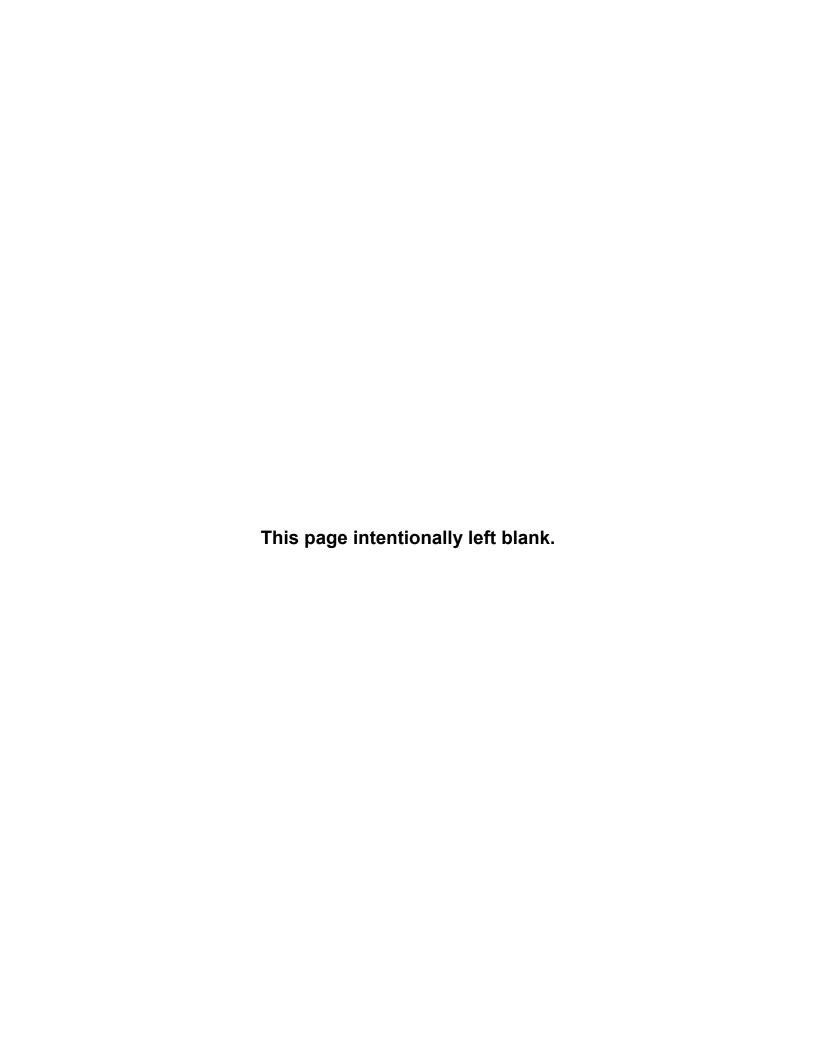




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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Trenton Township Delaware County 15495 Hartford Road Sunbury, Ohio 43074

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Trenton Township, Delaware County, Ohio (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and December 31, 2000. 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 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 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, 2001 and December 31, 2000, 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 July 10, 2002 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 management, finance committee, the Board 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

July 10, 2002

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

		Governmen	tal Fu	nd Types				
	Special General Revenue		Expendable Trust		Totals (Memorandum Only)			
Cash Receipts:								
Local Taxes	\$	107,803	\$	_	\$	_	\$	107,803
Intergovernmental	·	105,424	·	76,108	·	_	·	181,532
Licenses, Permits, and Fees		13,068		· -		_		13,068
Earnings on Investments		10,364		800		14		11,178
Other Receipts		5,095		5,500				10,595
Total Cash Receipts		241,754		82,408		14		324,176
Cash Disbursements:								
Current:								
General Government		101,041		-		-		101,041
Public Works		6,193		75,798		-		81,991
Health		25,324		350		16		25,690
Capital Outlay		46,525		358				46,883
Total Cash Disbursements		179,083		76,506		16		255,605
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		62,671		5,902		(2)		68,571
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		275,152		16,799		454		292,405
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	337,823	\$	22,701	\$	452	\$	360,976

