bonds. The 2013 bonds were purchased by the Village's General Fund. Refer to note 10 of the Notes to the Financial Statements for further disclosure.

Current Issues

Governments are constantly challenged to provide the needed services to the public, maintain expected quality and stay within budget. The Village of Evendale relies heavily on earnings tax generation from its business base. The Village has seen an increase in overall earnings tax receipts for the last three years. This is a positive sign for the general business climate in Evendale and indicative of what is expected over the next few years.

GE Aviation continues to renovate and expand their global headquarter campus in Evendale. This high level of activity is evidenced by their earnings tax receipts and the number of building department permits (67 permits in 2015) issued. The Village completed a comprehensive Zoning Code amendment in 2013 which is expected to propel the Village forward in commercially developing some Village owned property to help spur other development and investment in the Village. There is some evidence to the positive impact of this as Village wide building permits increased in 2015 with 234 versus 212 issued in 2014. In addition this has been realized with the planning of the "Aerohub technical facility" currently in progress with St. Francis Group and the OPUS Development Company LLC. The Evendale Commons Business Park was approved in 2005 as a planned business development and with the completion of a Menards store in 2013, this mixed-use development is 80% complete. The remaining area to be developed is designated for office, distribution and warehouse which should further bolster our earnings tax base with added jobs.

In 2015 the Council approved the budget with a 3% increase in wages in an effort to make employees whole for the pay freeze in previous years. The Village changed health care providers in 2014 and the newly negotiated rate decreased health benefit costs by 5% from July 2014 to September 2015. The newly negotiated rate increased by 5% for the October 2015-September 2016 period effectively reverting us back to 2013 costs.

Earnings tax revenues for 2015 were almost one million over budget. Withholding and business accounts were up while individual accounts were down. The estimates for earnings tax revenue in 2016 was increased to \$13,800,000 and is expected to be conservative based on 2015 results.

Contacting the Government's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the government's finances and to reflect the Village's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Cynthia J. Caracci, CPA(inactive)/ Chief Fiscal and Accounting Officer, Village of Evendale, 10500 Reading Road, Evendale, Ohio 45241.

Hamilton County, Ohio Statement of Net Position - Cash Basis December 31, 2015

	_	overnmental Activities
Assets		
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	18,615,740
Total Assets	\$	18,615,740
Total History	Ψ	10,013,740
Net Position		
Restricted for:		
Capital Projects	\$	238,326
Debt Service		917,216
Other Purposes		1,199,875
Unrestricted		16,260,323
Total Net Position	\$	18,615,740

Hamilton County, Ohio Statement of Activities - Cash Basis For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

				Program (Cash Re	ceipts	Recei	Disbursements) pts and Changes Net Positions
	Cash Disbursements		Charges Operating for Services Grants and and Sales Contributions			rants and	Governmental Activities	
Governmental Activities Current:								
General Government Security of Persons and Property	\$	2,590,153 6,061,766	\$	41,859 247,676	\$	-	\$	(2,548,294) (5,814,090)
Public Health Services Leisure Time Activities		12,739 1,787,749		272,242 134,194		-		(12,739) (1,515,507)
Community Environment Basic Utility Services Transportation		380,236 250,449 1,038,376		134,194		503,832		(246,042) (250,449) (534,544)
Capital Outlay Debt Service		2,601,210		-		-		(2,601,210)
Interest and Fiscal Charges		276,900				-		(276,900)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	14,999,578	\$	695,971	\$	503,832	\$	(13,799,775)
			Gener	ral Receipts				
				cipal Income T				14,677,187
			-	ents in Lieu of and Entitlem		Restricted		710,039
				cific Program				135,427
			Sale o	f Capital Asse	ets			27,496
			Interes					344,705
			Misce	llaneous				37,729
			Total	General Rece	ipts			15,932,583
			Chang	ge in Net Posit	ions			2,132,808
			Net Po	osition Beginn	ing of Y	'ear		16,482,932
			Net Po	osition End of	Year		\$	18,615,740

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Statement of Assets and Fund Balances - Cash Basis
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2015

