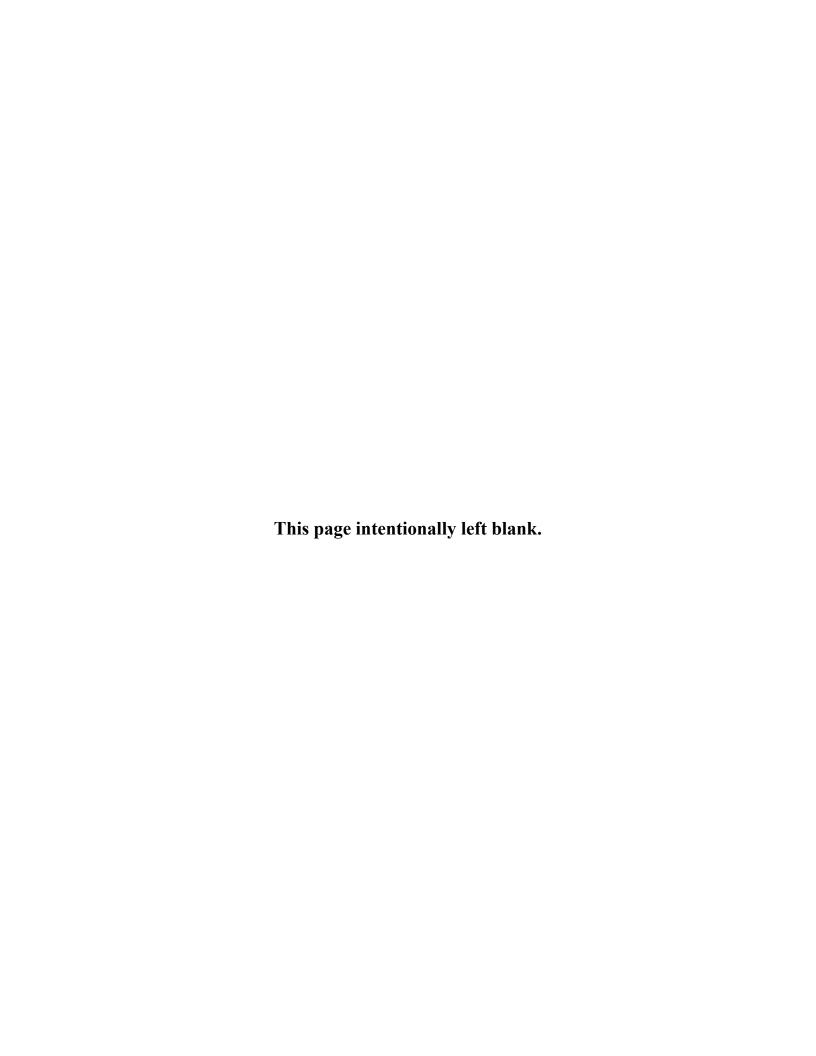




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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Village of Jenera Hancock County 103 S. Main Street, P.O. Box 57 Jenera. Ohio 45841-0057

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Jenera, Hancock County, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. 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, 2003 and 2002, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 30, 2004 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.

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

Betty Montgomery

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Auditor of State

March 30, 2004

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	Governmental Fund Types				_	
		General	Special Revenue		Totals (Memorand Only)	
Cash Receipts						
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$	8,488	\$	-	\$	8,488
Special Assessments		-		4,330		4,330
Intergovernmental Receipts		55,659		17,352		73,011
Charges for Services		5,670		22,315		27,985
Earnings on Investments		1,581		301		1,882
Miscellaneous		1,945		60		2,005
Total Cash Receipts		73,343		44,358		117,701
Cash Disbursements Current:						
Security of Persons and Property		9,499		11,739		21,238
Public Health Services		929		-		929
Leisure Time Activities		20,417		-		20,417
Community Environment		4,956		-		4,956
Basic Utility Services		9,601		3,337		12,938
Transportation		1,778		3,207		4,985
General Government		28,836		_		28,836
Capital Outlay				16,211		16,211
Total Cash Disbursements		76,016		34,494		110,510
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		(2,673)		9,864		7,191
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		106,605		44,192		150,797
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	103,932	\$	54,056	\$	157,988

