# **REGULAR AUDIT**

# FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999-1998



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STATE OF OHIO

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# **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS**

Village of Zanesfield Logan County P.O. Box 62 Zanesfield, Ohio 43360

To the Village Council:

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

We conducted our audit 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 audit 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 audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Village 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 and reserves for encumbrances of the Village as of December 31, 1999 and 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 August 8, 2000 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 grants.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and Village Council 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

August 8, 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

|  | <u>Governmenta</u> |                    |                                |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
|  | General            | Special<br>Revenue | Totals<br>(Memorandum<br>Only) |
| Cash Receipts:<br>Property Tax and Other Local Taxes<br>Intergovernmental Receipts | \$5,028<br>85,597  | \$0<br>7.937       | \$5,028<br>93,534              |
| Miscellaneous  | 9,526              | 0                  | 9,526                          |
| Total Cash Receipts  | 100,151            | 7,937              | 108,088                        |
| Cash Disbursements:<br>Current:  |                    |                    |                                |
| Leisure Time Activities  | 2,008              | 0                  | 2,008                          |
| Community Environment<br>Transportation  | 2,015<br>0         | 0<br>5,170         | 2,015<br>5,170                 |
| General Government   | 14,328             | 0                  | 14,328_                        |
| Total Disbursements  | 18,351             | 5,170              | 23,521                         |
| Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements  | 81,800             | 2,767              | 84,567_                        |
|  |                    |                    |                                |
| Fund Cash Balances, January 1  | 16,176             | 31,369             | 47,545                         |
| Fund Cash Balances, December 31  | \$97,976           | \$34,136           | \$132,112                      |
| Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31   | \$460              | \$0                | \$460                          |

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

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

|  | Fiduciary<br>Fund Type |
|--|------------------------|
|  | Nonexpendable<br>Trust |
| Operating Cash Receipts:<br>Miscellaneous                      | \$2,227                |
| <b>Operating Cash Disbursements:</b><br>Supplies and Materials | 7,500                  |
| Operating Income/(Loss)  | (5,273)                |
| Fund Cash Balances, January 1                                  | 49,541                 |
| Fund Cash Balances, December 31                                | \$44,268               |
| Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31                          | \$0_                   |

The notes to the financial statement 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

|   | <u>Governmental</u> | Totala             |                                |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
|   | General             | Special<br>Revenue | Totals<br>(Memorandum<br>Only) |
| Cash Receipts:                            |                     |                    |                                |
| Property Tax and Other Local Taxes        | \$4,787             | \$0                | \$4,787                        |
| Intergovernmental Receipts                | 11,401              | 7,473              | 18,874                         |
| Miscellaneous                             | 8,151               | 0                  | 8,151                          |
| Total Cash Receipts                       | 24,339              | 7,473              | 31,812                         |
| Cash Disbursements:<br>Current:           |                     |                    |                                |
| Leisure Time Activities                   | 1,500               | 0                  | 1,500                          |
| Community Environment                     | 2,260               | 0                  | 2,260                          |
| Transportation                            | 0                   | 6,889              | 6,889                          |
| General Government                        | 16,678              | 0                  | 16,678                         |
| Total Disbursements                       | 20,438              | 6,889              | 27,327                         |
| Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements | 3,901               | 584                | 4,485                          |
|   |                     |                    |                                |
| Fund Cash Balances, January 1             | 12,275              | 30,785             | 43,060                         |
| Fund Cash Balances, December 31           | \$16,176            | \$31,369           | \$47,545                       |
| Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31    | \$657               | \$0                | \$657                          |

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

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

|  | Fiduciary<br>Fund Type |
|--|------------------------|
|  | Nonexpendable<br>Trust |
| <b>Operating Cash Receipts:</b><br>Miscellaneous               | \$2,418                |
| <b>Operating Cash Disbursements:</b><br>Supplies and Materials | 1,104                  |
| Operating Income/(Loss)  | 1,314                  |
| Fund Cash Balances, January 1                                  | 48,227                 |
| Fund Cash Balances, December 31                                | \$49,541               |
| Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31                          | \$0                    |

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

The Village of Zanesfield, Logan County, (the Village) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Village is directed by a publicly-elected six-member Council. The Village provides general governmental services and park operations. The Village contracts with the Logan County Sheriff's department to provide security of persons and property.

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

# B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the 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

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

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 Village uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Village 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 Fund

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

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

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

# 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**D. Fund Accounting** (Continued)

#### **Proprietary Fund Type:**

# 3. Fiduciary Funds (Trust and Agency Funds)

Trust funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements. If the agreement requires the Village to maintain the corpus of the trust, the fund is classified as a nonexpendable trust fund. The Village had the following significant nonexpendable trust fund:

Sloan Fund - This fund receives interest income to be used for the youth of the Village.

# 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 Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

# 2. Estimated Resources

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

#### 3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated. The Village did not use the encumbrance of accounting.

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.

