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**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY  
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Village of Montpelier  
Williams County  
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To the Village Council:

### ***Report on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of Montpelier, Williams County, Ohio (the Village), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, 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 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.

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village, as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in cash financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General and Parks and Recreation funds 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.

***Emphasis of Matter***

As discussed in Note 21 to the financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the Village. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 24, 2021, 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.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

June 24, 2021

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Net Position - Cash Basis  
December 31, 2020*

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Business-type Activities</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 6,806,409	\$ 8,013,023	\$ 14,819,432
 <b>Net Position</b>			
Restricted for:			
Park and Recreation Projects	\$ 853,683		\$ 853,683
Capital Projects	1,281,852		1,281,852
Debt Service		\$ 256,316	256,316
Other Purposes	395,536	141,613	537,149
Unrestricted	4,275,338	7,615,094	11,890,432
 <i>Total Net Position</i>	 <i>\$ 6,806,409</i>	 <i>\$ 8,013,023</i>	 <i>\$ 14,819,432</i>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Activities - Cash Basis  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020*

	<b>Program Cash Receipts</b>			
	<b>Cash Disbursements</b>	<b>Charges for Services</b>	<b>Operating Grants and Contributions</b>	
<b>Governmental activities:</b>				
General government:				
Security of Persons and Property	\$ 945,392	\$ 199,957	\$ 1,852	
Public Health Services	10,629			
Leisure Time Activities	231,103	1,481	95,205	
Basic Utility Services	121,274	110,185		
Transportation	489,894	4,212	443,762	\$ 1,127
General Government	335,455	70,360	406,479	
Capital Outlay	3,402,270			
Debt Service				
Principal	129,490			
Interest	17,418			
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>	<u>5,682,925</u>	<u>386,195</u>	<u>947,298</u>	<u>1,127</u>
<b>Business-type activities:</b>				
Water	1,068,889	1,242,258		
Light	7,232,274	7,378,097		
Sewer	861,749	922,189		
Other Enterprise Funds	129,270	120,986		
<i>Total Business Type Activities</i>	<u>9,292,182</u>	<u>9,663,530</u>		
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 14,975,107</u>	<u>\$ 10,049,725</u>	<u>\$ 947,298</u>	<u>\$ 1,127</u>

**General Cash Receipts and Transfers:**

Property Taxes Levied For:

    General Purposes

    Police Pension

Local Taxes

Other Taxes

Grants and Entitlements Not Restricted to Specific Programs

Loans Issued

Investment Receipts

Sale of Fixed Assets

Miscellaneous

Transfers

*Total General Cash Receipts and Transfers*

Change in Net Position

Net Position Beginning of Year

*Net Position End of Year*

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position**

<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>	<b>Total</b>
\$ (743,583)		\$ (743,583)
(10,629)		(10,629)
(134,417)		(134,417)
(11,089)		(11,089)
(40,793)		(40,793)
141,384		141,384
(3,402,270)		(3,402,270)
(129,490)		(129,490)
(17,418)		(17,418)
<u>(4,348,305)</u>		<u>(4,348,305)</u>
	\$ 173,369	173,369
	145,823	145,823
	60,440	60,440
	(8,284)	(8,284)
	<u>371,348</u>	<u>371,348</u>
<u>(4,348,305)</u>	<u>371,348</u>	<u>(3,976,957)</u>
126,567		126,567
13,092		13,092
2,014,304		2,014,304
253,819	15,226	269,045
166,055		166,055
2,212,788		2,212,788
197,195	366	197,561
9,756		9,756
167,985	199,390	367,375
24,335	(24,335)	
<u>5,185,896</u>	<u>190,647</u>	<u>5,376,543</u>
837,591	561,995	1,399,586
<u>5,968,818</u>	<u>7,451,028</u>	<u>13,419,846</u>
<u>\$ 6,806,409</u>	<u>\$ 8,013,023</u>	<u>\$ 14,819,432</u>

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Assets and Fund Balances - Cash Basis  
Governmental Funds  
December 31, 2020*

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Parks and Recreation Fund</u>	<u>Tax Capital Improvement Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Capital Improvement Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Assets:</b>						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 3,377,886	\$ 853,683	\$ 897,452	\$ 1,281,852	\$ 395,536	\$ 6,806,409
<b>Fund Balances:</b>						
Restricted		\$ 853,683		\$ 1,281,852	\$ 395,536	\$ 2,531,071
Committed	\$ 56,110		\$ 897,452			953,562
Assigned	319,242					319,242
Unassigned	3,002,534					3,002,534
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$ 3,377,886</u>	<u>\$ 853,683</u>	<u>\$ 897,452</u>	<u>\$ 1,281,852</u>	<u>\$ 395,536</u>	<u>\$ 6,806,409</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balances - Cash Basis  
Governmental Funds  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020*

