REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000



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STATE OF OHIO

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Village of Harrod Allen County P.O. Box 129 Harrod, Ohio 45850

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Harrod, Allen County, (the Village), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and December 31, 2000. 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 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 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 of the Village 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 February 12, 2002, 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. 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, 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

February 12, 2002

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

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:				
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$19,012		\$19,012	
Intergovernmental Receipts	33,138	\$18,142	51,280	
Charges for Services		210	210	
Fines, Licenses, and Permits	170		170	
Earnings on Investments	6,508	2,896	9,404	
Miscellaneous	3,697	1,105	4,802	
Total Cash Receipts	62,525	22,353	84,878	
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
Security of Persons and Property	3,556		3,556	
Public Health Services	374	900	1,274	
Leisure Time Activities	2,164		2,164	
Basic Utility Services	864		864	
Transportation	9,626	9,803	19,429	
General Government	20,533		20,533	
Capital Outlay	2,107		2,107	
Total Cash Disbursements	39,224	10,703	49,927	
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	23,301	11,650	34,951_	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	89,160	67,427	156,587	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$112,461	\$79,077	\$191,538	

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

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services	\$58,163
Operating Cash Disbursements: Personal Services Fringe Benefits Contractual Services Supplies and Materials Capital Outlay Miscellaneous Total Operating Cash Disbursements Operating Income/(Loss)	9,460 2,349 34,184 1,909 9,900 369 58,171 (8)
Net Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(8)
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	55,813_
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$55,805

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

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	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$19,104		\$19,104
Intergovernmental Receipts	26,586	\$24,159	50,745
Charges for Services		540	540
Fines, Licenses, and Permits	30		30
Earnings on Investments	8,260	3,576	11,836
Miscellaneous	1,114_	1,000	2,114_
Total Cash Receipts	55,094	29,275	84,369
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
Security of Persons and Property	8,451		8,451
Public Health Services	756	4 0 0 0	756
Leisure Time Activities	438	1,800	2,238
Community Environment	7 0 2 9	900	900
Transportation General Government	7,938 24,327	13,263	21,201 24,327
	5,210		5,210
Capital Outlay			
Total Cash Disbursements	47,120	15,963	63,083
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	7,974	13,312	21,286_
Fund Cash Balances January 1	81,186	54,115	135,301
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$89,160	\$67,427	\$156,587

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

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services	\$60,702
Operating Cash Disbursements:	
Personal Services	9,447
Fringe Benefits	1,702
Contractual Services	20,797
Supplies and Materials	1,934
Capital Outlay	9,128
Miscellaneous	300_
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	43,308
Operating Income/(Loss)	17,394
Net Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	17,394
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	38,419
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$55,813

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Village of Harrod, Allen 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, sewer utilities and park operations (leisure time activities). During 2000, the Village provided police services, however, the police department was suspended in January 2001, due to financial reasons. Auglaize Township provides fire and emergency services to the Village.

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. 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 that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

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

3. Enterprise Funds

These funds account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises where management intends that the significant costs of providing certain goods or services will be recovered through user charges.

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

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The Village had the following significant Enterprise Fund:

Sewer Fund - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover the cost of providing this utility.

D. 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. 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 Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled, and are reappropriated the following year.

A summary of 2001 and 2000 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

E. 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

The Village maintains a cash 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:

	 2001	 2000
Demand deposits	\$ 247,343	\$ 212,400

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

(Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 2001 and 2000 follows:

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
Fund Type		Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue Enterprise		\$62,013 2,000 20,000	\$62,525 22,353 58,163	\$512 20,353 38,163
	Total	\$84,013	\$143,041	\$59,028

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type		Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue Enterprise		\$151,174 69,127 74,463	\$39,224 10,703 58,171	\$111,950 58,424 16,292
	Total	\$294,764	\$108,098	\$186,666

	2000 Buo	dgeted vs. Actua	I Receipts	
Fund Type		Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue Enterprise		\$50,167 20,800 65,000	\$55,094 29,275 60,702	\$4,927 8,475 (4,298)
	Total	\$135,967	\$145,071	\$9,104

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgeta	ry Basis Expenditures	
Appropriation	Budgetary	

Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$107,700	\$47,120	\$60,580
Special Revenue		75,715	15,963	59,752
Enterprise		102,069	43,308	58,761
	Total	\$285,484	\$106,391	\$179,093

PROPERTY TAX 4.

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.

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

4. **PROPERTY TAX (Continued)**

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.

5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

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

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by a State Retirement System have an option to choose Social Security or the appropriate State Retirement System. As of December 31, 2001, one official had elected Social Security. The District's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk Pool Membership

The Village belongs to the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the "Plan"), an unincorporated non-profit association with over 600 governmental entity members providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is deemed a separate legal entity. The Plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages, modified for each member's needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the member's deductible.

The Plan uses conventional insurance coverages and reinsures these coverages 100 percent, rather than using a risk pool of member funds to pay individual and collective losses. Therefore, the individual members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts which vary from member to member.



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

Village of Harrod Allen County P.O. Box 129 Harrod, Ohio 45850

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Harrod, Allen County, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and December 31, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated February 12, 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 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 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 Village in a separate letter dated February 12, 2002.

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 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 Village in a separate letter dated February 12, 2002.

Village of Harrod Allen County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

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Jim Petro Auditor of State

February 12, 2002



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ALLEN 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 Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED MARCH 12, 2002