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL PROPRIETARY AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	Proprietary Fund Type		Fiduciary Fund Type			
	Enterprise		Nonexpendable Trust		(Mei	Totals norandum Only)
Operating Cash Receipts Charges for Services Earnings on Investments Miscellaneous	\$	21,936 - 764	\$	33	\$	21,936 33 764
Total Operating Cash Receipts		22,700		33		22,733
Operating Cash Disbursements Personal Services Contractual Services Supplies and Materials Capital Outlay		1,300 6,531 351 3,000		280		1,300 6,531 351 3,280
Total Operating Cash Disbursements		11,182		280		11,462
Operating Income/(Loss)		11,518		(247)		11,271
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements Debt Service		2,500				2,500
Net Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		9,018		(247)		8,771
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		75,487		2,540		78,027
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	84,505	\$	2,293	\$	86,798

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	Governmental Fund Types				_	
	(General	Special Revenue		(Me	Totals morandum Only)
Cash Receipts						
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$	8,456	\$	-	\$	8,456
Special Assessments		-		4,313		4,313
Intergovernmental Receipts		67,512		8,438		75,950
Charges for Services		6,190		15,690		21,880
Earnings on Investments		2,163		412		2,575
Miscellaneous		3,451		1,121		4,572
Total Cash Receipts		87,772		29,974		117,746
Cash Disbursements Current:						
Security of Persons and Property		5,361		12,992		18,353
Public Health Services		726				726
Leisure Time Activities		9,265				9,265
Community Environment		6,696				6,696
Basic Utility Services		10,248		3,335		13,583
Transportation				2,038		2,038
General Government		32,525				32,525
Capital Outlay		26,093		9,559		35,652
Total Cash Disbursements		90,914		27,924		118,838
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		(3,142)		2,050		(1,092)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		109,747		42,142		151,889
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	106,605	\$	44,192	\$	150,797

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL PROPRIETARY AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	Proprietary Fund Type		Fiduciary Fund Type			
On another Cook Baseinte	Enterprise		Nonexpendable Trust		(Mei	Totals morandum Only)
Operating Cash Receipts Charges for Services Earnings on Investments Miscellaneous	\$	22,217 - 857	\$	54	\$	22,217 54 857
Total Operating Cash Receipts		23,074		54		23,128
Operating Cash Disbursements Personal Services Contractual Services Supplies and Materials		1,300 250 211		- - -		1,300 250 211
Total Operating Cash Disbursements		1,761				1,761
Operating Income		21,313		54		21,367
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements Debt Service		2,500				2,500
Net Receipts Over Disbursements		18,813		54		18,867
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		56,674		2,486		59,160
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	75,487	\$	2,540	\$	78,027

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Village of Jenera, Hancock 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 government services, park operations, and fire protection

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 and Investments

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.

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

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:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

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 (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

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

<u>Fire Fund</u> - This fund receives predetermined contract amounts for services provided to Eagle, Orange, and Van Buren Townships.

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 had the following significant Enterprise Fund:

<u>Sewer Construction Fund</u> - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover the cost of the installation of a planned sewer system.

4. Fiduciary Funds (Trust Fund)

Trust funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements. If the agreement requires the Village to maintain the corpus of the trust, the fund is classified as a nonexpendable trust fund. Other trust funds are classified as expendable. The Village had the following significant fiduciary fund:

<u>Levi Vermillion Memorial Fund</u> – This fund receives proceeds from the interest earned on the principal amount to be used for the Main Street and Town Hall.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

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 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 reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2003 and 2002 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

The Village maintains a cash pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 was as follows:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

	2003	2002
Demand deposits	\$ 241,514	\$ 225,585
Certificates of deposit	3,272	 3,239
Total deposits	\$ 244,786	\$ 228,824

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

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2003 and 2002 follows:

2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

		udgeted		Actual		
Fund Type	Receipts Receipts				Va	ariance
General	\$	67,773	\$	73,343	\$	5,570
Special Revenue		41,500		44,358		2,858
Enterprise		22,000		22,700		700
Fiduciary		60		33		(27)
Total	\$	131,333	\$	140,434	\$	9,101