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Parks and Recreation Fund</b>	<b>Tax Capital Improvement Fund</b>	<b>Sewer Capital Improvement Fund</b>	<b>Other Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Receipts</b>						
Municipal Income Taxes	\$ 818,330	\$ 377,676	\$ 440,622	\$ 377,676		\$ 2,014,304
Property and Other Local Taxes	370,692				\$ 22,786	393,478
Special Assessments			1,127			1,127
Charges for Services	278,300	881				279,181
Fines, Licenses and Permits	79,733				2,159	81,892
Intergovernmental	166,055	92,435			850,735	1,109,225
Interest	197,195				1,358	198,553
Miscellaneous	128,150	27,066	23,430	120	17,111	195,877
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>2,038,455</u>	<u>498,058</u>	<u>465,179</u>	<u>377,796</u>	<u>894,149</u>	<u>4,273,637</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>						
Current:						
Security of Persons and Property	590,099		12,451		342,842	945,392
Public Health Services	10,629					10,629
Leisure Time Activities		230,680			423	231,103
Basic Utility Services				95,748	25,526	121,274
Transportation	294,466		25,000		170,428	489,894
General Government	292,532		28,280		14,643	335,455
Capital Outlay	30,990	469,215	390,981	2,217,250	293,834	3,402,270
Debt Service:						
Principal Retirement			30,000	99,490		129,490
Interest and Fiscal Charges			4,100	13,318		17,418
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>1,218,716</u>	<u>699,895</u>	<u>490,812</u>	<u>2,425,806</u>	<u>847,696</u>	<u>5,682,925</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>819,739</u>	<u>(201,837)</u>	<u>(25,633)</u>	<u>(2,048,010)</u>	<u>46,453</u>	<u>(1,409,288)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>						
Sale of Notes		300,000				300,000
Loans Issued				1,912,788		1,912,788
Sale of Capital Assets			9,756			9,756
Transfers In	32,323				75,000	107,323
Transfers Out	(79,839)				(3,149)	(82,988)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(47,516)</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>9,756</u>	<u>1,912,788</u>	<u>71,851</u>	<u>2,246,879</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	<u>772,223</u>	<u>98,163</u>	<u>(15,877)</u>	<u>(135,222)</u>	<u>118,304</u>	<u>837,591</u>
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>2,605,663</u>	<u>755,520</u>	<u>913,329</u>	<u>1,417,074</u>	<u>277,232</u>	<u>5,968,818</u>
<i>Fund Balances End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 3,377,886</u>	<u>\$ 853,683</u>	<u>\$ 897,452</u>	<u>\$ 1,281,852</u>	<u>\$ 395,536</u>	<u>\$ 6,806,409</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements  
and Changes In Fund Balance - Budgetary Basis  
General Fund  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Receipts</b>				
Municipal Income Taxes	\$ 751,563	\$ 731,250	\$ 818,330	\$ 87,080
Property and Other Local Taxes	425,050	369,550	370,692	1,142
Charges for Services	261,000	261,000	278,300	17,300
Fines, Licenses and Permits	68,500	69,300	79,733	10,433
Intergovernmental	153,900	151,400	166,055	14,655
Interest	115,000	179,000	196,989	17,989
Miscellaneous	18,637	68,578	128,150	59,572
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>1,793,650</u>	<u>1,830,078</u>	<u>2,038,249</u>	<u>208,171</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Current:				
Security of Persons and Property	948,165	900,965	560,349	340,616
Public Health Services	16,010	16,210	10,629	5,581
Transportation	405,740	363,740	294,466	69,274
General Government	363,149	385,744	292,532	93,212
Capital Outlay	34,166	70,166	30,990	39,176
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>1,767,230</u>	<u>1,736,825</u>	<u>1,188,966</u>	<u>547,859</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements</i>	<u>26,420</u>	<u>93,253</u>	<u>849,283</u>	<u>756,030</u>
<b>Other Financing Uses</b>				
Transfers Out	(79,841)	(79,841)	(79,839)	2
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(53,421)	13,412	769,444	756,032
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	2,552,332	2,552,332	2,552,332	
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 2,498,911</u>	<u>\$ 2,565,744</u>	<u>\$ 3,321,776</u>	<u>\$ 756,032</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements  
and Changes In Fund Balance - Budgetary Basis  
Parks and Recreation Fund  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Receipts</b>				
Municipal Income Taxes	\$ 346,875	\$ 337,500	\$ 377,676	\$ 40,176
Charges for Services	41,475	746	881	135
Intergovernmental		325,000	92,435	(232,565)
Miscellaneous	1,084	18,494	27,066	8,572
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>389,434</u>	<u>681,740</u>	<u>498,058</u>	<u>(183,682)</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Current:				
Leisure Time Activities	435,695	319,155	230,680	88,475
Capital Outlay	387,700	712,700	469,215	243,485
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>823,395</u>	<u>1,031,855</u>	<u>699,895</u>	<u>331,960</u>
<i>Excess of Disbursements Over Receipts</i>	<u>(433,961)</u>	<u>(350,115)</u>	<u>(201,837)</u>	<u>(515,642)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>				
Notes Issued	300,000	300,000	300,000	
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(133,961)	(50,115)	98,163	148,278
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	755,520	755,520	755,520	
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 621,559</u>	<u>\$ 705,405</u>	<u>\$ 853,683</u>	<u>\$ 148,278</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Fund Net Position - Cash Basis  
Proprietary Funds  
December 31, 2020*

	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>				<b>Total Enterprise Funds</b>
	<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Light Fund</b>	<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Other Enterprise Funds</b>	
<b>Assets</b>					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,285,982	\$ 4,851,983	\$ 787,340	\$ 1,087,718	\$ 8,013,023
<b>Net Position</b>					
Restricted				\$ 397,929	\$ 397,929
Unrestricted	\$ 1,285,982	\$ 4,851,983	\$ 787,340	689,789	7,615,094
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<i>\$ 1,285,982</i>	<i>\$ 4,851,983</i>	<i>\$ 787,340</i>	<i>\$ 1,087,718</i>	<i>\$ 8,013,023</i>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements,  
and Changes In Fund Net Position - Cash Basis  
Proprietary Funds  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020*

	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>				
	<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Light Fund</b>	<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Other Enterprise Funds</b>	
<b>Operating Receipts</b>					
Charges for Services	\$ 1,242,258	\$ 7,378,097	\$ 922,189	\$ 120,986	\$ 9,663,530
Other Operating Receipts	48,117	110,228	37,422	3,623	199,390
<i>Total Operating Receipts</i>	<u>1,290,375</u>	<u>7,488,325</u>	<u>959,611</u>	<u>124,609</u>	<u>9,862,920</u>
<b>Operating Disbursements</b>					
Personal Services	430,625	713,366	372,874	32,560	1,549,425
Travel and Transportation	1,649	11,390	1,287		14,326
Contractual Services	33,346	5,958,305	92,089	30,117	6,113,857
Materials and Supplies	167,971	133,186	272,102		573,259
<i>Total Operating Disbursements</i>	<u>633,591</u>	<u>6,816,247</u>	<u>738,352</u>	<u>62,677</u>	<u>8,250,867</u>
<i>Operating Income</i>	<u>656,784</u>	<u>672,078</u>	<u>221,259</u>	<u>61,932</u>	<u>1,612,053</u>
<b>Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)</b>					
Debt Service	(388,185)	(182,928)	(84,889)	(66,593)	(722,595)
Capital Outlay	(47,113)	(217,873)	(38,508)		(303,494)
Other Financing Sources					
Property & Other Local Taxes		15,226			15,226
Interest				366	366
Other Financing Uses		(15,226)			(15,226)
<i>Total Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<u>(435,298)</u>	<u>(400,801)</u>	<u>(123,397)</u>	<u>(66,227)</u>	<u>(1,025,723)</u>
<i>Income (Loss) before Transfers</i>	221,486	271,277	97,862	(4,295)	586,330
Transfers Out	(4,461)	(8,429)	(10,134)	(1,311)	(24,335)
<i>Change in Net Position</i>	217,025	262,848	87,728	(5,606)	561,995
Net Position Beginning of Year	1,068,957	4,589,135	699,612	1,093,324	7,451,028
<i>Net Position End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 1,285,982</u>	<u>\$ 4,851,983</u>	<u>\$ 787,340</u>	<u>\$ 1,087,718</u>	<u>\$ 8,013,023</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Cash Basis  
Custodial Fund  
December 31, 2020*

