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MADISON TOWNSHIP
HIGHLAND COUNTY

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Madison Township
Highland County
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To the Board of Trustees:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Unmodified and Adverse Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the Madison Township, Highland County, Ohio (the Township), which comprises the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type combined total as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type combined total as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions which Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit, described in Note 2.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township, as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, or the changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Township, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Township on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 2 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Township's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Township's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 22, 2024, on our consideration of the Township'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. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's 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 Township's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio
May 22, 2024

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Madison Township
Highland County, Ohio
Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements
and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis)
All Governmental Fund Types
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	General	Special Revenue	Combined Total
Cash Receipts			
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$36,762	\$47,316	\$84,078
Licenses, Permits and Fees	1,450		1,450
Intergovernmental	29,027	517,603	546,630
Earnings on Investments	2,825	4,514	7,339
Miscellaneous	331		331
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>70,395</u>	<u>569,433</u>	<u>639,828</u>
Cash Disbursements			
Current:			
General Government	80,018	62,801	142,819
Public Works		469,978	469,978
Human Services		51,150	51,150
Conservation-Recreation		7,475	7,475
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>80,018</u>	<u>591,404</u>	<u>671,422</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(9,623)</u>	<u>(21,971)</u>	<u>(31,594)</u>
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)			
Other Financing Sources	2,048	13,500	15,548
Other Financing Uses	(81)		(81)
<i>Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<u>1,967</u>	<u>13,500</u>	<u>15,467</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	<u>(7,656)</u>	<u>(8,471)</u>	<u>(16,127)</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>52,413</u>	<u>667,195</u>	<u>719,608</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$44,757</u>	<u>\$658,724</u>	<u>\$703,481</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Madison Township
Highland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Madison Township, Highland County, (the Township) as a body corporate and politic. A publicly elected three-member Board of Trustees directs the Township. The Township provides road and bridge maintenance and other general activities.

Joint Ventures, Jointly Governed Organizations, Public Entity Risk Pools and Related Organizations

The Township participates in the Ohio Township Risk Management Authority (OTARMA) which is an insurance risk-sharing pool available to Ohio Townships. Note 7 provides additional information regarding this entity. The Township is part of the Highland County Joint Hospital District and the Paint Creek Joint EMS/Fire District. Note 10 to the financial statements provides additional information for these entities. The Township’s management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The Township’s financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types which are all organized on a fund type basis.

Fund Accounting

The Township 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 Township are presented below:

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 Township for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

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

Gas Tax Fund The gas tax fund accounts for and reports that portion of the State gasoline tax restricted for maintenance and repair of roads within the Township.

American Rescue Plan Fund The American Rescue Plan fund accounts for and reports funds received and spent in accordance with the American Rescue Plan grants.

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Basis of Accounting

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

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

Budgetary Process

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

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

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

Encumbrances The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year. The Township did not encumber all commitments required by Ohio law.

A summary of 2022 budgetary activity appears in Note 4.

Deposits and Investments

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

Capital Assets

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

Fund Balance

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

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Nonspendable The Township classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact. For regulatory purposes, nonspendable fund balance includes unclaimed monies that are required to be held for five years before they may be utilized by the Township and the nonspendable portion of the corpus in permanent funds.

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

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

Assigned Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. For regulatory purposes, assigned fund balance in the general fund is limited to encumbrances outstanding at year end.

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

The Township 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.

For regulatory purposes, limited disclosure related to fund balance is included in Note 12.

Note 3 – Compliance

Contrary to Ohio law, budgetary expenditures exceeded appropriation authority in the American Rescue Plan Fund by \$40,611 for the year ended December 31, 2022. Also contrary to Ohio law, at December 31, 2022, the General fund appropriations exceed amount certified as available by \$13,947 and the American Rescue Plan by \$109,641.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 4 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2022 follows:

2022 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$58,852	\$72,443	\$13,591
Special Revenue	307,437	582,933	275,496
Total	\$366,289	\$655,376	\$289,087

2022 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$132,800	\$80,099	\$52,701
Special Revenue	664,115	591,404	72,711
Total	\$796,915	\$671,503	\$125,412

Note 5 – Deposits and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Township is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. A summary of the Township’s deposit and investment accounts are as follows:

	2022
Cash Management Pool:	
Demand deposits	\$703,481
Total deposits	703,481

The Township does not use a separate payroll clearing account. The expenditures included in the accompanying financial statements reflect net payroll plus all remitted payroll withholdings.