	 General	Capital rovement Fund	Go	Other overnmental Funds	G	Total overnmental Funds
Assets						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 16,260,323	\$ 238,326	\$	2,117,091	\$	18,615,740
Total Assets	\$ 16,260,323	\$ 238,326	\$	2,117,091	\$	18,615,740
Fund Balances						
Restricted	\$ -	\$ -	\$	2,117,091	\$	2,117,091
Committed	-	103,461		-		103,461
Assigned	340,085	134,865		-		474,950
Unassigned	15,920,238	-		-		15,920,238
Total Fund Balances	\$ 16,260,323	\$ 238,326	\$	2,117,091	\$	18,615,740

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Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances - Cash Basis Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

		General Fund	Ir	Capital mprovement Fund	Other Governmental Funds		mental Government	
Receipts	ф	14,677,187	ф		¢		ď	14 677 197
Municipal Income Taxes	\$	14,0//,18/	\$	-	\$	710.020	\$	14,677,187 710,039
Payments in Lieu of Taxes		-		-		710,039		*
Charges for Services		238,430		-		178,968		417,398
Fines, Licenses and Permits		263,145		-		14,821		277,966
Intergovernmental		135,427		-		504,439		639,866
Interest		318,911				25,794		344,705
Total Receipts		15,633,100				1,434,061		17,067,161
Disbursements								
Current:								
General Government		2,417,545		-		172,608		2,590,153
Security of Persons and Property		6,058,477		-		3,289		6,061,766
Public Health Services		12,739		-		-		12,739
Leisure Time Activities		1,460,408		-		327,341		1,787,749
Community Environment		380,236		-		-		380,236
Basic Utility Services		250,449		-		-		250,449
Transportation		-		-		1,038,376		1,038,376
Capital Outlay		970,908		1,201,294		429,008		2,601,210
Debt Service:								
Interest and Fiscal Charges		-				276,900		276,900
Total Disbursements		11,550,762		1,201,294		2,247,522		14,999,578
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		4,082,338		(1,201,294)		(813,461)		2,067,583
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Sale of Capital Assets		27,496		-		-		27,496
Transfers In		-		925,000		1,156,000		2,081,000
Transfers Out		(2,081,000)		-		-		(2,081,000)
Advance In		85,000		-		-		85,000
Advance Out		-		-		(85,000)		(85,000)
Other Financing Sources		37,729						37,729
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(1,930,775)		925,000		1,071,000		65,225
Net Change in Fund Balances		2,151,563		(276,294)		257,539		2,132,808
Fund Balances Beginning of Year		14,108,760	_	514,620		1,859,552		16,482,932
Fund Balances End of Year	\$	16,260,323	\$	238,326	\$	2,117,091	\$	18,615,740

Hamilton County, Ohio
Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis
General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Receipts		*		
Municipal Income Taxes	\$ 12,900,000	\$ 13,700,000	\$ 14,677,187	\$ 977,187
Charges for Services	218,000	218,000	238,430	20,430
Fines, Licenses and Permits	223,300	223,300	263,145	39,845
Intergovernmental	148,000	148,000	135,427	(12,573)
Interest	295,300	295,300	318,911	23,611
Total receipts	13,784,600	14,584,600	15,633,100	1,048,500
Disbursements				
Current:				
General Government	3,539,975	3,404,439	2,606,919	797,520
Security of Persons and Property	6,347,747	6,353,247	6,099,747	253,500
Public Health Services	13,000	12,836	12,739	97
Leisure Time Activities	1,645,264	1,645,264	1,480,569	164,695
Community Environment	371,315	446,315	380,287	66,028
Basic Utility Services	342,323	342,323	302,084	40,239
Capital Outlay	992,977	1,071,302	1,008,502	62,800
Total Disbursements	13,252,601	13,275,726	11,890,847	1,384,879
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	531,999	1,308,874	3,742,253	2,433,379
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Sale of Capital Assets	1,000	1,000	27,496	26,496
Transfers Out	(2,055,000)	(2,081,000)	(2,081,000)	-
Advances In	85,000	85,000	85,000	-
Other Financing Sources	20,000	20,000	37,729	17,729
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,949,000)	(1,975,000)	(1,930,775)	44,225
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,417,001)	(666,126)	1,811,478	2,477,604
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	13,460,159	13,460,159	13,460,159	-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	648,601	648,601	648,601	
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 12,691,759	\$ 13,442,634	\$ 15,920,238	\$ 2,477,604