	<b>Custodial Funds</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 2,301</u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Restricted for Utility Purposes	<u>\$ 2,301</u>
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u><u>\$ 2,301</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

*Statement of Changes In Fiduciary Net Position - Cash Basis  
Custodial Funds  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020*

	<b>Fiduciary Type Activities</b>
	<b>Custodial Funds</b>
<b>Additions</b>	
Amounts Held for Income Tax Payers	\$ 13,380
Amounts Held for Utility Customers	1,275
<i>Total Additions</i>	14,655
<b>Deductions</b>	
Distributions to Central Collection Agency	13,380
<i>Change in Net Position</i>	1,275
Net Position Beginning of Year	1,026
<i>Net Position End of Year</i>	\$ 2,301

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**1. REPORTING ENTITY**

The Village of Montpelier, Williams County, Ohio (the Village), is a body politic and corporate 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 six-member Council elected at large for four year terms. The Mayor is elected to a four-year term and has no vote.

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

**A. Primary Government**

The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Village. The Village provides general government services, refuse, electric, water and sewer utilities, maintenance of Village streets and bridges, park operations, fire protection, and police services.

**B. Component Units**

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Village is financially accountable. The Village is financially accountable for an organization if the Village appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Village is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Village is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Village is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide support to, the organization; or the Village is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations for which the Village authorizes the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes or determines the budget if there is also the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the Village. Component units also include legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the Village, are accessible to the Village and are significant in amount to the Village. The Village has no component units.

**C. Joint Ventures and Public Risk Pools**

The Village participates in four joint venture organizations and a public entity risk pool. Notes 8, 12, 13, 14, and 15 to the financial statements provide additional information for these entities.

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

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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.

**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER  
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020  
(Continued)**

**A. 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 non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services.

The statement of net position presents the cash balance of the governmental and business-type 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 and business-type 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 or business-type activity 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 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 and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

Proprietary fund statements distinguish operating transactions from non-operating transactions. Operating receipts generally result from exchange transactions such as charges for services directly relating to the funds' principal services. Operating disbursements include costs of sales and services and administrative costs. The fund statements report all other receipts and disbursements as non-operating.

**B. 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 three categories: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

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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 Fund – 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.

Park and Recreation Fund – This fund receives a portion of the 1.6 percent Village income tax. This fund is to be used for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of the Village Parks.

Tax Capital Improvement Fund – This fund receives a portion of the 1.6 percent Village income tax. This fund is to be used for capital improvements within the Village.

Sewer Capital Improvement Fund – This fund receives a portion of the 1.6 percent Village income tax. This fund is to be used to improve the sewer system within the Village.

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

Proprietary Funds

The Village classifies funds financed primarily from user charges for goods or services as proprietary. Proprietary funds are classified as enterprise funds.

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise funds may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services. The following are the Village's major Enterprise funds:

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

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

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

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 custodial 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. Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in a trust fund. The Village's custodial funds account for overpayments of utility billings by individuals and income tax amounts collected at the Village and forwarded to its processor of the Municipal Income Tax System.

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**C. Basis of Accounting**

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

**D. Budgetary Process**

All funds, except custodial 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 level with personal services and transfers separately appropriated in 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 Clerk. 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 certificate 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.

**E. 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".

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

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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 2020, the Village invested in negotiable certificates of deposit and federal agency securities. Investments are reported at cost.

Interest earnings are allocated to Village funds according to state statutes, grant requirements, or debt-related restrictions. During fiscal year 2020, interest receipts were credited to the General Fund for \$197,195 which includes \$150,311 assigned from other funds.

**F. 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.

**G. Capital Assets**

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

**H. 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. The Village made no advances during the year.

**I. 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.

**J. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans**

The Village recognizes the disbursement for their employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 9 and 10, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for other postemployment benefits (OPEB).

**K. 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.

**L. 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.

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Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for road maintenance and improvements, police protection, and utility customer deposits.

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.

There are no amounts restricted by enabling legislation.

**M. 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, 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.

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**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 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.

**N. Internal Activity**

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

Internal allocations of overhead expenses from one function to another or within the same function are eliminated on the Statement of Activities. Payments for interfund services provided and used are not eliminated.

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 and after nonoperating receipts/disbursements in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

**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 – Budgetary Basis presented for the General and Parks and Recreation funds are prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis are funds included with the General fund as part of the GASB 54 requirements are not included in the budgetary statement.

Adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations at the end of the year on the budget basis to the cash are as follows:

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Net Change in Fund Balance	General Fund	Park and Recreation Fund
Cash Basis (As Reported)	\$ 772,223	\$ 98,163
Perspective Difference:		
Activity of Funds Reclassified for Cash Reporting Purposes	(2,779)	
Budgetary Basis	\$ 769,444	\$ 98,163

**4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

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

Active deposits are public monies 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.

Protection of the Village's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

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 obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, 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;

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4. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
5. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met;
6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
7. Certain bankers' acceptances (for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days) and commercial paper notes (for a period not to exceed one hundred seventy 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. Except as noted above, 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. Payments 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 receipts of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

At year end, the Village had \$1,950 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 in the event of bank failure, the Village will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. At year end, \$6,574 of the Village's bank balance of \$3,609,159 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 the Village and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured; or

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Participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

**Investments**

As of December 31, 2020, the Village had the following investments:

	Cost Value	Investment Maturities				
		< 12 months	13 to 24 months	25 to 36 months	37 to 48 months	49 to 60 months
Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB)	\$ 999,250					\$ 999,250
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Company (FHLMC)	1,295,855			\$ 295,005	\$ 1,000,850	
Negotiable Certificate of Deposit	9,066,473	\$ 1,788,455	\$ 2,825,728	2,470,213	1,237,223	744,854
	<u>\$ 11,361,578</u>	<u>\$ 1,788,455</u>	<u>\$ 2,825,728</u>	<u>\$ 2,765,218</u>	<u>\$ 2,238,073</u>	<u>\$ 1,744,104</u>

**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 rate rates subsequently increase. The Village's investment policy addresses interest rate risk by requiring that 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 that need to sell securities on the open market prior to maturity, and by investing operating funds primarily in short-term investments.

