REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000-1999



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STATE OF OHIO

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Monterey Township Putnam County 25770 Road N25 Cloverdale, Ohio 45827-9228

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Monterey Township, Putnam County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999. 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, 2000 and 1999, 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 March 1, 2001 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. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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

March 1, 2001

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	Governmental		
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$20,464	\$68,471	\$88,935
Intergovernmental	40,895	76,148	117,043
Licenses, Permits and Fees	580		580
Earnings on Investments	6,304	1,443	7,747
Other Revenue	2,005		2,005_
Total Cash Receipts	70,248	146,062	216,310
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
General Government	65,144		65,144
Public Safety		13,445	13,445
Public Works	1,190	77,144	78,334
Health	1,726	00 405	1,726
Capital Outlay		22,135	22,135
Total Cash Disbursements	68,060	112,724	180,784
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	2,188	33,338	35,526
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	32,374	112,640	145,014
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$34,562	\$145,978	\$180,540

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, 1999

	Governmental		
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$17,230	\$58,587	\$75,817
Intergovernmental	36,726	75,348	112,074
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	340		340
Earnings on Investments	4,807	1,045	5,852
Other Revenue	872		872
Total Cash Receipts	59,975	134,980	194,955
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
General Government	63,456	4.4.000	63,456
Public Safety	700	14,030	14,030
Public Works Health	722 801	71,329	72,051 801
Capital Outlay	001	29,490	29,490
Capital Oullay		23,430	23,430
Total Cash Disbursements	64,979	114,849	179,828
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(5,004)	20,131	15,127
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	37,378	92,509	129,887
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$32,374	\$112,640	\$145,014

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Monterey Township, Putnam County, (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 maintenance and repair, cemetery maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services. The Township contracts with the Village of Ottoville Fire Department for fire protection.

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

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 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:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

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

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

Road District Fund - This fund receives property tax receipts for 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 2000 and 1999 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 investment 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, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

	2000	1999
Demand deposits	\$106,494	\$93,870
Certificates of deposit	74,046	51,144
Total Deposits	\$180,540	\$145,014

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

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2000 and 1999 follows:

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
Budgeted Actual				
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General		\$64,475	\$70,248	\$5,773
Special Revenue		145,263	146,062	799
	Total	\$209,738	\$216,310	\$6,572

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type		Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue		\$87,164 232.414	\$68,060 112,724	\$19,104 119,690
	Total	\$319,578	\$180,784	\$138,794

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
Budgeted Actual				
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue		\$59,421 130,867	\$59,975 134,980	\$554 4,113
	Total	\$190,288	\$194,955	\$4,667

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$87,111	\$64,979	\$22,132
Special Revenue		203,160	114,849	88,311
	Total	\$290,271	\$179,828	\$110,443

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

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 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 Township.

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

Township personnel 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.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2000 and 1999, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Township was given a temporary rollback rate to 8.13% for the last half of 2000. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2000.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Property;
- Liability;
- Wrongful acts;
- Automobile;
- Inland marine; and
- EDP.

The Township also provides major medical, drug and life insurance to four Township official and full time employee through Medical Mutual of Ohio.



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

Monterey Township Putnam County 25770 Road N25 Cloverdale, Ohio 45827-9228

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Monterey Township, Putnam County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated March 1, 2001. 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 the 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 no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted a certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated March 1, 2001.

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 March 1, 2001. Monterey Township Putnam 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 the Board of Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

March 1, 2001



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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 Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED MARCH 20, 2001