Madison Township
Highland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Township.

Note 6 – Property Taxes

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

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

Note 7 – Risk Management

The Township is a member of the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (The Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Township’s policy. The Pool covers the following risks:

- General liability and casualty
- Public official’s liability
- Cyber
- Law enforcement liability
- Automobile liability
- Vehicles
- Property
- Equipment breakdown

The Pool reported the following summary of assets and actuarially-measured liabilities available to pay those liabilities as of December 31:

	<u>2022</u>
Cash and investments	\$32,288,098
Actuarial liabilities	\$9,146,434

Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

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

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2022.

Social Security

Some Township employees contributed to Social Security. This plan provides retirement benefits, including survivor and disability benefits to participants.

Employees contributed 6.2 percent of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 6.2 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2022.

Note 9 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement, and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2022. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2022.

Effective January 1, 2022, OPERS discontinued the group plans currently offered to non-Medicare retirees and re-employed retirees. Instead, eligible non-Medicare retirees will select an individual medical plan. OPERS will provide a subsidy or allowance via an HRA allowance to those retirees who meet health care eligibility requirements. Retirees will be able to seek reimbursement for plan premiums and other qualified medical expenses.

Note 10 – Jointly Governed Organizations

The Highland County Joint Hospital District is a jointly governed organization established for the public purpose of better providing for the health and welfare of the people primarily of Highland County. Trustees from each of the 17 townships of Highland County constitute the Highland County Joint Township Hospital Board of Trustees who appoints a Hospital Board of Governors which is composed of one member from each township and three at-large members.

The Paint Creek Joint EMS/Fire District is a jointly governed organization that provides fire protection and rescue services within the District. The Paint Creek Joint EMS/Fire District is governed by a ten-member Board which is composed of one representative from each subdivision within the District. Those subdivisions are Madison Township, Liberty Township, Paint Township, New Market Township, Washington Township, Jackson Township, the City of Hillsboro, and the Village of Greenfield in Highland County, and Buckskin Township and Paint Township in Ross County.

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Highland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 11 – Related Party Transactions

A Township Trustee is part owner of a company from which the Township acquired tires and repair during the year. The Township paid \$6,010 for this acquisition.

Note 12 – Fund Balances

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. These restricted, committed, and assigned amounts in the special revenue funds would include the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned. The Township does not have any outstanding encumbrances.

Note 13 – 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. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021 while the national state of emergency continues. During 2022, the Township received COVID-19 funding. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Township. The impact on the Township's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

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	General	Special Revenue	Combined Total
Cash Receipts			
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$32,657	\$46,910	\$79,567
Licenses, Permits and Fees	2,025		2,025
Intergovernmental	27,144	263,026	290,170
Earnings on Investments	511	1,108	1,619
Miscellaneous	520		520
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>62,857</u>	<u>311,044</u>	<u>373,901</u>
Cash Disbursements			
Current:			
General Government	74,218	44,570	118,788
Public Works		192,561	192,561
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>74,218</u>	<u>237,131</u>	<u>311,349</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(11,361)</u>	<u>73,913</u>	<u>62,552</u>
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)			
Other Financing Sources	7,039	11,900	18,939
Other Financing Uses	(150)		(150)
<i>Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<u>6,889</u>	<u>11,900</u>	<u>18,789</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	(4,472)	85,813	81,341
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>56,885</u>	<u>581,382</u>	<u>638,267</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u><u>\$52,413</u></u>	<u><u>\$667,195</u></u>	<u><u>\$719,608</u></u>

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A summary of 2021 budgetary activity appears in Note 4.

Deposits and Investments

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Capital Assets

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

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

Assigned Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. For regulatory purposes, assigned fund balance in the general fund is limited to encumbrances outstanding at year end.

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

The Township 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.

For regulatory purposes, limited disclosure related to fund balance is included in Note 12.