**Credit Risk** FNMA and FHLMC securities carry the highest ratings by Moody's and Standard and Poor's (Aaa/AAA AA+). The Village has no investment policy dealing with investment credit risk beyond the requirements in state statutes.

**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 FMNA and FHLMC 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's investment policy states that all security transactions entered into by the Village shall be conducted on a delivery-versus-payment basis. Securities will be held by a third party custodian designated by the Director of Finance and evidenced by safekeeping receipts.

**Concentration of Credit Risk** The Village places no limit on the amount it invests in any one issuer. The following investments represent five percent or more of total investments as of December 31, 2020:

Investment Issuer	Percentage of Investments
Negotiable Certificate of Deposits	79.49%
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Notes	11.38%
Federal Home Loan Bank	8.78%

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**5. PROPERTY TAXES**

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the Village. Property tax revenue received during 2020 for real and public utility property taxes represents collections of 2019 taxes.

2020 real property taxes are levied after October 1, 2020, on the assessed value as of January 1, 2020, the lien date. Assessed values are established by State law at 35 percent of appraised market value. 2020 real property taxes are collected in and intended to finance 2021.

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. 2020 public utility property taxes which became a lien December 31, 2019, are levied after October 1, 2020, and are collected in 2021 with real property taxes.

The full tax rate for all Village operations for the year ended December 31, 2020, was \$3.20 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The assessed values of real property and public utility tangible property upon which 2020 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Agriculture/Residential & Other Real Estate Property	\$ 49,396,410	99%
Public Utility Personal Property	361,760	1%
Total	<b>\$ 49,758,170</b>	<b>100%</b>
 Tax rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation	\$ 3.20	

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.

**6. INCOME TAXES**

The Village levies a 1.6 percent income tax on substantially all income earned in the Village. In addition, Village residents employed in municipalities having an income tax less than 1.6 percent 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.

The Village's income tax ordinance requires .55 percent of the income tax receipts to be used to finance capital improvements. As a result, this portion of the receipts is allocated to the Tax and Sewer Capital Improvement funds each year. The remaining income tax receipts are to be used to pay the cost of administering the tax, general fund operations, capital improvements, debt service, and other governmental functions when needed, as determined by Council. In 2020, the receipts were allocated to the general fund, park and recreation fund, tax capital improvement fund, and sewer capital improvement fund.

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**7. INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

During 2020, the following transfers were made:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
Governmental Activities:		
General	\$32,323	\$79,839
Other Governmental Funds:		
Police Pension Fund	75,000	
Street Fund		3,149
Business Type Activities		
Water		4,461
Light		8,429
Sewer		10,134
Storm Sewer		1,311
	\$107,323	\$107,323

The Village transferred cash from the General Fund to Police Pension Fund to fund future retirement payouts. The Village also transferred cash from multiple funds to the Compensated Absence Fund to stabilize the other funds from future payments of accumulated benefits. This fund is included in the General Fund for reporting purposes.

**8. RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Village belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) (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, 2017, the OPRM retained 47% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 30% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. The OPRM is also participated in a property primary excess of loss treaty. This treaty reimbursed the OPRM 30% for losses between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000. The reimbursement is based on the amount of loss between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000. Effective November 1, 2018, the OPRM the property retention remained unchanged, however, the Plan assumed 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member. Effective November 1, 2019, the OPRM's property retention increased from 30% to 33%, while the casualty treaty remains unchanged and still assumes 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. OPRM had 776 members as of December 31, 2019.

The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and equity at December 31, 2019. (the latest information available)

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Assets	\$ 15,920,504
Liabilities	<u>( 11,329,011)</u>
Members' Equity	<u>\$ 4,591,493</u>

You can read the complete audited financial statements for OPRM at the Plan's website, [www.ohioplan.org](http://www.ohioplan.org).

**9. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

**A. 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 combination cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit/defined contribution pension plan. Participating employers are divided into state, local, law enforcement and public safety divisions. While members in the state and local divisions may participate in all three plans, law enforcement and public safety divisions exist only within the Traditional Plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the Traditional Pension 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 Pension 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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<b>Group A</b> Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013	<b>Group B</b> 20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013	<b>Group C</b> Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013
<b>State and Local</b>	<b>State and Local</b>	<b>State and Local</b>
<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit
<b>Formula:</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	<b>Formula:</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	<b>Formula:</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35
<b>Public Safety</b>	<b>Public Safety</b>	<b>Public Safety</b>
<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 52 with 25 years of service credit or Age 56 with 15 years of service credit
<b>Law Enforcement</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 52 with 15 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 56 with 15 years of service credit
<b>Public Safety and Law Enforcement</b>	<b>Public Safety and Law Enforcement</b>	<b>Public Safety and Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Formula:</b> 2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25	<b>Formula:</b> 2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25	<b>Formula:</b> 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. The initial amount of a member's pension benefit is vested upon receipt of the initial benefit payment for calculation of an annual cost-of-living adjustment.

When a traditional plan benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, current law provides for an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA). This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. Members retiring under the combined plan receive a cost-of-living adjustment of the defined benefit portion of their pension benefit. For those retiring prior to January 7, 2013, current law provides for a 3 percent COLA. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, current law provides that the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3 percent.

