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VILLAGE OF ROSWELL TUSCARAWAS COUNTY

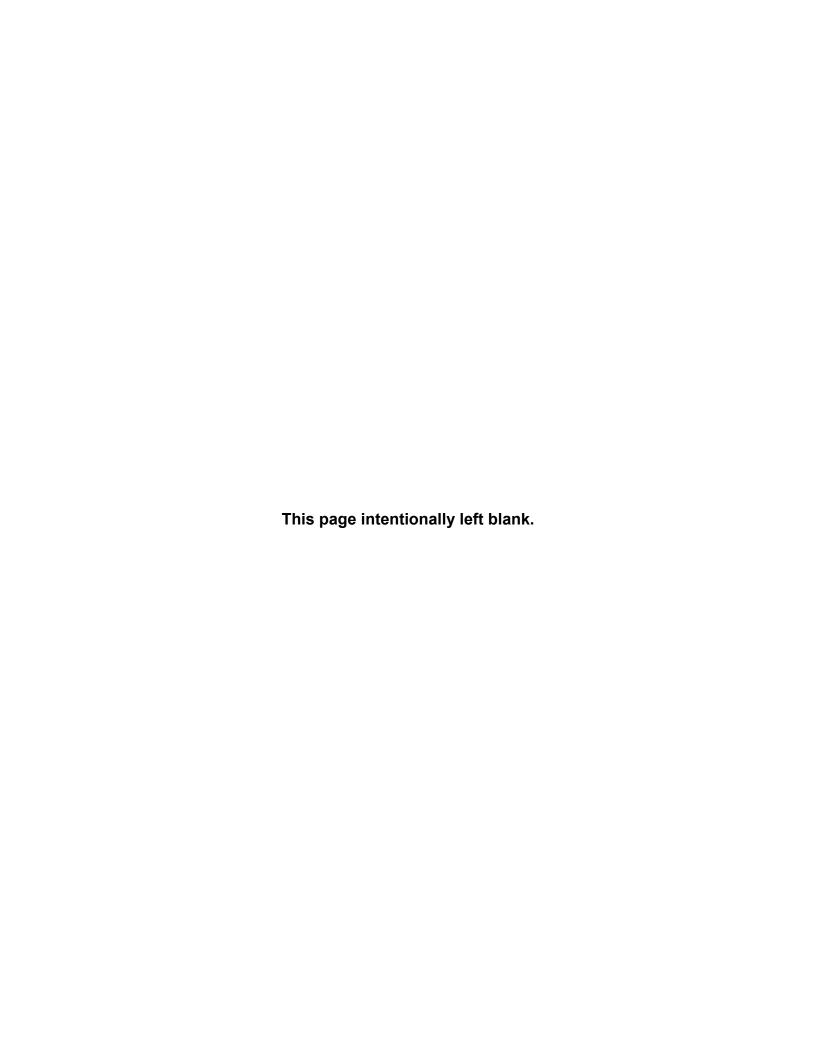
REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001-2000



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Village of Roswell Tuscarawas County 5198 Main Street N.E. New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Roswell, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 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 audits.

We conducted our audits 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 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 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, 2001 and 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 May 29, 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 audits.

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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

May 29, 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

	Governmenta	_	
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$31,973	\$6,842	\$38,815
Intergovernmental Receipts	5,426	7,677	13,103
Charges for Services	500		500
Fines, Licenses, and Permits	615		615
Earnings on Investments	364		364
Miscellaneous	2,081		2,081
Grants and Contributions	31,435		31,435
Total Cash Receipts	72,394	14,519	86,913
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:	0.005		0.005
Security of Persons and Property	9,865		9,865
Public Health Services Leisure Time Activities	140 32,496		140 32,496
Community Environment	32,490 26		32,490 26
Basic Utility Services	2,461	4,681	7,142
Transportation	2,401	7,047	7,142
General Government	16,782	175	16,957
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Total Cash Disbursements	61,770	11,903	73,673
Total Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	10,624	2,616	13,240
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	11,159	5,815	16,974
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$21,783	\$8,431	\$30,214
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$0	\$2,357	\$2,357

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, 2000

	Governmenta	<u>-</u>	
	<u>General</u>	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Property Tax and Other Local Taxes Intergovernmental Receipts Charges for Services Fines, Licenses, and Permits Miscellaneous	\$33,709 3,725 350 823 1,254	\$6,178 7,750	\$39,887 11,475 350 823 1,254
Total Cash Receipts	39,861	13,928	53,789
Cash Disbursements: Current: Security of Persons and Property Public Health Services Leisure Time Activities Basic Utility Services Transportation General Government Debt Service: Principal Payments Interest Payments	9,590 188 4,945 4,156 8,444 18,530 3,000 73	4,000 3,385 5,582 155	13,590 188 4,945 7,541 14,026 18,685 3,000 73
Total Cash Disbursements	48,926	13,122	62,048
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(9,065)	806	(8,259)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	20,224	5,009	25,233
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$11,159	\$5,815	\$16,974
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	\$0

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 - ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001 and 2000

	Enter	orise
	2001	2000
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services	\$50	\$1,100
Operating Cash Disbursements: Capital Outlay	103,280	
Operating Income/(Loss)	(103,230)	1,100
Non-Operating Cash Receipts: Intergovernmental Receipts Proceeds from Notes and Bonds	16,072 89,683	2,475
Total Non-Operating Cash Receipts	105,755	2,475
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements: Debt Service	2,475	2,475
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	50	1,100
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	4,750	3,650
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$4,800	\$4,750
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	<u> </u>	\$0

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Village of Roswell, Tuscarawas 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, including park operations and police service. The Village contracts with the Village of Sherrodsville to provide fire protection services.