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 AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	Governmental Fund Types		_				
		General	pecial evenue	•	endable rust		Totals morandum Only)
Cash Receipts:							
Local Taxes	\$	102,272	\$ -	\$	-	\$	102,272
Intergovernmental		151,417	76,248		-		227,665
Licenses, Permits, and Fees		16,715	-		-		16,715
Earnings on Investments		12,942	1,196		23		14,161
Other Receipts		14,690	 3,100			1	17,790
Total Cash Receipts		298,036	 80,544		23		378,603
Cash Disbursements:							
Current:							
General Government		92,548	-		-		92,548
Public Works		14,258	78,040		-		92,298
Health		15,784	-		20		15,804
Capital Outlay		159,968	 11,516				171,484
Total Cash Disbursements		282,558	 89,556		20		372,134
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		15,478	 (9,012)		3		6,469
Other Financing Receipts and (Disbursements):							
Advances-In		874	-		-		874
Advances-Out		-	(874)		-		(874)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)		874	 (874)				
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing							
Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements		40.050	(0.000)		0		0.400
and Other Financing Disbursements		16,352	(9,886)		3		6,469
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		258,800	 26,685		451		285,936
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	275,152	\$ 16,799	\$	454	\$	292,405

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

Trenton Township, Delaware 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 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 Township maintains its cash in a depository account. Repurchase agreements 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, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

2. Special Revenue Funds (Continued)

Motor Vehicle License – This fund receives vehicle registration tax money

Gasoline Tax Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax money to construct, maintain and repair Township roads.

3. Fiduciary Funds (Trust Fund)

This fund is used to account for resources restricted by a legally binding trust agreement. The Township had the following significant fiduciary fund:

Cemetery Bequest Fund - Interest derived from the corpus of this fund is used for cemetery upkeep.

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 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 carried over and need not be re-appropriated.

A summary of 2001 and 2000 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, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

G. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the Township's basis of accounting.

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:

	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>
Demand deposits	\$ 976	\$ <u>2,405</u>
Total Deposits	976	2,405
Repurchase Agreement	3 <u>60,000</u>	290,000
Total investments	<u>360,000</u>	<u>290,000</u>
Total deposits and investments	\$ 360,976	\$ 292,405

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

Investments: The Township's financial institution transfers securities to the Township's agent to collateralize repurchase agreements. The securities are not in the Township's name.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2001 and 2000 follows:

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$208,650	\$241,754	\$33,104
Special Revenue	71,368	82,408	11,040
Expendable Trust	16	14	(2)
Total	\$280,034	\$324,176	\$44,142

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

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Budgeted	Actual	_
Fund Type	expenditures	expenditures	Variance
General	\$483,802	\$179,083	\$304,719
Special Revenue	88,167	76,506	11,661
Expendable Trust	470	16	454
Total	\$572,439	\$255,605	\$316,834

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

Budgeted	Actual	_
Receipts	Receipts	Variance
\$173,497	\$298,036	\$124,539
71,388	80,544	9,156
16	23	7
\$244,901	\$378,603	\$133,702
	Receipts \$173,497 71,388 16	Receipts Receipts \$173,497 \$298,036 71,388 80,544 16 23

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Budgeted	Actual	
Expenditures	Expenditures	Variance
\$432,298	\$282,558	\$149,740
98,073	89,556	8,517
467	20	447
\$530,838	\$372,134	\$158,704
	Expenditures \$432,298 98,073 467	Expenditures Expenditures \$432,298 \$282,558 98,073 89,556 467 20

4. PROPERTY TAX

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

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

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 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, members of PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for 2001 and from January 1, 2000 through June 30, 2000. PERS temporarily reduced the employer contribution rate to 8.13%, effective July 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2001

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Commercial Insurance

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Kevin Justice, a Township Trustee is the owner of Kevin Justice Trucking. The Township reimbursed Mr. Justice for the purchase of materials obtained through his negotiated pricing with National Lime and Stone Company. The Township reimbursed Mr. Justice \$5,702. and \$1,119 for such materials during 2001 and 2000 respectively.

Kevin Justice Trucking, was paid for hauling services during 2001 and 2000. The Township paid the company \$6,755 for 2001 and \$824 for 2000.

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Trenton Township Delaware County 15495 Hartford Road Sunbury, Ohio 43074

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Trenton Township, Delaware County, Ohio (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and December 31, 2000 and have issued our report thereon dated July 10, 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 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 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*. We noted an immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated July 12, 2002

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, 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 other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated July 10, 2002.

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

July 10, 2002



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TRENTON TOWNSHIP

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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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED AUGUST 15, 2002