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Defined contribution plan benefits are established in the plan documents, which may be amended by the Board. Member-directed plan and combined plan members who have met the retirement eligibility requirements may apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the combined plan consists of the member's contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the member's investment selections. Combined plan members wishing to receive benefits must meet the requirements for both the defined benefit and defined contribution plans. Member-directed participants must have attained the age of 55, have money on deposit in the defined contribution plan and have terminated public service to apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the member-directed plan consists of the members' contributions, vested employer contributions and investment gains or losses resulting from the members' investment selections. Employer contributions and associated investment earnings vest over a five-year period, at a rate of 20 percent each year. At retirement, members may select one of several distribution options for payment of the vested balance in their individual OPERS accounts. Options include the annuitization of their benefit (which includes joint and survivor options), partial lump-sum payments (subject to limitations), a rollover of the vested account balance to another financial institution, receipt of entire account balance, net of taxes withheld, or a combination of these options.

Beginning in 2022, the Combined Plan will be consolidated under the Traditional Pension Plan (defined benefit plan) and the Combined Plan option will no longer be available for new hires beginning in 2022.

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

	State and Local	Public Safety	Law Enforcement
<b>2020 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates</b>			
Employer	14.0 %	18.1 %	18.1 %
Employee ***	10.0 %	*	**
<b>2020 Actual Contribution Rates</b>			
Employer:			
Pension	14.0 %	18.1 %	18.1 %
Post-employment Health Care Benefits ****	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Employer	<u>14.0 %</u>	<u>18.1 %</u>	<u>18.1 %</u>
Employee	<u>10.0 %</u>	<u>12.0 %</u>	<u>13.0 %</u>

\* 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.

\*\*\* Member contributions within the combined plan are not used to fund the defined benefit retirement allowance.

\*\*\*\* This employer health care rate is for the traditional and combined plans. The employer contribution for the member-directed plan is 4 percent.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Village's contractually required contribution was \$216,790 for year 2020.

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**B. Plan Description – Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund (OP&F)**

Plan Description – Village full-time police and firefighters participate in Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by OP&F. OP&F 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. OP&F issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information and detailed information about OP&F fiduciary net position. The report that may be obtained by visiting the OP&F website at [www.op-f.org](http://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 OP&F may retire and receive a lifetime monthly pension. OP&F 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 July 1, 2013, the minimum retirement age is 48 for normal service retirement with at least 25 years of service credit.

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 (see OP&F CAFR referenced above for additional information, including requirements for Deferred Retirement Option Plan provisions and reduced and unreduced benefits).

Under normal service retirement, retired members who are at least 55 years old and have been receiving OP&F 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, surviving beneficiaries, and statutory survivors. Members participating in the DROP program have separate legal eligibility requirements related to COLA.

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 percentage increase, if any, in the consumer price index over the 12 month period ending on September 30th 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 3 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:

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	Police	Firefighters
<b>2020 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates</b>		
Employer	19.50 %	24.00 %
Employee	12.25 %	12.25 %
 <b>2020 Actual Contribution Rates</b>		
Employer:		
Pension	19.00 %	23.50 %
Post-employment Health Care Benefits	0.50	0.50
Total Employer	19.50 %	24.00 %
 Employee	 12.25 %	 12.25 %

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Village's contractually required contribution to OPF was \$76,303 for 2020.

**C. Social Security**

Several of the Village's employees contributed to Social Security. This plan provides retirement benefits, including survivor and disability benefits to participant.

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, 2020.

**10. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

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

OPERS maintains a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment health care trust, which funds multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement to qualifying benefit recipients of both the traditional pension and the combined plans. This trust is also used to fund health care for member-directed plan participants, in the form of a Retiree Medical Account (RMA). At retirement or separation, member-directed plan participants may be eligible for reimbursement of qualified medical expenses from their vested RMA balance.

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 with a minimum age of 60, or generally 30 years of qualifying service at any age. 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 75. See OPERS CAFR referenced below for additional information.

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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#CAFR>, 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. When funding is approved by OPERS Board of Trustees, 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 2020, 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.

Each year, the OPERS Board determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside to fund health care plans. For 2020, OPERS did not allocate any employer contribution to health care for members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan. The OPERS 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 into the RMA for participants in the member-directed plan for 2020 was 4.0 percent.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Village’s contractually required contribution was \$0 for 2020.

**B. Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund**

Plan Description – The Village contributes to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F) sponsored healthcare program, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined post-employment health care plan administered by a third-party provider. This program is not guaranteed and is subject to change at any time upon action of the Board of Trustees. On January 1, 2019, OP&F implemented a new model for health care. Under this new model, OP&F provides eligible retirees with a fixed stipend earmarked to pay for health care and Medicare Part B reimbursements.

A retiree is eligible for the OP&F health care stipend unless they have access to any other group coverage including employer and retirement coverage. The eligibility of spouses and dependent children could increase the stipend amount. If the spouse or dependents have access to any other group coverage including employer or retirement coverage, they are not eligible for stipend support from OP&F. Even if an OP&F member or their dependents are not eligible for a stipend, they can use the services of the third-party administrator to select and enroll in a plan. The stipend provided by OP&F meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75.

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The Ohio Revised Code allows, but does not mandate, OP&F to provide OPEB benefits. Authority for the OP&F 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.

OP&F 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 OP&F website at [www.op-f.org](http://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 OP&F 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, respectively. The Ohio Revised Code states that the employer contribution may not exceed 19.5 percent of covered payroll for police employer units and 24 percent of covered payroll for fire employer units. Active members do not make contributions to the OPEB Plan.

The Board of Trustees is authorized to allocate a portion of the total employer contributions for retiree health care benefits. For 2020, the portion of employer contributions allocated to health care was 0.5 percent of covered payroll. 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.

The OP&F 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 contractually required contribution to OP&F was \$2,006 for 2020.

**11. DEBT**

**NOTES PAYABLE**

The changes in the Village’s notes payable during 2020 were as follows:

	Outstanding 12/31/2019	Issued	Retired	Outstanding 12/31/2020
Governmental Activities:				
Recreational Facilities				
Improvement Note, Series 2020		\$300,000		\$300,000
Total Governmental Activities		\$300,000		\$300,000

The Recreational Facilities Improvement Note, Series 2020 was issued for constructing a splash pad at the Municipal Park. The notes have an interest rate of 1.83 percent and mature January 21, 2021.

