LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ROSS COUNTY, OHIO

Audited Financial Statements

For the Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Board of Trustees Liberty Township P. O. Box 151 Londonderry, Ohio 45647

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of Liberty Township, Ross County, prepared by Van Krevel & Company, for the audit period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2005. 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. Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Auditor's Report* on your financial statements. While the Auditor of State 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 Auditor's Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the Auditor of State 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. Liberty Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

May 11, 2007



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Independent Auditor's Report

Liberty Township Ross County P O Box 151 Londonderry, Ohio 45647

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Liberty Township, Ross County, Ohio (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. 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 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 reasonably 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 described more fully in Note 1, the Township has prepared these 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 (GAAP). 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.

Revisions to GAAP would require the Township to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. Instead of the combined funds accompanying the financial statements present for 2005 and 2004, the revisions require presenting entity wide statements and also presenting its larger (i.e., major) funds separately for 2005 and 2004. While the Township does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards require us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require townships to reformat their statements. The Township has elected not to reformat its statements. Since this Township does not use GAAP to measure financial statement amounts, the following paragraph does not imply the amounts are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to the non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

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In our opinion, because of the effects of the matters discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, 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 Township as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Also, 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 Liberty Township, Ross County, as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the Township to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. The Township has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 22, 2006, 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 grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. It does not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

/s/ Van Krevel & Company Dublin, Ohio

November 22, 2006

Combined Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements and Changes in Fund Cash Balances All Governmental Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

Governmental Fund Types **Totals** Debt Capital Memorandum Special General Revenue Service **Projects** Only Cash Receipts: Property and Other Local Taxes \$ 25,539 \$ 95,845 \$48,996 \$170,380 Licenses, Permits and Fees 570 19,350 19,920 59,097 113,202 201,872 Intergovernmental 29,573 Earnings on Investments 9,030 8,720 310 Miscellaneous 10,825 12,155 22,980 **Total Cash Receipts** 48,996 29,573 424,182 104,751 240,862 Cash Disbursements: Current: 74.834 General Government 72,580 2,254 **Public Safety** 35,693 35,693 Public Works 3,854 99,673 103,527 Health 47,463 47,463 Capital Outlay 17,587 29,573 47,160 Debt Service: Redemption of Principal 23,690 23,690 Interest and Other Fiscal Charges 25,306 25,306 **Total Cash Disbursements** 76,434 202,670 48,996 29,573 357,673 Total Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements 66,509 28,317 38,192 Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements) Transfers In 11,339 11,339 Transfers Out (11,339)(11,339)**Total Other Financing** Receipts (Disbursements) (11,339)11,339 Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements And Other Financing Disbursements 16,978 49,531 66,509 Fund Cash Balances, January 1 36,720 313,905 350,625 Fund Cash Balances, December 31 \$ 53,698 \$ 363,436 \$417,134 Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31

Combined Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements and Changes in Fund Cash Balances All Governmental Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

Governmental Fund Types **Totals** Special Debt Capital Memorandum Revenue **Projects** General Service Only Cash Receipts: Property and Other Local Taxes \$ 25,841 \$ 103,497 \$49,921 \$179,259 Licenses, Permits and Fees 605 16,650 17,255 Intergovernmental 102,134 184,025 53,691 28,200 Earnings on Investments 5,132 132 5,264 Miscellaneous 3,710 9,946 13,656 **Total Cash Receipts** 49,921 28,200 399,459 88,979 232,359 Cash Disbursements: Current: General Government 73,809 71,778 2.031 **Public Safety** 33,051 33,051 Public Works 3,874 96,136 100,010 Health 42,679 42,679 Capital Outlay 5,551 28,200 33,751 Debt Service: Redemption of Principal 23,690 23,690 Interest and Other Fiscal Charges 26,231 26,231 **Total Cash Disbursements** 75,652 179,448 49,921 28,200 333,221 Total Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements 13,327 52,911 66,238 Fund Cash Balances, January 1 23,393 260,994 284,387 Fund Cash Balances, December 31 \$ 36,720 \$313,905 \$ 350,625

Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2005 and 2004

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A Description of the Entity

Liberty Township, Ross 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, cemetery maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services.

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 the State of Ohio, 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 the State of Ohio.

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. The investment in STAR Ohio (the State Treasurer's investment pool) is valued at amounts reported by the State Treasurer.

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.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2005 and 2004

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D Fund Accounting (continued)

2 Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources (other than those from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Gasoline Tax Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

Road and Bridge Fund - This fund receives property tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

Cemetery Fund - This fund receives tax money used for maintaining the cemetery.

Fire Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax money and grants to continue to provide fire services to the Township.

Special Levy Fund - This fund receives tax money for maintaining and paying off the debt for the new fire station.

3 Debt Service Fund

The debt service fund is used to accumulate resources for the payment of bonds and note indebtedness. This fund is used to pay the debt issued to construct the Fire Station.

4 Capital Projects Fund

This fund is used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects (except those financed through enterprise or trust funds). The Township uses this fund to account for Issue II monies received and expended by the Ross County Engineer on behalf of the Township for road and bridge maintenance.

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. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2005 and 2004

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E Budgetary Process (continued)

2 Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received 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 in the subsequent year.

A summary of the 2005 and 2004 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.