Note 3 – Compliance

Contrary to Ohio law, budgetary appropriations exceeded certified estimated resources in the Coronavirus relief Fund by \$4,347 for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Note 4 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2021 follows:

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$58,852	\$69,896	\$11,044
Special Revenue	307,800	322,944	15,144
Total	\$366,652	\$392,840	\$26,188

Madison Township
Highland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$110,200	\$74,368	\$35,832
Special Revenue	609,182	237,131	372,051
Total	\$719,382	\$311,499	\$407,883

Note 5 – Deposits and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Township is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. A summary of the Township’s deposit and investment accounts are as follows:

	2021
<i>Cash Management Pool:</i>	
Demand deposits	\$719,608
Total deposits	719,608

The Township does not use a separate payroll clearing account. The expenditures included in the accompanying financial statements reflect net payroll plus all remitted payroll withholdings.

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Township.

At December 31, 2021, \$7,255 of deposits were not insured or collateralized, contrary to Ohio law.

Note 6 – Property Taxes

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

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

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Note 7 – Risk Management

The Township is a member of the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (The Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Township’s policy. The Pool covers the following risks:

- General liability and casualty
- Public official’s liability
- Cyber
- Law enforcement liability
- Automobile liability
- Vehicles
- Property
- Equipment breakdown

The Pool reported the following summary of assets and actuarially-measured liabilities available to pay those liabilities as of December 31:

	<u>2021</u>
Cash and investments	\$34,880,599
Actuarial liabilities	\$10,601,444

Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

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

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants’ gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2021.

Social Security

Some Township employees contributed to Social Security. This plan provides retirement benefits, including survivor and disability benefits to participants.

Employees contributed 6.2 percent of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 6.2 percent of participants’ gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2021.

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Note 9 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement, and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2021. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2021.

Note 10 – Jointly Governed Organizations

The Highland County Joint Hospital District is a jointly governed organization established for the public purpose of better providing for the health and welfare of the people primarily of Highland County. Trustees from each of the 17 townships of Highland County constitute the Highland County Joint Township Hospital Board of Trustees who appoints a Hospital Board of Governors which is composed of one member from each township and three at-large members.

The Paint Creek Joint EMS/Fire District is a jointly governed organization that provides fire protection and rescue services within the District. The Paint Creek Joint EMS/Fire District is governed by a ten-member Board which is composed of one representative from each subdivision within the District. Those subdivisions are Madison Township, Liberty Township, Paint Township, New Market Township, Washington Township, Jackson Township, the City of Hillsboro, and the Village of Greenfield in Highland County, and Buckskin Township and Paint Township in Ross County.

Note 11 – Related Party Transactions

A Township Trustee is part owner of a company from which the Township acquired tires and repair during the year. The Township paid \$3,517 for this acquisition.

Note 12 – Fund Balances

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. These restricted, committed, and assigned amounts in the special revenue funds would include the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned. The Township does not have any outstanding encumbrances.

Note 13 – 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. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021 while the national state of emergency continues. During 2021, the Township received COVID-19 funding. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Township. The impact on the Township's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.



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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**

Madison Township
Highland County
12646 Centerfield Road
Greenfield, Ohio 45123

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental fund type combined total as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 and the related notes to the financial statements of Madison Township, Highland County, (the Township) and have issued our report thereon dated May 22, 2024, wherein we noted the Township followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(C) permit.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Township's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *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 deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2022-001 and 2022-004 that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2022-002, 2022-003, and 2022-005.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio
May 22, 2024

**MADISON TOWNSHIP
HIGHLAND COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021**

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

FINDING NUMBER 2022-001

Material Weakness

In our audit engagement letter, as required by AU-C Section 210, Terms of Engagement, paragraph .06, management acknowledged its responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of their financial statements; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error as discussed in AU-C Section 210 paragraphs .A14 & .A16.