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**LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

The changes in the Village's long-term debt during 2020 were as follows:

	Outstanding 12/31/19	Additions	Deletions	Outstanding 12/31/20	Due in One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Ohio Waterworks System Revenue Bonds	\$82,000		\$40,000	\$42,000	\$42,000
Ohio Water Development Authority Loans	1,473,379	\$1,912,788	99,490	3,286,677	215,578
Total Governmental Activities	<u>1,555,379</u>	<u>1,912,788</u>	<u>139,490</u>	<u>3,328,677</u>	<u>257,578</u>
Business-Type Activities:					
Ohio Public Works Commission Loan	37,479		2,883	34,596	5,766
Ohio Water Development Authority Loans	4,145,991		442,618	3,703,373	384,762
Total Business-Type Activities	<u>4,183,470</u>		<u>445,501</u>	<u>3,737,969</u>	<u>390,528</u>
Total Long-Term Obligations	<u>\$5,738,849</u>	<u>\$1,912,788</u>	<u>\$584,991</u>	<u>\$7,066,646</u>	<u>\$648,106</u>

The Ohio Waterworks System Revenue Bonds in the amount of \$750,000 were issued in 1982 to finance improvements to the Village's waterworks system. The bonds are repaid annually with five percent interest over 39 years with the final payment due in 2021. Property and revenue of the Village's waterworks utility have been pledged to retire the debt. Debt Payments were made from the Tax Capital Improvement fund and the Sewer fund.

As required by the mortgage revenue bond covenant, the Village has established and funded a reserve fund, included as an enterprise fund. The balance at December 31, 2020 was \$44,130.

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) Loan was entered into in 2005 to finance improvements to the Village's waterworks system. The interest free loan will be paid back over 20 years beginning in 2006 with the final payment due in 2026. Property and revenue of the Village's waterworks utility have been pledged to retire the debt.

There are the following Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loans:

Loan 3261 in the amount of \$1,628,662 was approved in 2000 to finance the improvement of the wastewater treatment plant. The loan will be paid back annually with interest of 6.41 percent over 20 years with revenues from user fees charged.

Loan 3959 in the amount of \$7,551,180 was approved in 2003 to fund the construction, maintenance, and operation of a water treatment plant. This project was completed in 2006. Loan principal and interest payments at rate of two percent are due semi-annually on January 1 and July 1 commencing in July 2006 for 25 years.

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Loan 5079 in the amount of \$3,547,398 was approved in 2009 to fund the construction of Phase 1 of the Village of Montpelier's Combined Sewer Overflow project. After the award of the loan, the Village received a \$2,008,500 grant from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds. The project was completed on July 14, 2010. Loan principal and interest payments at the rate of one percent are due semi-annually on January 1 and July 1 commencing in January 2011 for 20 years.

Loan 6802 in the amount of \$1,317,013 was approved in 2014 to fund the construction of Phase 4 of the Village of Montpelier's Combined Sewer Overflow project. At the completion of the project, the Village had drawn \$764,635 of this loan as of December 31, 2018. Interest rate on the loan is one percent. Grant funds paid off the Ohio Public Works Grant and reduced the WPCLF loan by \$111,792. The project was completed in 2017. Principal adjustments of \$4,857 were added to the balance in 2018. Loan principal and interest payments at the rate of one percent are due semi-annually on January 1 and July 1 commencing in January 2016 for 20 years.

Loan 8706 in the amount of \$2,301,817 was approved in 2019 to fund the construction of Phase VI of the Village of Montpelier's Combined Sewer Overflow Project. At the completion of the project, the Village had drawn \$2,029,548 of this loan as of December 31, 2020. Interest rate on the loan is zero percent. The project was completed in 2020. Loan principal payments are due semi-annually on January 1 and July 1 commencing in January 2021 for 20 years.

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

Year Ending December 31:	Ohio Waterworks System Bonds	OWDA Loans	OPWC Loans
2021	\$ 44,100	\$ 685,165	\$ 5,766
2022		613,201	5,766
2023		613,201	5,766
2024		613,201	5,766
2025		613,202	5,766
2026-2030		3,066,007	5,766
2031-2035		979,493	
2036-2041		303,185	
Total	<u>\$ 44,100</u>	<u>\$ 7,486,655</u>	<u>\$ 34,596</u>

**LEASES**

The Village leases vehicles and other equipment under noncancelable leases. The Village disbursed \$80,833 to pay lease costs for the year ended December 31, 2020. Future lease payments are as follows:

Year Ending December 31:	Amount
2021	\$ 80,833
2022	80,833
2023	80,833
2024	57,741
2025	57,741
2026-2030	230,964
Total	<u>\$ 588,945</u>

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**12. OMEGA JV2**

The Village of Montpelier is a Non-Financing Participant and an Owner Participant with an ownership percentage of 2.98% and shares participation with thirty-five other subdivisions within the State of Ohio in the Ohio Municipal Electric Generation Agency (OMEGA JV2). Owner Participants own undivided interests, as tenants in common, in the OMEGA JV2 Project in the amount of their respective Project Shares. Purchaser Participants agree to purchase the output associated with their respective Project shares, ownership of which is held in trust for such Purchaser Participants.

Pursuant to the OMEGA JV2 Agreement, the participants jointly undertook as either Financing Participants or Non-Financing Participants and as either Owner Participants or Purchaser Participants, the acquisition, construction, and equipping of OMEGA JV2, including such portions of OMEGA JV2 as have been acquired, constructed or equipped by AMP and to pay or incur the costs of the same in accordance with the JV2 Agreement.

OMEGA JV2 was created to provide additional sources of reliable, reasonably priced electric power and energy when prices are high or during times of generation shortages or transmission constraints, and to improve the reliability and economic status of the participants' respective municipal electric utility system. The Project consists of 138.65 MW of distributed generation of which 134.081MW is the participants' entitlement and 4.569MW are held in reserve. On dissolution of OMEGA JV2, the net assets will be shared by the participants on a percentage of ownership basis. OMEGA JV2 is managed by AMP, which acts as the joint venture's agent. During 2001, AMP issued \$50,260,000 of 20 year fixed rate bonds on behalf of the Financing Participants of OMEGA JV2. The net proceeds of the bond issue of \$45,904,712 were contributed to OMEGA JV2. On January 3, 2011, AMP redeemed all of the \$31,110,000 OMEGA JV2 Project Distributive Generation Bonds then outstanding by borrowing on AMP's revolving credit facility. As such, the remaining outstanding bond principal of the OMEGA JV2 indebtedness was reduced to zero, with the remaining principal balance now residing on the AMP credit facility.