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

### 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

|  | <u>1999</u>            | <u>1998</u>            |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Demand deposits<br>Certificates of deposit | \$<br>99,591<br>76,789 | \$<br>81,619<br>15,467 |
| Total deposits                             | <br>176,380            | <br>97,086             |

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

# 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

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

| 1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts                           |       |                                       |         |          |                                |          |                                    |         |  |
|---|-------|---------------------------------------|---------|----------|--------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|---------|--|
|   |       | В                                     | udgeted |          | Actual                         |          |                                    |         |  |
| Fund Type   |       | Receipts                              |         | Receipts |                                | Receipts |                                    | Varianc |  |
| General<br>Special Revenue<br>Capital Projects<br>Fiduciary |       | \$ 21,300<br>5,900<br>45,000<br>2,100 |         | \$       | 100,151<br>7,937<br>0<br>2,227 | \$       | 78,851<br>2,037<br>(45,000)<br>127 |         |  |
|   | Total | \$                                    | 74,300  | \$       | 110,315                        | \$       | 36,015                             |         |  |

| 1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis E | xpenditures |
|--|-------------|
|--|-------------|

|   |       | Appropriation |                                      | В  | udgetary                      |    |                                    |  |
|---|-------|---------------|--------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|----|------------------------------------|--|
| Fund Type   |       | Authority     |                                      | Ex | penditures                    | \  | /ariance                           |  |
| General<br>Special Revenue<br>Capital Projects<br>Fiduciary |       | \$            | 26,683<br>14,850<br>45,000<br>20,000 | \$ | 18,811<br>5,170<br>0<br>7,500 | \$ | 7,872<br>9,680<br>45,000<br>12,500 |  |
|   | Total | \$            | 106,533                              | \$ | 31,481                        | \$ | 75,052                             |  |

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

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

|   | 1998 E | Sudge                       | ted vs. Actu | al Rec | eipts                    |    |                     |
|---|--------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------|--------------------------|----|---------------------|
|   |        | E                           | Budgeted     |        | Actual                   |    |                     |
| Fund Type                               | Re     |                             | Receipts     | F      | Receipts                 | V  | ariance             |
| General<br>Special Revenue<br>Fiduciary |        | \$ 19,300<br>7,000<br>2,250 |              | \$     | 24,339<br>7,473<br>2,418 | \$ | 5,039<br>473<br>168 |
|   | Total  | \$                          | 28,550       | \$     | 34,230                   | \$ | 5,680               |

| 1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures |       |           |                            |     |                          |    |                          |
|---|-------|-----------|----------------------------|-----|--------------------------|----|--------------------------|
|   |       | App       | propriation                | В   | udgetary                 |    |                          |
| Fund Type   |       | Authority |                            | Exp | penditures               | \  | /ariance                 |
| General<br>Special Revenue<br>Fiduciary               |       | \$        | 26,144<br>15,800<br>12,000 | \$  | 21,095<br>6,889<br>1,104 | \$ | 5,049<br>8,911<br>10,896 |
|   | Total | \$        | 53,944                     | \$  | 29,088                   | \$ | 24,856                   |

The Village did not certify the availability of funds for expenditure in violation of Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D).

# 4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Village Council. 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 payment, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Village.

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 Village.

# 6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Village's full time 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 postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Village contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 1999.

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

# 7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- -General liability
- Auto liability & Auto physical damage
- Property coverage
- Inland marine coverage
- Law enforcement liability
- Public officials liability

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

Village of Zanesfield Logan County PO Box 62 Zanesfield, Ohio 43360

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Zanesfield, Logan County, Ohio (the Village), as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated August 8, 2000. We conducted our audit 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 Village'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 the determination of financial statement amounts. 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 an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 1999-30246-001.

# Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Village'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 that might be material 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 Village in a separate letter dated August 8, 2000.

Village of Zanesfield Logan 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 audit committee, management, and Village Council, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

August 8, 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 1999-30246-001

# **Noncompliance Citation**

Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41 (D) states that no orders or contracts involving the expenditure of money are to be made unless there is a certificate of the fiscal officer that the amount required for the order or contract has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances.

The following exceptions to this basic requirement are provided by statute:

<u>Then and Now Certificate</u>: This exception provides that, if the fiscal officer can certify that both at the time that the contract or order was made and at the time that he is completing his certification, sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance, the taxing authority can authorize the drawing of a warrant. The taxing authority has 30 days from the receipt of such certificate to approve payment by resolution or ordinance. If approval is not made within 30 days, there is no legal liability on the part of the subdivision or taxing district.

Amounts of less than \$100 for counties, or less than \$1,000 for other political subdivisions, may be paid by the fiscal officer without such affirmation of the taxing authority upon completion of the "then and now" certificate, provided that the expenditure is otherwise lawful. This does not eliminate any otherwise applicable requirement for approval of expenditures by the taxing authority.

No Village expenditures were certified by the Clerk/Treasurer. Procedures should be implemented to help assure compliance with this requirement.

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

| Finding<br><u>Number</u> | Finding<br><u>Summary</u>           | Fully<br>Corrected? | Not Corrected; Partially Corrected; Significantly<br>Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding<br>No Longer Valid: Explain: |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| 1997-40346-001           | Prior Certification of Expenditures | No                  | Not corrected. Repeated in this report  |



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# VILLAGE OF ZANEFIELD

# LOGAN 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 SEPTEMBER 19, 2000