Hamilton County, Ohio Statement of Fiduciary Net Position- Cash Basis Agency Funds December 31, 2015

Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents in Segregated Accounts

\$\frac{11,204}{\text{Net Position}}\$

Held on Behalf of Others

\$\frac{11,204}{\text{Net Position}}\$

Hamilton County Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Village of Evendale, Hamilton County, Ohio (the Village) is a home rule municipal corporation established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Village operates under its own charter and is directed by a six-member council elected at large for four year terms. The Mayor is elected to a four-year term, serves as the President of Council and votes only to break a tie.

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to ensure the financial statements of the Village are not misleading.

Primary Government

The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the Village. The primary government of the Village of Evendale provides the following services to its citizens: general government services, police, fire and paramedic services, parks and recreation operations, building inspection and the maintenance of Village roads and bridges. Council has direct responsibility for these services.

Public Entity Risk Pool

The Village participates in a public entity risk pool. Note 7 to the financial statements provides additional information for this entity.

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

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

As discussed further in the "Basis of Accounting" section of this note, 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). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the Village's accounting policies.

Basis of Presentation

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

Government-Wide Financial Statements The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Village as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the Village that are governmental in nature and those that are considered business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. The Village does not have business-type activities.

Hamilton County Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

The statement of net position presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the Village at year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each program or function of the Village's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the Village is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and receipts of interest earned on grants required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental program is self-financing on a cash basis or draws from the general receipts of the Village.

Fund Financial Statements During the year, the Village segregates transactions related to certain Village functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Village at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental 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 type.

Fund Accounting

The Village uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Village are presented in two categories: governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Village are financed. The following are the Village's major governmental funds:

General The General Fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported 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.

Capital Improvements Fund The Capital Improvement Fund is used to account for major capital projects and equipment purchases.

The other governmental funds of the Village account for and report grants and other resources, whose use is restricted, committed or assigned to a particular purpose.

Fiduciary Funds Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the Village under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are not available to support the Village's own programs. The Village does not have any trust funds. Agency funds are purely custodial in nature and are used to account for assets held by the Village for individuals, other governments, or other organizations. The Village's agency fund accounts for the Mayor's Court.

Hamilton County Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Basis of Accounting

The Village's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Except for modifications having substantial support, 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. Any such modifications made by the Village are described in the appropriate section in this note.

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.

Budgetary Process

All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations ordinance, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount Village Council may appropriate.

The appropriations ordinance is Village Council's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by Village Council. The legal level of control has been established by Village Council at the fund, department, and object level for all funds.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Village Chief Fiscal and Accounting Officer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificated of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by Village Council.

The appropriations ordinance is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation ordinance for that fund that covered the entire year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by Village Council during the year.

Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Village is pooled and invested. Individual fund integrity is maintained through Village records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

Cash and cash equivalents that are held separately in accounts at a financial institution for the Village's Mayor's Court are reported as "Cash and Cash Equivalents in Segregated Accounts."

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments

Hamilton County Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During 2015, the Village invested in certificates of deposit, commercial paper, U.S. Government Agencies, STAR Ohio and a money market fund. Investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market price or current share price. The Village's money market fund investment is recorded at the amount reported by Fifth Third Bank on December 31, 2015.

STAR Ohio (the State Treasury Asset Reserve of 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 has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants." The Village also implemented GASB Statement No. 79 for 2015. The implementation of this GASB pronouncement had no effect on beginning net position/fund balance. The Village measures their investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

For 2015, there were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, notice must be given 24 hours in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$25 million. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$50 million, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$50 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

Interest earnings are allocated to Village funds according to State statutes, grant requirements, or debt related restrictions. Interest receipts credited to the General Fund and Other Governmental Funds during 2015 were \$318,911 and \$25,794, respectively.

Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either externally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. As of December 31, 2015, there were no restricted assets.

Inventory and Prepaid Items

The Village reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

Capital Assets

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

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Interfund Receivables/Payables

The Village reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the Village's cash basis of accounting.

Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The Village recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 8 and 9, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

Long-Term Obligations

The Village's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid. Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither an other financing source nor a capital outlay expenditure is reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid.

Net Position

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for State Highway Improvements, Court Computer, Alcohol Law Enforcement, Drug Law Enforcement, Gorman Heritage Farm, Fire Services, and Municipal Road Improvements.

The Village's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available.

Fund Balance

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

Nonspendable The nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of interfund loans.

Restricted Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors,

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contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Enabling legislation authorizes the Village to assess, levy, charge, or otherwise mandate payment of resources (from external resource providers) and includes a legally enforceable requirement that those resources be used only for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation. Legal enforceability means that the Village can be compelled by an external party-such as citizens, public interest groups, or the judiciary to use resources created by enabling legislation only for the purposes specified by the legislation.

Committed The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by formal action (ordinance or resolution, as both are equally binding) of Village Council. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless Village Council removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution, as both are equally binding) it employed to previously commit those amounts. In contrast to fund balance that is restricted by enabling legislation, the committed fund balance classification may be redeployed for other purposes with appropriate due process. Constraints imposed on the use of committed amounts are imposed by Village Council, separate from the authorization to raise the underlying revenue; therefore, compliance with these constraints is not considered to be legally enforceable. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Village for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not 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. State Statute authorizes the Village Auditor to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated.

Unassigned Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes amounts not contained 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.

Internal Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

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Note 3 – 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 Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund 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 is that outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as cash disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as restricted, committed or assigned fund balance (cash basis). The encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to \$340,085 for the General Fund.

Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

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

Active deposits are public deposits determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the Village treasury. Active 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 Council 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 held by the Village can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 1. United States Treasury bills, bonds notes, 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, Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- 3. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 4. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;

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- 5. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met; and
- 8. Written repurchase agreements in the securities described in (1) or (2) provided 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 the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days.

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.

At year end, the Village had \$1,365 in undeposited cash on hand which is included as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Village will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, \$4,237,142 of the Village's bank balance of \$4,498,347 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Village's name.

The Village has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Village or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured.

Hamilton County Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Investments

The fair value of these investments is not materially different than measurement value. As of December 31, 2015, the Village had the following investments:

Less		
nan 1		1-2
155,405	\$	949,668
367,198		2,272,722
-		1,975,812
92,332		-
-		638,961
977,334		3,384,138
199,156		-
3,161,123		-
,952,548	\$	9,221,301
	155,405 367,198 - 92,332 - 977,334	155,405 \$ 367,198 \$ - 92,332 - 977,334 199,156 3,161,123

Interest Rate Risk Interest rate risk arises because potential purchasers of debt securities will not agree to pay face value for those securities if interest rates subsequently increase. The Village's investment policy addresses interest rate risk by requiring the Village's investment portfolio be structured so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations and/or long-term debt payments, thereby avoiding the need to sell securities on the open market prior to maturity, and by investing operating funds primarily in short-term investments.

Credit Risk The government agency notes and bonds carry a rating ranging from AA+ to AAA by Moody's and by Standard and Poor's. STAR Ohio carries a rating of AAA by Standard and Poor's. The money market fund carries a rating of AAA by Moody's and by Standard and Poor's. The Toyota Motor Credit Corporation commercial paper holds a rating of A-1. The Village has no investment policy dealing with investment credit risk beyond the requirements in state statutes. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service and that the money market fund be rated in the highest category at the time of purchase by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service.

Custodial Credit Risk For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Village will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Notes, the Federal Home Loan Bank Notes and the Federal National Mortgage Association Notes are exposed to custodial credit risk as they are uninsured, unregistered, and held by the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the Village's name.

