Village of Amesville Athens County

Regular Audit

For the Years Ended December 31, 2004 - 2003



Auditor of State Betty Montgomery

Board of Trustees Village of Amesville PO Box 190 Amesville, Ohio 45711

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report* of the Village of Amesville, Athens County, prepared by Knox & Knox for the audit period January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2004. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State's Office (AOS). Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Accountants' Report* on your financial statements. While the AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Independent Accountants' Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the AOS permits.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Village of Amesville is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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July 22, 2005

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Accountants and Consultants

Independent Accountants' Report

Village of Amesville Athens County PO Box 190 Amesville, OH 45711-0190

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Amesville, Athens County, Ohio, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003. 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, if any, 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 described more fully in Note 1, the Village has prepared its financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, we presume they are material.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Village of Amesville's combined funds as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and their changes in financial position.

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Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Village of Amesville, Athens County, as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, 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 June 27, 2005, on our consideration of the Village of Amesville's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audits.

Knox & Knox

Orrville, Ohio June 27, 2005

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

_	Governm	ental Fund Types	
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Property Tax and Other Other Local Taxes Intergovemmental Receipts Fines, License, and Permits	\$12,923 4,637 1,757	\$ 8,946 33,654	\$ 21,869 38,291 1,757
Earnings on Investments Miscellaneous	902 <u>1,848</u>	132 <u>1,721</u>	1,034 3,569
Total Cash Receipts	22,067	44,453	66,520
Cash Disbursements: Current: Security of Persons and			
Property Public Health Services Leisure Time Activities Community Environment	6,889 309	5,207 36,029 4,526 2,620	12,096 309 36,029 4,526 2,630
Transportation General Governm ent	18,440	2,639	2,639 <u>18,440</u>
Total Cash Disbursements	25,638	48,401	74,039
Total Cash Receipts Over/ (Under) Cash Disbursements	<u><3,571</u> >	<u>< 3,948</u> >	<u>< 7,519</u> >
Other Financing Receipts and (Disbursements): Transfers-In Transfers-Out	<u><1,131</u> >	1,131	1,131 <u>< 1,131</u> >
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disburse- ments)	<1,131>	1,131	
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Dis- bursements and Other			
Financing Disbursements	< 4,702>	< 2,817>	< 7,519>
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	16,782	36,428	53,210
Fund Cash Balances, December 31 <u>\$</u>	12,080	<u>\$33,611</u>	<u>\$ 45,691</u>

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - PROPRIETARY AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

	Proprietary Fund Types	Fiduciary <u>Fund Type</u>	
			Totals (Memorandum
	Enterprise	Agency	Only)
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services	<u>\$ 25,339</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ 25,339
Total Operating Cash			
Receipts	25,339	-0-	25,339
Operating Cash Disbursements:			
Personal Services	10,201		10,201
Fringe Benefits	1,716		1,716
Contractual Services	7,582		7,582
Supplies and Materials	8,645		8,645
Miscellaneous	239		239
Total Operating Cash Dis-			
bursements	<u>28,383</u>	-0-	28,383
Operating Income/(Loss)	< <u>3,044</u> >		< 3,044>
Non-Operating Cash Receipts:			
Other Financing Sources		1,840	1,840
Total Non-Operating Cash			
Receipts		1,840	1,840
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements	5		
Other Non-Operating Cash			
Disbursements		1,840	1,840
Total Non-Operating Cash			
Disbursements	-0-	1,840	1,840
			<u>.</u>
Net Receipts Over/(Under)			
Disburs ements	<u>< 3,044</u> >		< 3,044>
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	50,907	-0-	50,907
Fund Cash Balances			
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 17 863	\$-0-	\$ 17 962
December 31	<u>\$ 47,863</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 47,863</u>

