Financial Statements (Audited)

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016



Village Council Village of New Washington 119 E. Mansfield Street P.O. Box 217 New Washington, Ohio 44854

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of the Village of New Washington, Crawford County, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

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

Dave Yost Auditor of State

April 19, 2018



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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

Village of New Washington Crawford County 119 E. Mansfield Street P.O. Box 217 New Washington, Ohio 44854

To the Members of Council and Mayor:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type and related notes of the Village of New Washington, Crawford County, Ohio, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Village of New Washington'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 of New Washington's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

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

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

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

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

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

### Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Village of New Washington as of December 31, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

#### Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of the Village of New Washington, Crawford County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2016, for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 1.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 28, 2018, on our consideration of the Village of New Washington'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 of New Washington's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Julian & Grube, Inc. February 28, 2018

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# COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS) - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

|   | Governmental Fund Types |                    |                     |                               |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
|   | General                 | Special<br>Revenue | Capital<br>Projects | Total<br>(Memorandum<br>Only) |
| Cash receipts:                                      |                         |                    |                     |                               |
| Property and other taxes                            | \$ 31,958               | \$ 34,271          | \$ -                | \$ 66,229                     |
| Municipal income tax                                | 313,149                 | =                  | =                   | 313,149                       |
| Intergovernmental                                   | 46,499                  | 48,202             | =                   | 94,701                        |
| Special assessments                                 | -                       | 5,250              | -                   | 5,250                         |
| Charges for services                                | 17,280                  | 25,124             | -                   | 42,404                        |
| Fines, licenses and permits                         | 10,750                  | -                  | -                   | 10,750                        |
| Earnings on Investments                             | 1,083                   | 760                | 30                  | 1,873                         |
| Miscellaneous                                       | 2,482                   | <u> </u>           |                     | 2,482                         |
| Total cash receipts                                 | 423,201                 | 113,607            | 30                  | 536,838                       |
| Cash disbursements:                                 |                         |                    |                     |                               |
| Current:  |                         |                    |                     |                               |
| Security of persons and property                    | 183,575                 | 27,749             | -                   | 211,324                       |
| Public health services                              | 3,198                   | =                  | =                   | 3,198                         |
| Leisure time activities                             | 43,038                  | =                  | =                   | 43,038                        |
| Community environment                               | 456                     | -                  | -                   | 456                           |
| Transportation                                      | -                       | 109,646            | -                   | 109,646                       |
| General government                                  | 157,014                 | -                  | -                   | 157,014                       |
| Capital outlay                                      |                         |                    | 36,580              | 36,580                        |
| Total cash disbursements                            | 387,281                 | 137,395            | 36,580              | 561,256                       |
| Total cash receipts over/(under) cash disbursements | 35,920                  | (23,788)           | (36,550)            | (24,418)                      |
| Other financing receipts (disbursements):           |                         |                    |                     |                               |
| Operating transfers in                              | -                       | 40,000             | -                   | 40,000                        |
| Operating transfers out                             | (40,000)                | -                  | -                   | (40,000)                      |
| Total other financing receipts (disbursements)      | (40,000)                | 40,000             |                     |                               |
| Net change in fund cash balances                    | (4,080)                 | 16,212             | (36,550)            | (24,418)                      |
| Fund cash balances, January 1, 2016                 | 241,798                 | 388,021            | 64,133              | 693,952                       |
| Fund cash balances, December 31, 2016               |                         |                    |                     |                               |
| Nonspendable  | -                       | -                  | -                   | -                             |
| Restricted  | -                       | 404,233            | 27,583              | 431,816                       |
| Committed   | -                       | -                  | -                   | -                             |
| Assigned  | -                       | -                  | -                   | -                             |
| Unassigned  | 237,718                 |                    |                     | 237,718                       |
| Fund cash balances, December 31, 2016               | \$ 237,718              | \$ 404,233         | \$ 27,583           | \$ 669,534                    |