The Village has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirements in ORC 135.14(M)(2) which states, "Payment for investments shall be made only upon the delivery of securities representing such investments to the treasurer, investing authority, or qualified trustee. If the securities transferred are not represented by a certificate, payment shall be made only upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian by the treasurer, governing board, or qualified trustee."

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Concentration of Credit Risk The Village places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer. The following investments represent five percent or more of total investments as of December 31, 2015:

	Percentage of
Investment Issuer	Investments
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Notes	7.80%
Federal Home Loan Bank Notes	18.63%
Federal National Mortgage Association Notes	13.93%
U.S. Treasury Notes/Bonds	30.77%
STAR Ohio	22.30%

Note 5 – Taxes

Property Taxes

For the year ended December 31, 2015, Village Council elected not to collect property taxes that would have increased the total revenues of the Village by approximately \$641,000. The property tax millage available to the Village includes the following:

	Inside Mils
General Fund	3.00
Police Pension	.30
Fire Pension	.04

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the Village. Property tax revenue received during 2015 for real and public utility property taxes represents collections of 2014 taxes.

2015 real property taxes are levied after October 1, 2015, on the assessed value as of January 1, 2015, the lien date. Assessed values are established by State law at 35 percent of appraised market value. 2015 real property taxes are collected in and intended to finance 2016.

Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits later payment dates to be established.

Public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value; public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value. 2015 public utility property taxes which became a lien December 31, 2014, are levied after October 1, 2015, and are collected in 2016 with real property taxes.

The assessed values upon which 2015 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

	 Amount
Agriculture/Residential & Other Real Estate Property	\$ 189,470,000
Public Utility Personal Property	 9,050,000
Total	\$ 198,520,000

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The County Treasurer collects property taxes on behalf of all taxing districts in the county, including the Village. The County Auditor periodically remits to the Village its portion of the taxes collected.

Income Taxes

The Village levies a 1.2% income tax on substantially all income earned in the Village. In addition, Village residents employed in municipalities having an income tax less than 1.2% must pay the difference to the Village. Additional increases in the income tax rate require voter approval. Employers within the Village withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit at least quarterly and file an annual declaration.

Note 6 – Interfund Balances and Transfers

Transfers

During 2015 the following transfers were made:

Street Construction Maintenance & Repair Fund	\$	700,000
State Highway Improvement Fund		70,000
Gorman Heritage Farm Fund		386,000
Capital Improvement Fund	_	925,000
Total Transfers from General Fund	\$2	2,081,000

Transfers from the General Fund represent the allocation of unrestricted receipts collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

Interfund Balances

Interfund balances at December 31, 2015, consisted of the following individual fund receivables and payables:

	Receivable	Payable
Major Funds		
General Fund	\$ 4,175,000	\$ -
Other Governmental Funds		
Evendale Commons Fund		4,175,000
Total	\$ 4,175,000	\$ 4,175,000

Advances from the General Fund to the Evendale Commons Fund are for the principle portion due on Evendale Commons Tax Increment Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 that were purchased by the General Fund during 2013 for a total of \$4,325,000. During 2015, \$85,000 of the original advance was repaid.

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Note 7 – Risk Management

The Village is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

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

The Village belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) - formerly known as the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan, (the "Plan"), a non-assessable, unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to Ohio governments ("Members"). The Plan is legally separate from its member governments.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages to its members sold through fourteen appointed independent agents in the State of Ohio.

OPRM coverage programs are developed specific to each member's risk management needs and the related premiums for coverage are determined through the application of uniform underwriting criteria addressing the member's exposure to loss. Effective November 1, 2012 (and through October 2014) the plan increased its retention to 50% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Effective November 1, 2014, the OPRM retained 47% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 10% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member. OPRM had 772 and 783 members as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 respectively.

Plan members are responsible to notify the Plan of their intent to renew coverage by their renewal date. If a member chooses not to renew with the Plan, they have no other financial obligation to the Plan, but still need to promptly notify the Plan of any potential claims occurring during their membership period. The former member's covered claims, which occurred during their membership period, remain the responsibility of the Plan.

Settlement amounts did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and equity at December 31, 2015 and 2014 (the latest information available).

