



Jim Petro Auditor of State

STATE OF OHIO

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Pleasant View Union Cemetery Fulton County P.O. Box 31 Fayette, Ohio 43521-0031

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Pleasant View Union Cemetery (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Cemetery's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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. 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 Cemetery 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 fund cash balance of the Cemetery as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and its 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 June 4, 2002 on our consideration of the Cemetery'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 management, 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

June 4, 2002

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

	General
Cash Receipts:	
Local Taxes	\$16,798
Intergovernmental	2,105
Foundations	4,005
Opening Fees	6,800
Sale of Lots	2,900
Interest	3,820
Miscellaneous	783
Total Cash Receipts	37,211
Cash Disbursements:	
Salaries and Benefits	19,400
Supplies	1,489
Repairs and Maintenance	9,657
Contract Labor	2,805
Utilities	1,511
Insurance	1,129
Workers' Compensation	961
Clerk Bond	70
Miscellaneous	250
Total Cash Disbursements	37,272
Total Cash Disbursements Over Cash Receipts	(61)
Cash Balance, January 1	72,034
Cash Balance, December 31	\$71,973

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

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	General
Cash Receipts:	
Local Taxes	\$16,354
Intergovernmental	2,038
Foundations	3,651
Opening Fees	5,750
Sale of Lots	2,600
Interest	3,452
Miscellaneous	764
Total Cash Receipts	34,609
Cash Disbursements:	
Salaries and Benefits	15,972
Supplies	2,502
Repairs and Maintenance	2,113
Contract Labor	1,715
Utilities	1,167
Insurance	1,151
Workers' Compensation	931
Clerk Bond	160
Miscellaneous Audit Expenses	334
Audit Expenses	1,723
Total Cash Disbursements	27,768
Total Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	6,841
Cash Balance, January 1	65,193
Cash Balance, December 31	\$72,034

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Pleasant View Union Cemetery (the Cemetery) 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 Cemetery is directed by an appointed three-member Board of Trustees. The Board is comprised of one member from the Gorham Township Trustees, one member from the Village of Fayette Council, and one at-large member appointed by the two previously named members. The Cemetery provides grounds maintenance, opening and closing of graves, and the sale of grave lots.

The Cemetery's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Cemetery 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.

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

C. Cash

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

D. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

E. Fund Accounting

The Cemetery uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The General fund is the Cemetery's only fund. It is used to account for all financial resources.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The Cemetery maintains a cash pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 follows:

	2001	2000
Demand deposits	\$15,793	\$15,893
Certificates of deposit	56,180	56,141
Total deposits	\$71,973	\$72,034

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

Deposits are either insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

3. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the Board. 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.

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 Cemetery.

4. **RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

The Cemetery's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The 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 2001 and 2000, PERS employee members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries through June 30, 2000. Commencing July 1, 2000, PERS temporarily reduced employer contributions to 8.13%. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2001.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Pleasant View Union Cemetery has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability; and
- Vehicles.



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

Pleasant View Union Cemetery Fulton County P.O. Box 31 Fayette, Ohio 43521-0031

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Pleasant View Union Cemetery (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated June 4, 2002. We conducted our audit in accordance with 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.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Cemetery'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 no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Cemetery in a separate letter dated June 4, 2002.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Cemetery'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 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. We did not note any matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Pleasant View Union Cemetery Fulton County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

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

June 4, 2002



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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 Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED JULY 2, 2002