2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation Budgetary									
Fund Type	Authority		Authority		Authori		Expenditures		7	/ariance
General	\$	173,200	\$	76,016	\$	97,184				
Special Revenue		84,200		34,494		49,706				
Enterprise		96,000		13,682		82,318				
Fiduciary		600		280		320				
Total	\$	354,000	\$	124,472	\$	229,528				

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	В	udgeted	Actual			
Fund Type	F	Receipts		Receipts	V	ariance
General	\$	71,813	\$	87,772	\$	15,959
Special Revenue		27,500		29,974		2,474
Enterprise		22,000		23,074		1,074
Fiduciary		60		54		(6)
Total	\$	121,373	\$	140,874	\$	19,501

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	App	propriation	Budgetary								
Fund Type	Authority		Authority		Authority		Authority		Expenditures		 Variance
General	\$	179,650	\$	90,914	\$ 88,736						
Special Revenue		69,000		27,924	41,076						
Enterprise		78,000		4,261	73,739						
Fiduciary		2,540			 2,540						
Total	\$	329,190	\$	123,099	\$ 206,091						

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.

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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Village.

5. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2003 was as follows:

	Pri	ncipal	Interest Rate
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan	\$	5,000	

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loan relates to a sewer plant expansion project that was mandated by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. The OWDA has approved up to \$25,000 in loans to the Village for this project. The loans will be repaid in annual installments of \$2,500, at an interest rate of 0 percent, over 10 years. The scheduled payment amount below assumes nothing additional will be borrowed. The loan is collateralized by sewer 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:

Year ending December 31:	OWDA Loan		
2004	\$	2,500	
2005		2,500	
Total	\$	5,000	

6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Village's official's and employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS 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 2003 and 2002, members of OPERS contributed 8.5 percent of their wages. The Village contributed an amount equal to 13.55 percent of participants' gross salaries for 2003 2002. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2003.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk Pool Membership

The Village belongs to the Public Entities Pool of Ohio (PEP), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio local governments. PEP provides property and casualty insurance for its members. PEP is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP). Member governments pay annual contributions to fund PEP. PEP pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

Casualty Coverage

PEP retains casualty risks up to \$250,000 per claim, including loss adjustment expenses. Claims exceeding \$250,000 are reinsured with APEEP up to \$1,750,000 per claim and \$5,000,000 in the aggregate per year. Governments can elect additional coverage, from \$2,000,000 to \$10,000,000, from the General Reinsurance Corporation.

If losses exhaust PEP's retained earnings, APEEP covers PEP losses up to \$5,000,000 per year, subject to a per-claim limit of \$2,000,000.

Property Coverage

PEP retains property risks, including automobile physical damage, up to \$10,000 on any specific loss with an annual aggregate of \$700,000 for 2001 and \$1,250,000 for 2002. The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsures losses exceeding \$10,000 if the annual aggregate is reached and all specific losses exceeding \$100,000. APEEP's Operating Fund and Guarantee Fund pay for losses and loss adjustment expenses should they exceed operating contributions.

The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreements do not discharge PEP's primary liability for claims payments on covered losses. Claims exceeding coverage limits are the obligation of the respective government.

Financial Position

PEP's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2002 and 2001 (the latest information available):

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

Casualty Coverage	2002	 2001
Assets	\$ 20,174,977	\$ 19,358,458
Liabilities	8,550,749	 8,827,588
Retained Earnings	\$ 11,624,228	\$ 10,530,870
Property Coverage	 2002	 2001
Assets	\$ 2,565,408	\$ 1,890,323
Liabilities	655,318	469,100
Retained Earnings	\$ 1,910,090	\$ 1,421,223



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

Village of Jenera Hancock County 103 S. Main Street, P.O. Box 57 Jenera, Ohio 45841-0057

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Jenera, Hancock County, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated March 30, 2004. 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 March 30, 2004.

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

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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 March 30, 2004.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and Village Council, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

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March 30, 2004



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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 APRIL 27, 2004