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS) - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

|  | Proprietary<br>Fund Type |
|--|--------------------------|
|  |                          |
|  | Enterprise               |
| Operating cash receipts:                         |                          |
| Charges for services                             | \$ 317,863               |
| Total operating cash receipts                    | 317,863                  |
| Operating cash disbursements:                    |                          |
| Personal services                                | 15,870                   |
| Fringe benefits                                  | 2,452                    |
| Contractual services                             | 63,829                   |
| Supplies and materials                           | 8,209                    |
| Total operating cash disbursements               | 90,360                   |
| Operating income/(loss)                          | 227,503                  |
| Nonoperating cash receipts/(disbursements):      |                          |
| Earnings on Investments                          | 690                      |
| Debt service:                                    |                          |
| Principal  | (47,700)                 |
| Interest   | (108,916)                |
| Total nonoperating cash receipts/(disbursements) | (155,926)                |
| Net income/(loss)                                | 71,577                   |
| Fund cash balances, January 1, 2016              | 603,354                  |
| Fund cash balances, December 31, 2016            | \$ 674,931               |

THE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

The Village of New Washington, Crawford County, Ohio, (the Village) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio.

The Village is directed by a publicly-elected Mayor, Clerk, and six-member Council. The Village provides the following services: security of persons and property, public health services, leisure time activities, community environment, basic utility services, road repair and maintenance, and general governmental services. The Village contracts with Northern Ohio Rural Water to receive basic utility services and Cranberry Township to receive fire protection services and emergency medical services.

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

#### B. Basis of Accounting

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

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D).

#### C. Cash and Investments

The Village maintains its cash deposits in an interest-bearing checking account. The Village's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not report disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. The Village reports gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively. The Village values certificates of deposit at cost.

### D. Fund Accounting

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

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required by law or contract to be restricted.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

*Fire Fund* - This fund receives property tax revenue money used to provide firefighting assistance to the Village citizens.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax, motor vehicle tax money and municipal income taxes for constructing, maintaining and repairing Village Streets.

*Fire/Ambulance Fund* - This fund receives levy money to provide first responder and fire services to the Village citizens.

Ambulance Fund - This fund was initially funded with a levy which has not been renewed. The fund is used to purchase and/or maintain the Village's ambulance and to purchase supplies for the ambulance.

<u>Capital Improvement Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for resources restricted for capital improvements. The proceeds in this fund originated from the sale of the Village's water system to Northern Ohio Rural Water.

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

Sewer Fund - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover the cost of providing this utility.

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

Agency funds are purely custodial in nature and are used to hold resources for individuals, organizations or other governments. The Village disburses these funds as directed by the individual, organization or other government. The Village's agency fund retains insurance payments on derelict buildings within the village until the property has been remedied. No agency fund activity occurred during 2016.

#### E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain agency funds) be budgeted annually.

<u>Appropriations -</u> Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function, or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

<u>Estimated Resources</u> - Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources and amendments.

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

A summary of 2016 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

#### F. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

#### G. Fund Balance

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

Non-spendable - The Village classifies assets as non-spendable when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

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

<u>Committed</u> - Council can commit amounts vial formal action (resolution). The Village must adhere to these commitments unless the Commissioners amend the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

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

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

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

#### H. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation leave. Also, one quarter of up to 1000 hours of sick time can also be paid out upon retirement from the Village. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the Village's basis of accounting.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

#### NOTE 2 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Village maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31, 2016 was as follows:

|                         | 2016         |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Demand deposits         | \$554,468    |
| Certificates of deposit | 789,997      |
| Total deposits          | \$ 1,344,465 |

Demand Deposits - The Village's deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or (2) collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Village, or (3) collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

#### **NOTE 3 - BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2016 was as follows:

2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

|                  | Budgeted  | Actual    |           |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Fund Type        | Receipts  | Receipts  | Variance  |
| General          | \$350,847 | \$423,200 | \$72,353  |
| Special Revenue  | 143,931   | 153,606   | 9,675     |
| Capital Projects | 102       | 30        | (72)      |
| Proprietary      | 263,681   | 318,552   | 54,871    |
| Total            | \$758,561 | \$895,388 | \$136,827 |

2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

|                  | Appropriation | Budgetary    |             |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| Fund Type        | Authority     | Expenditures | Variance    |
| General          | \$592,645     | \$427,281    | \$165,364   |
| Special Revenue  | 531,952       | 137,395      | 394,557     |
| Capital Projects | 64,235        | 36,580       | 27,655      |
| Proprietary      | 706,882       | 246,975      | 459,907     |
| Total            | \$1,895,714   | \$848,231    | \$1,047,483 |

#### **NOTE 4 - PROPERTY TAX**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1, proceeding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the Village Council. The State Council of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payments, the first half is due February 10. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

#### **NOTE 5 - LOCAL INCOME TAX**

The Village levies a municipal income tax of 1.5 percent on substantially all earned income arising from employment, residency, or business activities within the Village as well as certain income of residents earned outside of the Village.