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>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Demand Deposits	\$132,299	\$158,884
Certificates of Deposit	200,613	110,139
Total Deposits	332,912	269,023
STAR Ohio	84,222	81,602
Total Deposits and Investments	<u>\$417,134</u>	<u>\$350,625</u>

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

Investments in STAR Ohio are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2005 and 2004

3 BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2005 and 2004, are as follows:

		ed vs. Actual Rece	<u>ipts</u>
	Budgeted	Actual	***
	Receipts	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General	\$ 84,417	\$104,751	\$ 20,334
Special Revenue	216,334	252,201	35,867
Debt Service	48,996	48,996	-
Capital Projects	44,973	29,573	(15,400)
Total	\$394,720	\$435,521	\$ 40,801
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2005		al Budgetary Basis	<u>Expenditures</u>
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
	<u>Authority</u>	Expenditures	<u>Variance</u>
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General	\$106,002	\$ 87,773	\$ 18,229
Special Revenue	298,955	202,670	96,285
Debt Service	48,999	48,996	3
Capital Projects	29,573	29,573	
Total	<u>\$483,529</u>	<u>\$369,012</u>	<u>\$114,517</u>
	2004 Budget	ed vs. Actual Rece	ints
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	Budgeted	Actual	-
			i <u>pts</u> <u>Variance</u>
General	Budgeted	Actual	-
General Special Revenue	Budgeted Receipts	Actual <u>Receipts</u>	<u>Variance</u>
	Budgeted Receipts \$ 80,047	Actual Receipts \$ 88,979	Variance \$ 8,932
Special Revenue	Budgeted Receipts \$ 80,047 197,833	Actual <u>Receipts</u> \$ 88,979 232,359	<u>Variance</u> \$ 8,932 34,526
Special Revenue Debt Service	Budgeted <u>Receipts</u> \$ 80,047 197,833 49,923	Actual Receipts \$ 88,979 232,359 49,921	<u>Variance</u> \$ 8,932 34,526
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Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2005 and 2004

4 PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the 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 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 with the County by April 30 each year.

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

5 DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2005, was as follows:

		Interest
	<u>Principal</u>	Rate
Series 2001 - Fire Station Bonds	\$465,000	4%

The general obligation bonds were issued to pay the note issued in 2001 for the construction of the new fire station. The bonds are collateralized solely by the Township's taxing authority.

Amortization of the debt, including interest, is scheduled as followed:

Year Ending December 31

2006	\$ 44,305
2007	43,465
2008	42,585
2009	41,665
2010	45,725
Thereafter	489,125
	<u>\$706,870</u>

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2005 and 2004

6 RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Township's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost sharing, multiple-employer plan. This 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 2005 and 2004, OPERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2005.

7 RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township belongs to the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the "Plan"), an unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to approximately 500 Ohio governments ("Members").

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is deemed a separate legal entity for the public purpose of enabling its members to obtain self-insurance through a jointly administered self-insurance fund. 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 risk management needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements, and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the Member's deductible.

The Plan issues its own policies and reinsures with A-VII or better rated carriers, except for the portion the Plan retains. With policies effective September 1, 2002 and after, the Plan began retaining 5% of the premium and losses on the first \$500,000 casualty treaty and 5% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. With policies effective November 1, 2005 and after, the Plan began retaining 15% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 10% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. The individual members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member.

The Pool's financial statements (audited by other auditors) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31:

	2005	2004
Assets	\$8,219,430	\$6,685,522
Liabilities	(2,748,639)	(2,227,808)
Members' Equity	<u>\$5,470,791</u>	<u>\$4,457,714</u>

Complete audited financial statements for The Ohio Government Risk Management Plan can be read at the Plan's website, www.ohioplan.org.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Liberty Township Ross County, Ohio P O Box 151 Londonderry, Ohio 45647

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of Liberty Township, Ross County, Ohio (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated November 22, 2006, wherein we noted that the Township followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits, 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 an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control 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 of 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 course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operations that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to management of Liberty Township in a separate letter dated November 22, 2006.

Liberty Township
Ross County, Ohio
Independent Accountant's Report on Internal Control
Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in
Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

Compliance and Other Matters

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, contract and grants, non-compliance 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 an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

This report is intended for the information and use of management and the Board of Trustees and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

/s/ Van Krevel & Company Dublin, Ohio

November 22, 2006

Schedule of Findings December 31, 2005 and 2004

Findings Related to the Financial Statements Required to be Reported in Accordance with GAGAS

Finding - Improper Posting of Receipts

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.10 states that all revenue derived from a source other than the general property tax and which the law prescribes shall be used for a particular purpose shall be paid into a special fund for such purpose.

During 2004 and 2005, the Township posted numerous receipts incorrectly. Some were posted to the correct Fund but an incorrect category. However, there were also receipts that were not posted to the correct fund.

		<u>2004</u>	
Revenue Source	Amount	Recorded in Fund	Proper Fund
Ross County Auditor	\$3,358.91	Motor Vehicle Fund	General Fund
Ross County Auditor	2,848.11	General Fund	Gas Tax Fund
		<u>2005</u>	
Revenue Source	<u>Amount</u>	Recorded in Fund	Proper Fund
Ross County Auditor	\$ 103.21	Road & Bridge Fund	Cemetery Fund
Ross County Auditor	660.28	Cemetery Fund	Road & Bridge Fund

Improper posting of receipts leads to inaccurate financial information and in some cases understated and/or overstated Township fund balances. Inaccurate postings could also allow restricted funds to be used for improper purposes.

The accompanying financial statements have been adjusted for the above amounts, as well as the Township's records.

We recommend that the Clerk utilize the tax settlement sheets received from the County Auditor and other documentation when posting receipts to ensure they are posted to the appropriate funds and accounts.



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP

ROSS 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 MAY 24, 2007