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

-	G	ypes		
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:				
Property Tax and Other				
Other Local Taxes	\$ 16,534	\$ 8,334	\$	\$ 24,868
Intergovemmental Receipts	4,491	9,804	18,134	32,429
Fines, License, and Permits	1,645	100		1,645
Earnings on Investments	1,482	182	7 200	1,664
Miscellaneous	5,104	4,756	7,300	17,160
Total Cash Receipts	29,256	23,076	25,434	77,766
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
Security of Persons and	0.040	1 000		10.010
Property Public Health Services	9,010 1,000	4,938		13,948 1,000
Leisure Time Activities	1,000	12,444		12,444
Community Environment		4,525		4,525
Transportation		10,648		10,648
General Government	22,975	11,672		34,647
Capita I Outla y			25,434	25,434
Total Cash Disbursements	32,985	44,227	25,434	102,646
Total Cash Receipts Over/ (Under)				
Cash Disbursements	<u><3,729</u> >	<u>< 21,151 ></u>	-0-	<u><24,880</u> >
Other Financing Receipts and				
(Disbursements): Transfers-In		1,426		1,426
Transfers-Out	<1,426>	1,420		< 1,426>
Transfers-Out	<u> 1,420</u> 2			
Total Other Financing				
Receipts/(Disburse-				
ments)	<u><1,426</u> >	1,426	-0 -	-0-
Excess of Cash Receipts and				
Other Financing				
Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Dis-				
bursements and Other				
Financing Disbursements	< 5,155>	<19,725>	-0-	< 24,880>
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	21,937	<u>56,153</u>	-0-	78,090
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Fund Cash Balances,				
	16,782	\$36,428	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$53,210</u>

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

	Proprietary Fund Types	Fiduciary <u>Fund Type</u>	
			Totals (Memorandum
On another Ocale Desciptor	Enterprise	Agen cy	Only)
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services	\$ 24,404	\$	\$ 24,404
Total Operating Cash Receipts	_24,404	-0	24,404
Operating Cash Disbursements:			
Personal Services	9,304		9,304
Fringe Benefits	1,597		1,597
Contractual Services Supplies and Materials	9,254 3,427		9,254 3,427
Miscellaneous	795		<u>795</u>
Miscellaneous			
Total Operating Cash Dis-			
bursements	24,377		24,377
Operating Income/(Loss)	27	-0-	27
Non-Operating Cash Receipts:			
Other Financing Sources	204	2,385	2,589
Total Non-Operating Cash Receipts	204	2,385	2,589
Recepts		2,000	2,000
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements	S:		
Other Non-Operating Cash			
Disbursements	-0-	2,576	2,576
Total Non-Operating Cash	_		
Disbursements		2,576	2,576
Not Dessints Over/(Linder)			
Net Receipts Over/(Under) Disburs ements	231	< 191>	40
Disbuisements			40
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	50,676	191	50,867
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Fund Cash Balances,			
December 31	<u>\$ 50,907</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 50,907</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 and 2003

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

A. <u>Description of the Entity</u>

Village of Amesville, Athens 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 and Mayor and an appointed Chief Fiscal Officer. The Village provides police services, maintenance of Village streets and highways, and water utility 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. <u>Cash and Investments</u>

Investments are included in the cash fund balances. 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:

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 a another fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 and 2003

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)</u>

D. Fund Accounting (continued)

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 had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

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

3. Capital Project Funds

These funds are used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects (except those financed through enterprise funds). The Village had the following significant capital project funds:

Capital Project Fund - This fund receives grant and other monies. The proceeds are being used to construct a new municipal building.

