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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Wood County Park District Wood County, Ohio 18729 Mercer Road Bowling Green, Ohio 43402-9688

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Wood County Park District, Wood County, Ohio's (the District) receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the District. The District is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the District.

The Board of Trustees and the management of the District have agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of providing assistance in the evaluation of the District's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. No other party acknowledged the appropriateness of the procedures. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of the report and may not meet the needs of all users of the report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

For the purposes of performing these procedures, this report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

Cash

- 1. Wood County is the custodian for the District's deposits, and therefore the County's deposit and investment pool holds the Districts assets. We compared the District's fund balances reported on its December 31, 2023 Fund Status Report to the balances reported in the Wood County's accounting records. The amounts agreed.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2022 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2021 balances in the prior year documentation in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2023 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2022 balances in the Fund Ledger Report. We found no exceptions.

Property Taxes and Intergovernmental Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected a total of 5 receipts from the *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* and the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2023 and a total of 5 from 2022:
 - a. We compared the amounts from the *above named reports* to the amount recorded in the Detail Revenue Transactions Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Detail Revenue Transactions Report to determine these receipts were allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.05 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the Detail Revenue Transactions Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the Detail Revenue Transactions Report to determine whether it included 2 real estate tax receipts for 2023 and 2022. The Detail Revenue Transactions Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year. We found no exceptions.

Other Receipts

We selected 10 other receipts from the year ended December 31, 2023:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount recorded in the Detail Revenue Transactions Report to supporting documentation. The amounts agreed.
- b. Inspected the Detail Revenue Transactions Report to determine the receipts were posted to the proper funds, and were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Debt

- 1. The prior agreed-upon procedures documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2021.
- 2. We inquired of management and inspected the Detail Revenue Transactions Report and Expenditure Detail Transactions Report for evidence of debt issued during 2023 or 2022 or debt payment activity during 2023 or 2022. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2023 or 2022.

Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We selected 1 payroll check for 5 employees from 2023 and 1 payroll check for 5 employees from 2022 from the Detail Check Register and:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Detail Check Register to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively approved rate or salary).
 We found no exceptions.
 - b. We inspected the fund and account code to which the check was posted to determine the posting was allowable based on the employees duties as documented in the employees' personnel files. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected 3 new employees and Board of Trustees from 2023 and 3 new employees and Board of Trustees from 2022 and:
 - a. We inspected the employees' personnel files for the Retirement system, Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization.
 - b. We agreed the items in a above to the Detail Check Register We found no exceptions.

3. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2023 to confirm whether remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2023. We observed the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare (and social security, for employees not enrolled in pension system)	January 31, 2024	December 29, 2023	\$6,050.68	\$6,050.68
State income taxes	January 15, 2024	December 29, 2023	1,355.61	1,355.61
Local income tax	January 15, 2024	December 29, 2023	384.55	384.55
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2024	December 29, 2023	7,234.54	7,234.54
School District Income Tax	January 15, 2024	December 29, 2023	265.21	265.21

We found no exceptions.

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

We selected 10 disbursements from the Detail Expenditure Transactions Report for the year ended December 31, 2023 and 10 from the year ended December 31, 2022 and determined whether:

- a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
- b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Detail Expenditure Transactions Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
- c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
- **d.** The fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a Then and Now Certificate, as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

Compliance – Budgetary

- 1. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments including outstanding encumbrances) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations (Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.38 and 5705.40) plus any carryover appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 for the General fund. Expenditures did not exceed appropriations.
- 2. We inspected the Selected Statement of Cash Position for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 for negative cash fund balances. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.10 (I) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. No funds had negative cash fund balances.

Sunshine Law Compliance

- 1. We obtained and inspected the District's Public Records Policy to determine the policy was in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(2) and 149.43(B)(7)(c) and did not limit the number of responses that may be made to a particular person, limit the number of responses during a specified period of time, or establish a fixed period of time before it will respond unless that period is less than eight hours. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected all public records requests from the engagement period and inspected each request to determine the following"
 - a. The District was compliant and responded to the request in accordance with their adopted policy as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(1). We found no exceptions.
 - b. The District provided an explanation for the partial denied request which included the legal authority to the requester as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(3). We found no exceptions.
 - c. The District was redacting records and making the redactions visible and provided an explanation which included the legal authority to the requester as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(1). We found no exceptions.
- 3. We inquired whether the District had a records retention schedule and observed that it was readily available to the public as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 4. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 5. We inspected the District's policy manual and determined the public records policy was included as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 6. We observed that the District's poster describing their Public Records Policy was displayed conspicuously in all branches of the District as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 7. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
- 8. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any elected officials subject to the Public Records Training requirements during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(1) and 109.43(B).
- 9. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the District notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period were to be held as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(F). We found no exceptions.

- 10. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(C) and determined whether they were:
 - a. Prepared a file is created following the date of the meeting
 - b. Filed placed with similar documents in an organized manner
 - c. Maintained retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period
 - d. Open to public inspection available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

- 11. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G) and determined the following:
 - a. Executive sessions were only held at regular or special meetings.
 - b. The purpose for the meetings and going into an executive session (when applicable) correlated with one of the matters listed in Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G).
 - c. Formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings.

We found no exceptions.

Other Compliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 requires these districts to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the District filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 in the Hinkle system. We found no exceptions.

We were engaged by the District to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with the attestation standards established by the AICPA and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the District's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the ethical requirements established by the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* related to our agreed upon procedures engagement.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

July 29, 2024

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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.



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