_	2015	2014
Assets	\$14,643,667	\$14,830,185
Liabilities	(9,112,030)	(8,942,504)
Members' Equity	\$5,531,637	\$5,887,681

You can read the complete audited financial statements for OPRM at the Plan's website, www.ohioplan.org.

Hamilton County Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - Village employees, other than full-time police and firefighters, participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional pension plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan and the combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with defined contribution features. While members (e.g. Village employees) may elect the member-directed plan and the combined plan, substantially all employee members are in OPERS' traditional plan; therefore, the following disclosure focuses on the traditional pension plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional plan. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position that may be obtained by visiting https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 800-222-7377.

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to final average salary (FAS) for the three member groups under the traditional plan as per the reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS CAFR referenced above for additional information, including requirements for reduced and unreduced benefits):

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Group A

Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

Formula:

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30

Public Safety

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

Law Enforcement

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

Public Safety and Law Enforcement

Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

Group B

20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

Formula:

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30

Public Safety

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

Law Enforcement

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

Public Safety and Law Enforcement

Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

Group C

Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit

Formula:

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35

Public Safety

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 52 with 25 years of service credit or Age 56 with 15 years of service credit

Law Enforcement

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 56 with 15 years of service credit

Public Safety and Law Enforcement

Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

Final average Salary (FAS) represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over a member's career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earnings over a member's career.

Members who retire before meeting the age and years of service credit requirement for unreduced benefits receive a percentage reduction in the benefit amount.

When a benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) is provided. This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. For those retiring prior to January 7, 2013, the COLA will continue to be a 3 percent simple annual COLA. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3 percent.

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Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions as follows:

	State and Local		Public Safety		Law Enforcement	
2015 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates						,
Employer	14.0	%	18.1	%	18.1	%
Employee	10.0	%	*		**	
2015 Actual Contribution Rates						
Employer:						
Pension	12.0	%	16.1	%	16.1	%
Post-employment Health Care Benefits	2.0		2.0		2.0	
Total Employer	14.0	%_	18.1	%	18.1	%
Employee	10.0	%	12.0	%	13.0	%

- * This rate is determined by OPERS' Board and has no maximum rate established by ORC.
- ** This rate is also determined by OPERS' Board, but is limited by ORC to not more than 2 percent greater than the Public Safety rate.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Village's contractually required contribution was \$237,229 for year 2015.

Plan Description - Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund (OPF)

Plan Description – Village full-time police and firefighters participate in Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OPF), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by OPF. OPF provides retirement and disability pension benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by the Ohio State Legislature and are codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPF issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information and detailed information about OPF fiduciary net position. The report that may be obtained by visiting the OPF website at www.op-f.org or by writing to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

Upon attaining a qualifying age with sufficient years of service, a member of OPF may retire and receive a lifetime monthly pension. OPF offers four types of service retirement: normal, service commuted, age/service commuted and actuarially reduced. Each type has different eligibility guidelines and is calculated using the member's average annual salary. The following discussion of the pension formula relates to normal service retirement.

For members hired after July 1, 2013, the minimum retirement age is 52 for normal service retirement with at least 25 years of service credit. For members hired on or before after July 1, 2013, the minimum retirement age is 48 for normal service retirement with at least 25 years of service credit.

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The annual pension benefit for normal service retirement is equal to a percentage of the allowable average annual salary. The percentage equals 2.5 percent for each of the first 20 years of service credit, 2.0 percent for each of the next five years of service credit and 1.5 percent for each year of service credit in excess of 25 years. The maximum pension of 72 percent of the allowable average annual salary is paid after 33 years of service credit.

Under normal service retirement, retired members who are at least 55 years old and have been receiving OPF benefits for at least one year may be eligible for a cost-of-living allowance adjustment. The age 55 provision for receiving a COLA does not apply to those who are receiving a permanent and total disability benefit and statutory survivors.