4. 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:

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

5. Fiduciary Fund (Agency Fund)

This fund accounts for activity for which the Village is acting in an agency capacity. The Village had the following significant Agency Fund:

Mayor's Court Fund - This fund accounts for the financial activity of the Mayor's Court.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 and 2003

E. <u>Budgetary Process</u>

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain agency funds) be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of, 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 cancelled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2004 and 2003 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

- F. <u>Property, Plant and Equipment</u> 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:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 and 2003

2. Equity in Pooled Cash (continued)

	2004	2003
Demand deposits	\$ 60,554	\$ 61,117
Certificates of deposit	33,000	43,000
Total deposits	<u>\$ 93,554</u>	<u>\$104,117</u>

Deposits: Deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, or (2) collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

3. <u>Budgetary Activity</u>

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 follows:

2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts						
Budgeted Actual						
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance			
General	\$ 25,723	\$ 22,067	< \$3,656>			
Capital Projects	44,364	45,584	1,220			
Fiduciary	22,880	25,339	2,459			
Total	<u>\$ 92,967</u>	<u>\$ 92,990</u>	<u>\$23</u>			
2004 Budgete	d vs. Actual Budg	etary Basis Expend	litures			
•	Appropriation	Budgetary				
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance			
General	\$ 38,647	\$ 26,769	\$ 11,878			
Special Revenue	60,593	48,401	12,192			
Fiduciary	<u>35,950</u>	28,383	7,567			
Total	<u>\$ 135,190</u>	<u>\$ 103,553</u>	<u>\$ 31,637</u>			
	2003 Budgeted vs	s. Actual Receipts				
	Budgeted	Actual				
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance			
General	\$ 35,038	\$ 29,256	<\$ 5,782>			
Special Revenue	27,818	24,502	< 3,316>			
Capital Projects	25,434	25,434	-0-			
Enterprise	22,880	24,608	1,728			
Total	<u>\$ 111,170</u>	<u>\$ 103,800</u>	< <u>\$ 7,370</u> >			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 and 2003

2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures							
-			dgetary				
Fund Type	A	<u>uthority</u>	_	Exp	enditures	\	/ariance
General	\$	49,940		\$	34,411	\$	15,529
Special Revenue		67,573			44,227		23,346
Capital Projects		25,434			25,434		-0-
Fiduciary		<u>32,450</u>			24,377		<u>8,073</u>
Total	\$	<u>175,397</u>		\$	128,449	<u>\$</u>	46,948

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 for 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 owner, 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. <u>Retirement Systems</u>

The Village's employees, as well as the Village Council, belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The plan provides retirement benefits, including post-retirement 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 2004 and 2003, members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Village contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2004.

6. Risk Management

The Village belongs to the Ohio Municipal Joint Self-Insurance Pool (the "Pool"), an

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 and 2003

6. Risk Management - continued

unincorporated non-profit association available to municipal corporations and their instrumentalities. Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is deemed a separate legal entity. The Pool provides a program of property and casualty insurance for its members. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting for covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

The Village is insured for the following risks through the Pool:

Bodily injury and property damage Law enforcement liability Fire damage Personal injury Public officials liability

7. <u>Contingent Liabilities</u>

Amounts received from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Any disallowed costs may require refunding to the grantor. Amounts which may be disallowed, if any, are not presently determinable. However, based on prior experience, management believes such refunds, if any, would not be material.

Accountants and Consultants

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

Village of Amesville Athens County PO Box 190 Athens, OH 45711-0190

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Amesville as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated June 27, 2005, wherein we noted the Village followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits, we considered the Village of Amesville'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 an opinion 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 reportable 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 caused by error or fraud 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 control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village of Amesville's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, 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*.

Village of Amesville Athens County Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance and on Internal Control Page 2

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

Knox & Knox

Orrville, Ohio June 27, 2005

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003

Finding Number	Finding Summ ary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; Explain
2002-30705-001	Ohio Rev.Code 2949.091- not remitting amounts owed to the State	YES	
2002-30705-002	Ohio Rev. Code 733.40- not remitting amounts owed to the Village	YES	
2002-307050-003	Ohio Rev. Code 5705.41(D) - certification of fiscal officer	YES	
2002-30705-004	Ohio Rev. Code 149.351 -damaged or destroyed records	YES	
2002-30705-005	Ohio Rev. Code 5705.41 (B)- expenditures exceeded appropriations	YES	



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VILLAGE OF AMESVILLE

ATHENS 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 Babbrtt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED AUGUST 9, 2005