On an audited basis, the Village's net investment to date in OMEGA JV2 was (\$950) at December 31, 2020. Complete financial statements for OMEGA JV2 may be obtained from AMP or from the State Auditor's website at [www.ohioauditor.gov](http://www.ohioauditor.gov).

The thirty-six participating subdivisions and their respective ownership shares at December 31, 2019 are:

Municipality	Percent Ownership	Kw Entitlement	Municipality	Percent Ownership	Kw Entitlement
Hamilton	23.87%	32,000	Grafton	0.79%	1,056
Bowling Green	14.32%	19,198	Brewster	0.75%	1,000
Niles	11.48%	15,400	Monroeville	0.57%	764
Cuyahoga Falls	7.46%	10,000	Milan	0.55%	737
Wadsworth	5.81%	7,784	Oak Harbor	0.55%	737
Painesville	5.22%	7,000	Elmore	0.27%	364
Dover	5.22%	7,000	Jackson Center	0.22%	300
Galion	4.29%	5,753	Napoleon	0.20%	264
Amherst	3.73%	5,000	Lodi	0.16%	218
St. Mary's	2.98%	4,000	Genoa	0.15%	199
Montpelier	2.98%	4,000	Pemberville	0.15%	197
Shelby	1.89%	2,536	Lucas	0.12%	161

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Versailles	1.24%	1,660	South Vienna	0.09%	123
Edgerton	1.09%	1,460	Bradner	0.09%	119
Yellow Springs	1.05%	1,408	Woodville	0.06%	81
Oberlin	0.91%	1,217	Haskins	0.05%	73
Pioneer	0.86%	1,158	Arcanum	0.03%	44
Seville	0.80%	1,066	Custar	0.00%	4
	95.20%	127,640		4.80%	6,441
			Grand Total	100.00%	134,081

**13. OMEGA JV4**

The Village is a participant, with three other subdivisions within the State of Ohio, in a joint venture to oversee construction and operation of a 69 kilowatt transmission line in Williams County, the Ohio Municipal Electric Generation Agency Joint Venture (JV4). JV4 is managed by AMP, who acts as the joint venture's agent. The participants are obligated, by agreement, to remit on a monthly basis those costs incurred from using electric generated by the joint venture. JV4 does not have any debt outstanding. In the event of a shortfall, the Joint Venture participants are billed for their respective shares of the estimated shortfall.

On an audited basis, the Village's net investment to date in OMEGA JV4 was \$355,645 at December 31, 2020. Complete financial statements for OMEGA JV4 may be obtained from AMP or from the State Auditor's website at [www.ohioauditor.gov](http://www.ohioauditor.gov).

**14. OMEGA JV5**

The Village of Montpelier is a Financing Participant with an ownership percentage of 2.02 %, and shares participation with forty-one other subdivisions within the State of Ohio in the Ohio Municipal Electric Generation Agency Joint Venture 5 (OMEGA JV5). Financing Participants own undivided interests, as tenants in common, without right of partition in the OMEGA JV5 Project.

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

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

Also pursuant to the Agreement, each participant has an obligation to pay its share of debt service on the Beneficial Interest Certificates (Certificates) from the revenues of its electric system, subject only to the prior payment of Operating & Maintenance Expenses (O&M) of each participant's System, and shall be on a parity with any outstanding and future senior electric system revenue bonds, notes or other indebtedness payable from any revenues of the System. On dissolution of OMEGA JV5, the net assets will be shared by the financing participants on a percentage of ownership basis. Under the terms of the Agreement each participant is to fix, charge and collect rates, fees and charges at least sufficient in order to maintain a debt coverage ratio equal to 110% of the sum of OMEGA JV5 debt service and any other outstanding senior lien electric system revenue obligations. As of December 31, 2020 Montpelier has met their debt coverage obligation.

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

OMEGA JV5 is managed by AMP, which acts as the joint venture's agent. During 1993 and 2001 AMP issued \$153,415,000 and \$13,899,981 respectively of 30 year fixed rate Beneficial Interest Certificates (Certificates) on behalf of the Financing Participants of OMEGA JV5. The 2001 Certificates accrete to a value of \$56,125,000 on February 15, 2030. The net proceeds of the bond issues were used to construct the OMEGA JV5 Project. On February 17, 2004 the 1993 Certificates were refunded by issuing 2004 Beneficial Interest Refunding Certificates in the amount of \$116,910,000, which resulted in a savings to the membership of \$34,951,833 from the periods 2005 through 2024. On February 15, 2014, all of the 2004 BIRCs were redeemed from funds held under the trust agreement securing the 2004 BIRCs and the proceeds of a promissory note issued to AMP by OMEGA JV5. This was accomplished with a draw on AMP's revolving credit facility. The resulting balance was \$65,891,509 at February 28, 2014. On January 29, 2016, OMEGA JV5 issued the 2016 Beneficial Interest Certificates ("2016 Certificates") in the amount of \$49,745,000 for the purpose of refunding the promissory note to AMP in full. The 2016 Certificates bear interest at a variable rate, mature on February 1, 2024 and are subject to redemption and mandatory tender at the option of the holder commencing February 15, 2021. As of December 31, 2020, \$13,515,000 aggregate principal amount of the 2016 Certificates was outstanding. The 2001 Certificates and 2016 Certificates are non-recourse to AMP.

The Village's net investment and its share of operating results of OMEGA JV5 are reported in the Village's electric fund (an enterprise fund). The Village's net investment to date in OMEGA JV5 was \$60,355 at December 31, 2020. Complete financial statements for OMEGA JV5 may be obtained from AMP or from the State Auditor's website at [www.ohioauditor.gov](http://www.ohioauditor.gov).

**15. OMEGA JV6**

The Village of Montpelier is a Financing Participant with an ownership percentage of 1.39%, and shares participation with nine other subdivisions within the State of Ohio in the Ohio Municipal Electric Generation Agency Joint Venture 6 (OMEGA JV6). Financing Participants, after consideration of the potential risks and benefits can choose to be Owner Participants or Purchaser Participants. Owner Participants own undivided interests, as tenants in common in the Project in the amount of its Project Share. Purchaser Participants purchase the Project Power associated with its Project Share.