Members retiring under normal service retirement, with less than 15 years of service credit on July 1, 2013, will receive a COLA equal to either three percent or the percent increase, if any, in the consumer price index (CPI) over the 12-month period ending on September 30 of the immediately preceding year, whichever is less. The COLA amount for members with at least 15 years of service credit as of July 1, 2013 is equal to three percent of their base pension or disability benefit.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions as follows:

	Police	Firefighters
2015 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates		
Employer	19.50 %	24.00 %
Employee:		
January 1, 2015 through July 1, 2015	11.50 %	11.50 %
July 2, 2015 through December 31, 2015	12.25 %	12.25 %
2015 Actual Contribution Rates		
Employer:		
Pension	19.00 %	23.50 %
Post-employment Health Care Benefits	0.50	0.50
Total Employer	19.50 %	24.00 %
Employee:		
January 1, 2015 through July 1, 2015	11.50 %	11.50 %
July 2, 2015 through December 31, 2015	12.25 %	12.25 %

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Village's contractually required contribution to OPF was \$810,146 for 2015.

Note 9 – Post Employment Benefits

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans: the traditional pension plan, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan; the member-directed plan, a defined contribution plan; and the combined plan, a cost-sharing,

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multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and defined contribution plan.

OPERS maintained two cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment health care trusts, which funded multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients of both the traditional pension and the combined plans. Members of the member-directed plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits, including OPERS sponsored health care coverage.

In order to qualify for postemployment health care coverage, age and service retirees under the traditional pension and combined plans must have twenty or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by OPERS meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement 45. See OPERS' CAFR referenced below for additional information.

The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require OPERS to provide health care to its eligible benefit recipients. Authority to establish and amend health care coverage is provided to the Board in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Disclosures for the health care plan are presented separately in the OPERS financial report. Interested parties may obtain a copy by visiting https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml, by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling (614) 222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund postemployment health care through their contributions to OPERS. A portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside to fund OPERS health care plans.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2015, state and local employers contributed at a rate of 14.0 percent of earnable salary and public safety and law enforcement employers contributed at 18.1 percent. These are the maximum employer contribution rates permitted by the Ohio Revised Code. Active member contributions do not fund health care.

OPERS maintains three health care trusts. The two cost-sharing, multiple employer trusts, the 401(h) Health Care Trust and the 115 Health Care Trust, work together to provide health care funding to eligible retirees of the Traditional Pension and Combined plans. The third trust is a Voluntary Employee's Beneficiary Association (VEBA) that provides funding for a Retiree Medical Account for Member-Directed Plan members. Each year, the OPERS Board of Trustees determines the portion of the employer contributions rate that will be set aside to fund health care plans. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan was 2.0 percent during calendar year 2015. As recommended by OPERS' actuary, the portion of employer contributions allocated to health care beginning January 1, 2016 remained at 2.0 percent for both plans. The Board is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree or their surviving beneficiaries to pay a portion of the health care provided. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. The employer contribution as a percentage of covered payroll deposited to the VEBA for participants in the Member-Directed Plan for 2015 was 4.5 percent.

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Substantially all of the Village's contribution allocated to fund postemployment health care benefits relates to the cost-sharing, multiple employer trusts. The corresponding contribution for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013 was \$39,538, \$38,680 and \$18,121, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for 2015, 2014 and 2013.

Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund

Plan Description - The Village contributes to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OPF) sponsored healthcare program, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined post-employment healthcare plan administered by OPF. OPF provides health care benefits including coverage for medical, prescription drug, dental, vision, Medicare Part B Premium, and long-term care to retirees, qualifying benefit recipients and their eligible dependents.

OPF provides access to postretirement health care coverage for any person who receives or is eligible to receive a monthly service, disability, or statutory survivor benefit, or is a spouse or eligible dependent child of such person. The health care coverage provided by OPF meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 45.

The Ohio Revised Code allows, but does not mandate, OPF to provide OPEB benefits. Authority for the OPF Board of Trustees to provide health care coverage to eligible participants and to establish and amend benefits is codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code.