Due to deficiencies in the Township's financial statement monitoring and review process, the Township made the following errors during the compilation of the 2022 financial statements:

- General fund other financing sources and other financing uses were overstated by \$253,430 and \$240,000, respectively. Road and Bridge fund intergovernmental receipts were understated by \$3,488 due to homestead and rollback being posted in the General fund as other financing sources. Also, intergovernmental receipts and public works expenditures were understated by \$249,942 and \$240,000, respectively in the Ohio Department of Transportation grant fund due to posting of a grant in the wrong fund. (See Finding Number 2022-005 for establishment of grant fund)
- General fund intergovernmental receipts and interest receipts were understated by \$2,591 and \$286, respectively, due to reconciliation issues.
- Motor vehicle license fund interest receipts were understated by \$181 due to reconciliation issues.
- Gasoline tax fund property tax receipts were overstated and intergovernmental receipts were understated by \$46,620 due to incorrect posting of receipts.
- Gasoline tax fund interest receipts were understated by \$346 due to reconciliation issues.
- Road and bridge fund property tax receipts were overstated by \$729 due to incorrect posting.
- Road and bridge fund intergovernmental receipts and interest receipts were understated by \$2,592 and \$346, respectively, due to reconciliation issues.
- Permissive motor vehicle license fund intergovernmental receipts were understated by \$729 due to incorrect posting.
- Permissive motor vehicle license fund interest receipts were understated by \$346 due to reconciliation issues.

Due to deficiencies in the Township's financial statement monitoring and review process, the Township made the following errors in the 2021 financial statements:

- General fund property tax receipts were overstated by \$2,257 due to incorrect posting.
- General fund intergovernmental receipts were overstated by \$7,589 due to incorrect posting of homestead and rollback receipts.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-001
(Continued)

- Motor vehicle license fund intergovernmental receipts were overstated by \$2,468 due to incorrect posting.
- Gasoline tax fund property tax receipts were overstated and intergovernmental receipts were understated by \$65,884 due to incorrect posting.
- Road and bridge fund intergovernmental receipts were understated by \$3,671 due to incorrect posting of homestead and rollback receipts.
- Permissive motor vehicle license fund intergovernmental receipts were understated by \$2,396 due to incorrect posting.
- Permissive motor vehicle license fund property tax receipts were understated by \$3,990 due to incorrect posting.

The Township corrected the financial statements and accounting records, where appropriate, for the errors above.

The Township made additional errors in classifying receipt and disbursement transaction line items in various funds in the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances in amounts ranging from \$350 to \$8,820 in 2021 and \$9 to \$13,550 in 2022. The Township did correct the financial statements for some of these errors, but not all. The uncorrected amounts were not considered material.

Failure to accurately post and report transactions could result in material errors in the Township's financial statements and reduces the Township's ability to monitor financial activity and to make sound decisions which effect the overall available cash positions of the Township.

The Township should review and implement internal controls to ensure financial transactions are accurately recorded and reported.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-002

Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.39 provides that total appropriations from each fund shall not exceed the total of the estimated revenue available for expenditure there-from, as certified by the county budget commission, or in case of appeal, by the board of tax appeals. No appropriation measure shall become effective until the county auditor files with the appropriating authority a certificate that the total appropriations from each fund, taken together with all other outstanding appropriations, do not exceed such official estimate or amended official estimate. For purposes of this section of the Ohio Revised Code, estimated revenue is commonly referred to as "estimated resources" because it includes unencumbered fund balances.

At December 31, 2021 the Township's appropriations exceeded the amount certified as available by the budget commission in the Coronavirus Relief Fund by \$4,347.

At December 31, 2022 the Township's appropriations exceeded the amount certified as available by the budget commission in the General and the American Rescue Plan funds by \$13,947 and \$109,641, respectively.

**FINDING NUMBER 2022-002
(Continued)**

Failure to limit appropriations to the amount certified by the budget commission due to deficiencies in the Township's compliance monitoring policies and procedures could result in overspending and negative cash fund balances.

The Township should draft, approve, and implement procedures to compare appropriations to estimated resources and, if adequate resources are available for additional appropriations, the Township should submit an amended certificate of estimated resources to the budget commission for certification. If the resources are not available to cover the appropriations, an amendment to the appropriation resolution should be passed by the Board of Trustees to reduce the appropriations.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-003

Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(B) prohibits a subdivision or taxing authority unit from making any expenditure of money unless it has been appropriated in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code.

Due to inadequate policies and procedures in approving and reviewing budget versus actual information, the Township's American Rescue Plan fund had expenditures in excess of appropriations of \$40,611 as of December 31, 2022.