Employers within the Village withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit the tax to the Village either monthly or quarterly, as required. Corporations and other individual taxpayers pay estimated taxes quarterly and file a declaration annually.

#### NOTE 6 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

#### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Village's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10%, of their gross salaries and the Village contributed an amount equaling 14%, of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2016.

#### Ohio Police and Fire Retirement System

The Village's certified Fire Fighters and full-time Police Officers belong to the Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F). OP&F is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OP&F participants contributed 12.25% of their wages. The Village contributed to OP&F an amount equal to 19.5% of full-time police members' wages and 24% of full-time fire fighters' wages, respectively. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2016.

### Social Security

Village's employees contributed to social Security. This plan provides retirement benefits, including survivor and disability benefits to participants.

Employees contributed 6.2 percent of their gross salaries. The Village contributed an amount equal to 6.2 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2016.

#### **NOTE 7 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

Both OPERS and OP&F offer cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include 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. OPERS contributes 2 percent of the employer contribution to fund these benefits, and OP&F contributes 0.5 percent to fund these benefits.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

#### **NOTE 8 - DEBT**

Debt outstanding as of December 31, 2016 was as follows:

|               | Principal   | Interest Rate |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| USDA Series A | \$2,025,400 | 4.88%         |
| USDA Series B | \$165,400   | 4.75%         |
| Total         | \$2,190,800 |               |

During 2000, the Village entered into two loan agreements with the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, also known as USDA. These loan funds were used to pay off the interim financing for the completed sewer system project. These loans are Sanitary Sewer System Mortgage Revenue Bonds. The loan amounts were for \$2,487,000, with a fixed interest rate of 4.88%, and \$204,000, with a fixed interest rate of 4.75%. These loans require payments over 40 years through 2040. As of December 31, 2016, the Village had outstanding balances on the loans of \$2,025,400 and \$165,400, respectively. Total interest expense incurred was \$108,916 for 2016.

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

| Year Ending  | USDA     |           |          | USDA    |  |
|--------------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|--|
| December 31, | Series A |           | Series B |         |  |
| 2017         | \$       | 145,038   | \$       | 11,757  |  |
| 2018         |          | 144,981   |          | 11,671  |  |
| 2019         |          | 145,017   |          | 11,681  |  |
| 2020         |          | 145,035   |          | 11,682  |  |
| 2021         |          | 144,932   |          | 11,673  |  |
| 2022 - 2026  |          | 725,090   |          | 58,549  |  |
| 2027 - 2031  |          | 724,955   |          | 58,390  |  |
| 2032 - 2036  |          | 724,963   |          | 58,531  |  |
| 2037 - 2040  |          | 580,045   |          | 46,768  |  |
| Total        | \$       | 3,480,056 | \$       | 280,702 |  |

#### **NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

Buildings and contents Vehicles Inland marine Public officials' liability

The Village also provides health insurance to full-time employees through a private carrier.



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# Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

Village of New Washington Crawford County 119 E. Mansfield Street P.O. Box 217 New Washington, Ohio 44854

To the Members of Council and Mayor:

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 cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type of the Village of New Washington, Crawford County, Ohio, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016 and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 28, 2018, wherein we noted the Village of New Washington followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Village of New Washington'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 of New Washington'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 of New Washington'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 weaknesses may exist.

Members of Council and Mayor Village of New Washington

## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Village of New Washington'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 statements 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

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 of New Washington's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Village of New Washington's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Julian & Grube, Inc. February 28, 2018

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#### **VILLAGE OF NEW WASHINGTON**

#### **CRAWFORD 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 MAY 10, 2018