**REGULAR AUDIT** 

# FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 - 1998



JIM PETRO AUDITOR OF STATE

STATE OF OHIO

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# **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS**

Tod Township Crawford County 2666 Marion Melmore Road Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Tod Township, Crawford County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and December 31, 1998. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Township prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Township as of December 31, 1999 and December 31, 1998, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 25, 2000, 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 grants.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Clerk, the Board of Trustees and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

April 25, 2000

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$8,352	\$5,783	\$14,135
Intergovernmental	23,891	60,385	84,276
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	2,075	0	2,075
Earnings on Investments	2,639	1,791	4,430
Other Revenue	0	800	800
Total Cash Receipts	36,957	68,759	105,716
Cash Disbursements:			
Current: General Government	34,554	0	34,554
Public Works	34,554 0	67,293	67,293
Health	3,633	07,295	3,633
Capital Outlay	0	511	511
Total Cash Disbursements	38,187	67,804	105,991
Total Cash Disbursements		07,004	105,991
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(1,230)	955	(275)
Other Financian Descinter			
Other Financing Receipts: Other Sources	500	0	500
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(730)	955	225
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	36,785	49,598	86,383
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$36,055	\$50,553	\$86,608

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$8,483	\$5,872	\$14,355
Intergovernmental	28,511	58,291	86,802
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	1,750	0	1,750
Earnings on Investments	2,838	1,670	4,508
Other Revenue	0	3,200	3,200
Total Cash Receipts	41,582	69,033	110,615
Cash Disbursements:			
Current: General Government	27,060	0	27,060
Public Works	14,000	53,101	67,101
Health	3,320	0	3,320
Capital Outlay	600	34,761	35,361
Total Cash Disbursements	44,980	87,862	132,842
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(3,398)	(18,829)	(22,227)
Other Financing Receipts:			
Other Sources	1,463	0	1,463
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing			
Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(1,935)	(18,829)	(20,764)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	38,720	68,427	107,147
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$36,785	\$49,598	\$86,383

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### A. Description of the Entity

Tod Township, Crawford County, Ohio, (the Township) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Township is directed by a publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township provides general governmental services, including road and bridge maintenance, and cemetery maintenance.

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

## B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

### C. Cash and Investments

The investment in STAR Ohio (the State Treasurer's investment pool) is valued at amounts reported by the State Treasurer.

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 disbursements, respectively.

### D. Fund Accounting

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

### 1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

# 2. Special Revenue Funds

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

Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund - This fund receives motor vehicle license tax money for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Township roads.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

### D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

#### 2. Special Revenue Funds (Continued)

Road and Bridge Fund - This fund receives property tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

Gasoline Tax Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

### E. Budgetary Process

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

#### 1. Appropriations

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

### 2. Estimated Resources

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

#### 3. 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.

A summary of 1999 and 1998 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### F. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

# 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

# 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Deposits	\$13,026	\$39,348
STAR Ohio	73,582	47,035
Total deposits and investments	\$86,608	\$86,383

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

**Investments:** Investments in STAR Ohio are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or bookentry form.

# 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 1999 and December 31, 1998 follows:

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General		\$28,217	\$37,457	\$9,240
Special Revenue		66,462	68,759	2,297
	Total	\$94,679	\$106,216	\$11,537

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures						
		Appropriation	Budgetary			
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance		
General Special Revenue		\$65,001 116,059	\$38,187 67,804	\$26,814 48,255		
	Total	\$181,060	\$105,991	\$75,069		
1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts						
		Budgeted	Actual			
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance		
General Special Revenue		\$26,340 65,300	\$43,045 69,033	\$16,705 3,733		
	Total	\$91,640	\$112,078	\$20,438		

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

## 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue		\$65,050 133,712	\$44,980 87,862	\$20,070 45,850
	Total	\$198,762	\$132,842	\$65,920

### 4. PROPERTY TAX

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

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

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

# 5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including post-retirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 1999 and 1998, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 1999.

### 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability
- Vehicles



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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Tod Township Crawford County 2666 Marion Melmore Road Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Tod Township, Crawford County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and December 31, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated April 25, 2000. We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

# Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audits and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 1999-40517-001.

# Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted a matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that does not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated April 25, 2000. Tod Township Crawford County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance And on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

This report is intended for the information and use of the Clerk and the Board of Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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JIM PETRO Auditor of State

April 25, 2000

### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

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

# FINDING NUMBER

1999-40517-001

# **Prevailing Wage Requirements**

Ohio Rev. Code Sections 4115.04 and 4115.05 require an entity to obtain the prevailing wages in their area before such project is bid and again when the contract is awarded, if the award is made more than 90 days after the original prevailing wage is determined. They then need to make sure that the contractors agree, in the contract, to pay the prevailing wage.

The Township did not require the contractor to agree to pay prevailing wages for the 1999 Township road project.

We recommend the Township require contractors to agree, in writing, to pay prevailing wages for contracts involving labor.



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# **CRAWFORD COUNTY**

# **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED JUNE 27, 2000