Failure to have adequate appropriations in place at the time expenditures are made could cause expenditures to exceed available resources, further resulting in deficit spending practices.

The Township should closely monitor expenditures and appropriations and make the necessary appropriation amendments, if possible, to reduce the likelihood of expenditures exceeding appropriations. Additionally, the Fiscal Officer should deny payment requests exceeding appropriations when appropriations are inadequate to cover the expenditures.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-004

Material Weakness

In our audit engagement letter, as required by AU-C Section 210, Terms of Engagement, paragraph .06, management acknowledged its responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of their financial statements; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error as discussed in AU-C Section 210 paragraphs .A14 & .A16.

Sound accounting practices require accurately posting estimated receipts and appropriations to the ledgers to provide information for budget versus actual comparison and to allow the Board to make informed decisions regarding budgetary matters.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-004
(Continued)

The Appropriation resolution and subsequent amendments establish the legal spending authority of the Township and the appropriation ledger provides the process by which the Township controls spending, it is therefore necessary the amounts appropriated by the Board are precisely stated and accurately posted to the appropriation ledger.

The original certificate and amendments establish the amounts available for expenditures for the Township and the receipts ledger provides the process by which the Township controls what is available, it is therefore necessary the amounts estimated by the County Budget Commission are posted accurately to the receipts ledger.

Due to deficiencies in the Township's financial statement monitoring and review process, the Township made the following errors in the 2021 Budgetary footnote as a result of using the accounting system amounts which did not agree to the approved amounts:

- General fund estimated receipts were overstated by \$264,405.
- General fund appropriations were overstated by \$250,000.
- Special revenue estimated receipts were overstated by \$138,385.
- Special revenue appropriations were overstated by \$140,000.

Due to deficiencies in the Township's financial statement monitoring and review process, the Township made the following errors in the 2021 Budgetary footnote as a result of using the accounting system amounts which did not agree to the approved amounts:

- General fund estimated receipts were overstated by \$4,753.
- General fund appropriations were understated by \$2,374.
- Special revenue estimated receipts were understated by \$16,576.
- Special revenue appropriations were overstated by \$220,281.

The Township corrected the financial statements where appropriate, for the errors above.

The Township did not have procedures in place to accurately post authorized budgetary measures to the accounting system. The appropriations (and/or amendments thereof) approved by Board were not properly posted to the accounting system. Additionally, the approved Certificate of Estimated Resources (and/or amendments thereof) was also not properly posted to the accounting system.

Failure to accurately post the appropriations and estimated resources to the ledgers could result in overspending and negative cash balances. In addition, this could lead to inaccurate reporting of the budgetary information in the financial statements.

To effectively control the budgetary cycle and to maintain accountability over receipts and expenditures, the Township should post to the ledgers, on a timely basis, estimated resources as certified by the budget commission and appropriations approved by the Board. The Township should then monitor budget versus actual reports to help ensure amended certificates of resources and appropriations have been properly posted to the ledgers.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-005

Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.09 states each subdivision shall establish the following funds: (A) General Fund; (B) Sinking fund whenever the subdivision has outstanding bonds other than serial bonds; (C) bond retirement fund; (D) a special fund for each special levy; (E) a special bond fund for each bond issue; (F) a special fund for each class of revenues derived from a source other than the general property tax, which the law requires to be used for a particular purpose; (G) a special fund for each public utility operated by a subdivision; and (H) a trust fund for any amount received by a subdivision in trust.

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) grant monies should be accounted for in a special revenue fund apart from other funds. The Township received \$249,924 in 2022 in ODOT money. The expense and revenue of this activity was recorded in the General fund instead of a designated fund.

Failure to properly post restricted receipts and expenditures could result in negative fund balances or restricted grants being used for unallowable purposes.

The Township should follow the guidance regarding the recording of grants which can be found in Audit Bulletin 98-013 and AOS Bulletin 99-006. As described in the bulletin, the Township should approve the fund per resolution, and if the fund is not a required fund, they are required to have it approved by the Auditor of the State of Ohio Office.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

4. OTHER – FINDINGS FOR RECOVERY

In addition, we identified the following other issues related to Findings for Recovery. These issues did not impact our GAGAS or Single Audit Compliance and Controls reports.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-006

Noncompliance/ Finding For Recovery – Resolved Under Audit

Ohio Rev. Code § 507.09(A)(4) provides that in a township having a budget of more than \$750,000 but not more than \$1,500,000, the compensation of the Township Fiscal Officer shall be \$19,717 in 2021 and \$20,062 in 2022.