OPF issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information for the plan. The report may be obtained by visiting the OPF website at www.op-f.org or by writing to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code provides for contribution requirements of the participating employers and of plan members to the OPF defined benefit pension plan. Participating employers are required to contribute to the pension plan at rates expressed as percentages of the payroll of active pension plan members, currently 19.5 percent and 24 percent of covered payroll for police and fire employer units. Active members do not make contributions to the OPEB Plan.

OPF maintains funds for health care in two separate accounts. One for health care benefits under an IRS Code Section 115 trust and one for Medicare Part B reimbursements administered as an Internal Revenue Code 401(h) account, both of which are within the defined benefit pension plan, under the authority granted by the Ohio Revised Code to the OPF Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees is authorized to allocate a portion of the total employer contributions made into the pension plan to the Section 115 trust and the Section 401(h) account as the employer contribution for retiree health care benefits. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care was 0.5 percent of covered payroll from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The amount of employer contributions allocated to the health care plan each year is subject to the Trustees' primary responsibility to ensure that pension benefits are adequately funded and is limited by the provisions of Sections 115 and 401(h).

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The OPF Board of Trustees is also authorized to establish requirements for contributions to the health care plan by retirees and their eligible dependents or their surviving beneficiaries. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected.

The Village's contributions to OPF which were allocated to fund post-employment health care benefits for police and firefighters for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$19,062, \$18,725 and \$182,384, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for 2015, 2014 and 2013

Note 10 - Manuscript Debt

During 2013, Village Council approved the purchase by the General Fund the \$4,305,000 Evendale Commons Tax Increment Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 issued by the Evendale Commons Fund. The interfund purchase of the bonds have been reported using the advance method. Proceeds from the Bonds were used to refund the Evendale Commons Tax Increment Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2009 that provided funding for constructing and acquiring improvements within the Evendale Commons TIF District. The Series 2013 bonds carry an interest rate of 6.5 percent and mature in varying amounts through 2037.

The future principal and interest requirements to retire the manuscript debt due from the Evendale Commons Fund to the General Fund are as follows:

Years Ending December 31,	Principal Interest		Total	
2016	\$ 90,000	\$ 271,375	\$ 361,375	
2017	95,000	265,525	360,525	
2018	100,000	259,350	359,350	
2019	110,000	252,850	362,850	
2020	115,000	245,700	360,700	
2021-2022	255,000	468,325	723,325	
2023-2027	800,000	1,010,750	1,810,750	
2028-2032	1,105,000	713,700	1,818,700	
2033-2037	1,505,000	305,825	1,810,825	
Total	\$ 4,175,000	\$ 3,793,400	\$ 7,968,400	

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Note 11 – Fund Balances

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the Village is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the government funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

		Capital	Other	
	General	Improvement	Governmental	
Fund Balances	Fund	Fund	Funds	Total
Restricted for	-			
Road Improvements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 791,413	\$ 791,413
Police Operations	-	-	76,941	76,941
Fire Services	-	-	260,835	260,835
Debt Service	-	-	917,216	917,216
Other Purposes		_	70,686	70,686
Total Restricted	-		2,117,091	2,117,091
Committed to				
Capital Improvements	_	103,461		103,461
Total Committed		103,461		103,461
Assigned to				
Capital Improvements	-	134,865	-	134,865
Encumbrances	340,085	_		340,085
Total Assigned	340,085	134,865		474,950
Unassigned (deficits):	15,920,238			15,920,238
Total Fund Balances	\$ 16,260,323	\$ 238,326	\$ 2,117,091	\$ 18,615,740

Note 12 – Contingent Liabilities

The Village is defendant in several lawsuits. Although management cannot presently determine the outcome of these suits, they believe the resolution of these matters will not materially adversely affect the Village's financial condition.

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the Village are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Grantors may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

Bastin & Company, LLC

Certified Public Accountants

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

Village of Evendale Hamilton County 10500 Reading Road Evendale, Ohio 45241

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 governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of Evendale, Hamilton County, (the Village) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 16, 2017, wherein we noted the Village uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles.

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.

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.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist.

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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

Bastin & Company, LLC

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.

Cincinnati, Ohio June 16, 2017



VILLAGE OF EVENDALE

HAMILTON COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED AUGUST 3, 2017