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

All funds of the Village are held in an interest bearing checking account. The Village has no investments.

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 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 Village has 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.

Fire Levy Fund -This fund receives tax monies to fund fire protection.

Refuse Levy Fund – This fund receives tax monies to fund refuse collection services.

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

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

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. The Village has the following Enterprise Funds:

Water Loan Fund - This fund receives monies from the County to pay off an OWDA Loan that was issued to the Village for a water study for constructing water lines throughout the Village.

Water Fund – This fund receives charges for services from customers to cover the cost of providing water service, which is currently in the developmental stage.

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 level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Council must annually approve the appropriation measure 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 encumber all commitments required by Ohio law. The budgetary presentations have been adjusted to include material items that should have been encumbered.

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

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

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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 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:

	2001	2000
Demand deposits	\$35,014	\$21,724

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

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

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

	2001	Budgeted	vs. A	ctual F	Receir	ots
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Budgeted Actual				
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance	
General	\$68,795	\$72,394	\$3,599	
Special Revenue	15,250	14,519	(731)	
Enterprise	92,158	105,805	13,647	
Total	\$176,203	\$192,718	\$16,515	

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Appropriation	Budgetary	_
Authority	Expenditures	Variance
\$80,004	\$61,770	\$18,234
21,065	14,260	6,805
96,908	105,755	(8,847)
\$197,977	\$181,785	\$16,192
	Authority \$80,004 21,065 96,908	Authority Expenditures \$80,004 \$61,770 21,065 14,260 96,908 105,755

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$38,513	\$39,861	\$1,348
Special Revenue	13,700	13,928	228
Enterprise	2,475	3,575	1,100
Total	\$54,688	\$57,364	\$2,676

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

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$58,787	\$48,926	\$9,861
Special Revenue	18,708	13,122	5,586
Enterprise	6,125	2,475	3,650
Total	\$83,620	\$64,523	\$19,097

Contrary to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(B), expenditures exceeded appropriations by \$13,597 in the Water Loan Fund at December 31, 2001.

Contrary to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D), the Village did not certify the availability of funds for the majority of its expenditures, prior to making the obligations of the Village.

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 payments, 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 Village.

5. LOCAL INCOME TAX

The Village levies a municipal income tax of 1 percent on substantially all earned income arising from employment, residency, or business activities within the Village as well as certain income of residents earned outside of the Village.

Employers within the Village withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit the tax to the Village quarterly, as required. Corporations and other individual taxpayers pay estimated taxes quarterly and file a declaration annually.

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

6. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2001 was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan # 2858	\$14,850	0.00%
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan # 3514	89,683	5.74%
Total	\$104,533	

Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) Loan #2858 relates to a water study project for possible placement of water lines within the Village's corporate limits. The Village was approved for and borrowed \$24,750 for the water study project. The loan will be repaid in annual installments of \$2,475, over 10 years. The loan was assumed by the County and the County reimburses the Village for the payment that they make each year.

Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) Loan #3514 relates to a water tank and water line construction project. The OWDA has approved up to \$158,205 in loans to the Village for this project. The Village will not be billed for this loan until it is completely drawn upon and repayment terms will be agreed upon at that time. The loan is collateralized by water receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OWDA debt service requirements.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

	OWDA Loan #2858
Year ending December 31:	
2002	\$2,475
2003	2,475
2004	2,475
2005	2,475
2006	2,475
2007-2011	2,475
Total	\$14,850

7. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Village'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, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their wages. The Village 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 Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2001.

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

8. **RISK MANAGEMENT**

Commercial Insurance

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

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



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

Village of Roswell Tuscarawas County 5198 Main Street N.E. New Philadelphia, Ohio 44622

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Roswell (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated May 29, 2002. We conducted our audits 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 audits and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items 2001-31279-001 and 2001-31279-002.

We also noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Village in a separate letter dated May 29, 2002.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits, 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 May 29, 2002.

Village of Roswell Tuscarawas 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 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

May 29, 2002

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2001-31279-001

Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B) requires that no subdivision or taxing unit is to expend money unless it has been appropriated.

At December 31, 2001, fund level expenditures exceeded appropriations in the Water Loan Fund by \$13,597, or 15% of total appropriations. The Clerk/Treasurer should frequently compare actual expenditures plus outstanding encumbrances to appropriations at the object level to avoid overspending.

FINDING NUMBER 2001-31279-002

Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) requires that no subdivision or taxing unit make any contract or order any expenditure of money unless there is attached thereto a certificate of the fiscal officer of the subdivision that the amount required to meet the same has been lawfully appropriated for such purpose and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances. Every such contract made without such certificate shall be null and void and no warrant shall be issued in payment of any amount due thereon.

This section also provides for two "exceptions" to the above requirements:

- a. Then and Now Certificates If no certificate is furnished as required, upon receipt of the fiscal officer's certificate that a sufficient sum was, both at the time of the contract or order and at the time of the certificate, appropriated and free of any previous encumbrances, Village Council may authorize the issuance of a warrant in payment of the amount due upon such contract or order by resolution within 30 days from the receipt of such certificate, if such expenditure is otherwise valid
- b. If the amount involved is less than \$1,000, the Clerk/Treasurer may authorize payment through a Then and Now Certificate without affirmation of Village Council, if such expenditure is otherwise valid

During 2001 and 2000, 18 out of 20 expenditures tested (90%) were not certified by the Clerk/Treasurer as to the availability of funds prior to incurring the obligation. It was also found that neither of the two exceptions above were utilized for the items found to be in non-compliance. The Village should certify the availability of funds prior to incurring the obligation for expenditures. The Village should also implement the use of Then and Now certificates and Blanket Certificates as further permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41.



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VILLAGE OF ROSWELL

TUSCARAWAS 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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 5, 2002