Madison Township's budget in 2022-2021 was between \$750,000 and \$1,500,000 thus the Fiscal Officer was to be paid \$19,717 in 2021 and \$20,062 in 2022.

Madison Township's Fiscal Officer mistakenly used the incorrect amount when calculating the Fiscal Officer's salary. Consequently, the Fiscal Officer Sherri Beatty received compensation in the amount of \$19,378 resulting in an underpayment of \$339 and \$26,378 in 2022 resulting in an overpayment of \$6,316. This resulted in a total overpayment of \$5,977 for the audit period.

In accordance with the foregoing facts and pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public monies illegally expended is hereby issued against Township Fiscal Officer Sherri Beatty and her bonding company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, in the amount of \$5,977, and in favor of Madison Township's General fund in the amount of \$2,989 and the Gasoline Tax fund in the amount of \$2,988.

**FINDING NUMBER 2022-006
(Continued)**

On May 20, 2024, Sherri Beatty entered into a repayment agreement with the Township. Payments of \$500 are to be made monthly for eleven months with the final payment of \$477 due on the twelfth month. As a result of this repayment agreement, this finding for recovery is considered to be resolved under audit.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-007

Noncompliance/ Finding For Recovery – Repaid Under Audit

Ohio Rev. Code 507.24 provided that in a township having a budget of more than \$750,000 but not more than \$1,500,000, the compensation of the Township Trustees shall be \$11,342 in 2021 and \$12,158 in 2022.

Madison Township's budget in 2021 and 2022 was between \$750,000 and \$1,500,000 thus the Trustees were to be paid \$56.71 for 200 days for a total of \$11,342 in 2021 and \$60.79 for 200 days for a total of \$12,158 in 2022, annually.

Madison Township's Fiscal Officer mistakenly used the incorrect amount when calculating the Trustee's salary. Consequently, Trustee Bruce Baird received compensation in the amount of \$15,116 in 2022 resulting in an overpayment of \$2,958.

In accordance with the foregoing facts and pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public monies illegally expended is hereby issued against Township Trustee Bruce Baird and his bonding company, Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority, in the amount of \$2,958, and in favor of Madison Township's General fund in the amount of \$739 and the Gasoline Tax fund in the amount of \$2,219.

On April 17, 2024, \$2,958 was repaid to the Township. As a result, this finding is considered repaid under audit.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-008

Noncompliance/ Finding For Recovery – Repaid Under Audit

Ohio Rev. Code 507.24 provided that in a township having a budget of more than \$750,000 but not more than \$1,500,000, the compensation of the Township Trustees shall be \$11,342 in 2021 and \$12,158 in 2022.

Madison Township's budget in 2021 and 2022 was between \$750,000 and \$1,500,000 thus the Trustees were to be paid \$56.71 for 200 days for a total of \$11,342 in 2021 and \$60.79 for 200 days for a total of \$12,158 in 2022, annually.

Madison Township's Fiscal Officer mistakenly used the incorrect amount when calculating the Trustee's salary. Consequently, Trustee Charles Buck received compensation in the amount of \$15,116 in 2022 resulting in an overpayment of \$2,958.

FINDING NUMBER 2022-008
(Continued)

In accordance with the foregoing facts and pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public monies illegally expended is hereby issued against Township Trustee Charles Buck and his bonding company, Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority, in the amount of \$2,958, and in favor of Madison Township's General fund in the amount of \$2,219 and the Gasoline Tax fund in the amount of \$739.

On May 17, 2024, \$2,958 was repaid to the Township. As a result, this finding is considered repaid under audit.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

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Madison Township
Highland County, Ohio

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Status	Additional Information
2020-001	Internal Controls relating to financial reporting	Not Corrected	Reissued as 2022-001
2020-002	Appropriations Exceeding Estimated Resources	Not Corrected	Reissued as 2022-002

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MADISON TOWNSHIP

HIGHLAND COUNTY

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.



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