Pursuant to the OMEGA Joint Venture JV6 Agreement (Agreement), the participants agree jointly to plan, acquire, construct, operate and maintain the Project, and hereby agree, to pay jointly for the electric power, energy and other services associated with the Project.

OMEGA JV6 was created to construct four (4) wind turbines near Bowling Green Ohio. Each turbine has a nominal capacity of 1.8 MW and sells electricity from its operations to OMEGA JV6 Participants.

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Pursuant to the Agreement each participant has an obligation to pay its share of debt service on the Adjustable Rate Revenue Bonds (Bonds) from the revenues of its electric system, subject only to the prior payment of Operating & Maintenance Expenses (O&M) of each participant's System, and shall be on a parity with any outstanding and future senior electric system revenue bonds, notes or other indebtedness payable from any revenues of the System. On dissolution of OMEGA JV6, any excess funds shall be refunded to the Non-Financing Participants in proportion to each Participant's Project Share and to Financing Participant's respective obligations first by credit against the Financing Participant's respective obligations. Any other excess funds shall be paid to the Participants in proportion to their respective Project Shares. Under the terms of the Agreement each financing participant is to fix, charge and collect rates, fees, charges, including other available funds, at least sufficient in order to maintain a debt coverage ratio equal to 110% of the sum of OMEGA JV6 debt service and any other outstanding senior lien electric system revenue obligations. As of December 31, 2020 Montpelier has met their debt coverage obligation.

The Agreement provides that the failure of any JV6 participant to make any payment due by the due date constitutes a default. In the event of a default and one in which the defaulting Participant failed to cure its default as provided for in the Agreement, the remaining participants would acquire the defaulting Participant's interest in the project and assume responsibility for the associated payments on a pro rata basis up to a maximum amount equal to 25% of such non-defaulting Participant's Project share ("Step Up Power").

OMEGA JV6 is managed by American Municipal Power, Inc., which acts as the joint venture's agent. On July 30, 2004 AMP issued \$9,861,000 adjustable rate bonds that mature on August 15, 2019. The interest rate on the bonds will be set every six months until maturity. No fixed amortization schedule exists. The net proceeds of the bond issues were used to construct the OMEGA JV6 Project. On August 15, 2015 the remaining balance was paid on the OMEGA JV6 Bonds.

The Village's net investment to date in OMEGA JV6 was \$59,203 at December 31, 2020. Complete financial statements for OMEGA JV6 may be obtained from AMP or from the State Auditor's website at [www.ohioauditor.gov](http://www.ohioauditor.gov).

The ten participating subdivisions and their respective ownership shares at December 31, 2020 are:

<b>Participant</b>	<b>KW Amount</b>	<b>% of Financing</b>
Bowling Green	4,100	56.94%
Cuyahoga Falls	1,800	25.00%
Napoleon	300	4.17%
Oberlin	250	3.47%
Wadsworth	250	3.47%
Edgerton	100	1.39%
Elmore	100	1.39%
Montpelier	100	1.39%
Pioneer	100	1.39%
Monroeville	100	1.39%
Total	7,200	100.00%

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**16. PURCHASED POWER**

The Village's electric distribution system during 2020 purchased wholesale electric power from American Municipal Power (AMP) and Safari Energy. AMP provides power through a mixture of long term take or pay purchase contracts with the Village. Included in these contracts with AMP are; the Prairie State Energy Campus Project (2,488 kilowatts), generation started during 2012, Fremont Natural Gas Energy Center (1,320 kilowatts), generation started in 2012, and the Ohio River Hydroelectric Project (1,799 kilowatts), generation that started during Spring 2016. AMP provides the remaining power requirements with market-based purchases from various sources including New York Power Authority, Blue Creek Wind Farm, and other pooled market sources. Safari Energy provides power through a purchase contract with the Village for power generated by a photovoltaic system (Solar Field) located on Village owned property on Travis Drive. The Solar Field (2,930 kilowatts) generation started in 2020.

**17. FUND BALANCES**

Fund balance is classified as non-spendable, 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:

	General	Parks & Recreation Fund	Tax Capital Improvement Fund	Sewer Capital Improvement Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>						
<b>Amounts Identified as:</b>						
Restricted For:						
Road Maintenance and Improvements					\$ 358,092	\$ 358,092
Drug Alcohol Education and Enforcement					7,280	7,280
Police and Fire Pension					30,164	30,164
Parks and Recreation Capital Projects		\$ 853,683		\$ 1,281,852		853,683 1,281,852
<b>Total Restricted</b>		<b>853,683</b>		<b>1,281,852</b>	<b>395,536</b>	<b>2,531,071</b>
<b>Committed to:</b>						
Compensated Absences	\$ 56,110					56,110
Capital Projects			\$ 897,452			897,452
<b>Total Committed</b>	<b>56,110</b>		<b>897,452</b>			<b>953,562</b>
<b>Assigned to:</b>						
Other Purposes - Budget Stabilization		319,242				319,242
Unassigned		3,002,534				3,002,534
<b>Total Fund Cash Balances</b>	<b>\$ 3,377,886</b>	<b>\$ 853,683</b>	<b>\$ 897,452</b>	<b>\$ 1,281,852</b>	<b>\$ 395,536</b>	<b>\$ 6,806,409</b>

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**18. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

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.

**19. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

On January 20, 2021, the Village issued \$250,000 in recreational facilities improvement notes for constructing a splash pad at the Municipal Park. The notes have an interest rate of 1.25 percent and mature July 20, 2022.

**20. MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS**

Miscellaneous receipts in the General Fund primarily consisted of Bureau of Workers' Compensation rebates.

**21. COVID-19**

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the Village. The Village's investment portfolio fluctuates with market conditions, and due to market volatility, the amount of gains or losses that will be realized in subsequent periods, if any, cannot be determined. In addition, the impact on the Village's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

During 2020, the Village received \$406,479 as an on-behalf of grant from another government. These amounts are recorded in the Local Coronavirus Relief Special Revenue Fund.



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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**

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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 cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of Montpelier, Williams County, Ohio (the Village) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, 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 24, 2021, wherein we noted the Village uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles. We also noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures which may impact subsequent periods of the Village.

***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 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 financial statements. 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'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 report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

June 24, 2021

# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



**VILLAGE OF MONTPELIER**

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**AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

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



**Certified for Release 7/13/2021**

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